

Selectboard present: Jack Spanbauer, Chair; Dan Gray; Jed Proujansky

Also present: Bob Markel, Interim Town Administrator; Sandra L. Wood, Town Secretary; Tyler Bourbeau, BNCTV

Others present: David Rainville, The Recorder; Nick Fleck, Conservation Commission; Tom Walker, Superintendent of Streets & Building Maintenance

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm

- **Citizens' concerns**
 - Late fees for licensing dogs: Per the town voted by-law, licensing dogs after the March 31 deadline will be subject to late fees.
- **Review and Approval of Warrants**
 - On a motion by Gray, seconded by Proujansky **the board VOTED unanimously to approve the** Payroll warrant of \$22,929.52
 - On a motion by Gray, seconded by Proujansky **the board VOTED unanimously to approve the** Vendor warrant of \$468,931.95
- **Review and Approval of Minutes**
 - On a motion by Proujansky, seconded by Gray the board VOTED unanimously to approve the minutes of 03/25/14 as written.
- **Summary of Interim Selectboard Meetings**
 - Spanbauer & Proujansky: 4/7/14 meeting with Finance Committee for final review of budget and annual warrant.
- **Summary of meetings attended by Selectboard members**
 - Spanbauer: site visit to Fox Inn & Stoneleigh Burnham School with Bob Pasteris of the Energy Committee and a representative from Sandri for wood pellet heating system.
- **Old Business**
 - Ambulance Agreements
 - K&P verified there was no increased liability on the EMS Department
 - **On a motion by Gray, seconded by Proujansky the board VOTED unanimously to approve the ambulance agreements.**
 - Town Administrator search
 - Markel has been in touch with Mark Morse and The Collins Institute. Both specialize in placing managers and have knowledge of municipal availability. He will contact both to meet with the Selectboard on 4/22.
 - FY15 Budget/Warrant Articles
 - The 38 articles were summarized.
 - Issuance of approved license to Northfield Golf Club Inc.
 - License was signed.
- **New Business**
 - HRA CDBG for 2015
 - The board agreed they would like to have HRA come in for discussion.
 - Open Space: letter to state on Kinder Morgan
 - Proujansky reported he has seen a map that shows the proposed pipeline north of the reservoir and would leave a 50 foot cleared swath. Some of the property is protected conservation land.
 - On a motion by Proujansky, seconded by Gray **the board VOTED unanimously to support the request to send a letter to the Governor.**
 - The board requested Markel write a letter of support for review at the next meeting.
 - Nick Fleck: Approval for the Stewardship Advisory Subcommittee of the Conservation Commission
 - Per Fleck, the Conservation Commission is looking to appoint a group to watch over the conservation restrictions. Discussion on the number of members and source followed.
 - On a motion by Spanbauer, seconded by Gray **the board VOTED unanimously to support the establishment of Stewardship Advisory Subcommittee with one member of the Conservation Committee, one member of the Open Space Committee, two members appointed by the Selectboard, one member appointed by the Conservation Commission and one member appointed by the Open Space Committee.**

- Appointments will be made in June.
 - Markel Contract Extension
 - On a motion by Gray, seconded by Proujansky **the board VOTED unanimously to extend Robert Markel’s contract six weeks from April 15, 2014 as Interim Administrator.**
 - Longevity issue
 - At the joint meeting with the Finance Committee on April 7, 2014 the Selectboard voted to a one time longevity pay increase of \$750 from 20-25years and a one-time longevity pay increase of \$1,000 from 26-30 years.
 - Letter of support for Civil War Monument grant
 - On a motion by Gray, seconded by Spanbauer **the board VOTED unanimously to approve the letter of support for the Civil War Monument Grant.**
 - Paid for with funds from the state and Community Preservation.
 - Tom Walker: Milling Quote for project on Rte 142 & Crushing Quote for project on So. Mountain Rd
 - Milling quotes from BDM/Arlington Paving @ \$.95 per square yard; Lane Construction @ \$1.00 per square yard; Garrity @ \$1.50 per square yard
 - On a motion by Gray, seconded by Proujansky **the board VOTED unanimously to award the project to BDM/Arlington Paving at \$.95 per square yard.**
 - Crushing quotes: RJ McDonald @ \$17,400; EW Sykes @ \$21,500; Baltazar Blasting @ \$23,999
 - On a motion by Gray, seconded by Proujansky **the board VOTED unanimously to award the crushing project to RJ McDonald out of Barre, MA @ \$17,400.**

• **Board and Committee Meetings/Announcements**

Date	Activity	Time	Place
4/9/14	Board of Assessors	4:45 pm	Town Hall
4/9/14	Historical Commission	7pm	Town Hall
4/15/14	Open Space Committee	7:30pm	Town Hall
4/16/14	Conservation Commission	7:30 pm	Town Hall
4/18/14	Council on Aging	9am	Town Hall
4/22/14	Energy Committee	5:30pm	Town Hall
4/22/14	Selectboard	7pm	Town Hall

- **Openings:** A number of committees and boards have openings. A list is available for viewing on the Current Openings page of www.northfield.ma.us and on the Town Hall posting board. Current opening for an alternate appointment to the ZBA; Wired West; Cultural Council; Emergency Services Facility Committee; Master Plan Roundtable; Town Hall Master Plan Committee; Council on Aging; Agricultural Commission; Building Use & Planning; Electronic Communication & Cable TV; Open Space Committee; Conservation Commission
- **Request for Use:**
 - **On a motion by Gray, seconded by Proujansky the board VOTED unanimously to approve the request from Ruth Gallagher of Loaves and Fishes for reimbursement of \$369.00 for emergency fuel.**

On a motion by Gray, seconded by Proujansky the board VOTED unanimously to adjourn at 7:46pm.

Recorded by Sandra L. Wood, Secretary

Selectboard Clerk Date Approved