

February 24, 2020

Northfield Town Hall
69 Main St

Selectboard Present: Alexander Meisner, Chair; Tracy Rogers; Heath Cummings

Also Present: Andrea Llamas, Town Administrator; Sandra L. Wood, Town Secretary; Kayla Drumgool, BNCTV

Others Present: Tom Walker, Highway Superintendent

- Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm
- **Citizens' concerns**-none
- **Review and Approval of Warrants**
 - 2/11/20 Payroll warrant \$64,270.81
 - 2/11/20 Vendor warrant \$63,049.77
 - On a motion by Meisner, seconded by Cummings the board voted to approve the warrants as read.
- **Review and Approval of Minutes**
 - On a motion by Meisner, seconded by Cummings the board voted to approve the minutes of 2/10/20 as written.
- **Business**
 - Tom Walker – Road Discussion
 - Walker explained the complications of the warming and cooling weather conditions affecting the roads, specifically the dirt roads in town. Measures taken to keep dirt roads clear of snow and ice differ from asphalt maintenance. Some of the dirt roads are not frozen. Repairs can't be made during the winter months. Sand/salt mixture can't be used on dirt.
 - Average cost is one million dollars per mile. Costs associated with road improvements and paving dirt roads include surveying, land takings, tree removal, and ledge blasting. Four Mile Brook and Orange Rd are the longest dirt roads.
 - Surveying and engineering to be done before actual work can begin. An annual article could be on town meeting warrant.
 - Summer plans: South Mountain Rd & Moody St culverts; grading, sweeping; head wall & box culvert repair; Gulf Rd guardrail and tree work
 - Last year's micro pavement work will be assessed
 - Department is down one truck
 - Walker would like an additional full-time staff member
 - 2020 Primary Election Warrant
 - Meisner read the 2020 Presidential primary warrant taking place at Town Hall on March 3, 2020
 - On a motion by Meisner, seconded by Rogers the board voted to sign and agree with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Presidential Primary document.
 - Town Meeting Warrant Articles/Budget update
 - Brief review of article list to date
 - Discussion on possible training event if board goes to 5 members
 - Vacation Request – Town Administrator
 - Form reviewed by the Board
 - On a motion by Meisner, seconded by Rogers the board voted to approve Andrea Llama's vacation time as written.
- **Town Administrator's update**
 - MVP kickoff meeting on Thursday
 - Municipal Aggregation approved. Compliance file to be submitted
 - Received signed 4-year Moody Center PILOT agreement

[NORTHFIELD SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES]

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- **Correspondence:**
 - Historical Commission
 - Annual Housing report
- **Appointments:**
 - On a motion by Meisner, seconded by Rogers the board voted to appoint Martha Morse to the 350th Anniversary Committee; term expires 12/31/23
 - **Re-appointment**
 - On a motion by Meisner, seconded by Cummings the board voted to re-appoint Sandra Campbell, Deborah Campbell, Pam Eldridge, Alice Fortier, Diane Fuller, Betty Gibson, Christine Harris, Carol Holden, Barbara Jacque, Bruce Kahn, Tom King, Susan LaCoy, Linda Leavis, Barbara Lemoine, Joann Newton, Bernhard Porada, Cornelius Putnam, Jerry Scott, Nina Sibley, Kay Snow, David Stone, Patricia Stone, Gail Stone, Al Stone, Pam Veith, Bethany Walker, Jessie Wiggin and Kathleen Wright as Election Officers; term expires 8/15/20.
- **Announcements-** Nonpartisan Caucus March 17, 6:30 pm
- **Proposed Agenda Items**
 - Update from Thomas Aquinas
 - TA evaluation

On a motion by Meisner, seconded by Cummings the board voted to adjourn at 7:15 pm.

Recorded by Sandra L. Wood, Secretary

Selectboard Clerk

3/9/2020
Date Approved