Town of Northumberland Board of Selectmen

Meeting Notice and Proposed Agenda

Date: Tuesday, September 3rd, 2019

Place: Town Meeting Room - 10 Station Square

Time: 6:30 PM

Select Board Members Present: Chris Wheelock Chairman, James Weagle, Michael Phillips.

Others in attendance: Al Rossetto, Glenn Cassady, Don Cheney, Peter Pelletier, Samuel Pennock, Jessica Pennock, Reggie Charron, Norm Cotter, Pete Marshall and recorder.

- **1. Chairman opens the meeting:** Chris Wheelock, Chairman calls the meeting to order.
- **2. Acceptance of Minutes:** Motion made to accept minutes with changes from August 19 meeting made by Jim, seconded by Michael, all in favor, 3-0. Nonpub minutes motion to approve made by Jim, seconded by Michael, all in favor, 3-0. Motion to approve August 5th minutes without changes made by Jim, seconded by Michael, all in favor, 3-0.

3. Selectmen Business:

a. Department Head Business: Highway and Water/Sewer

Glenn Cassady for Highway: Lots of August vacations. Prep work for Page Hill was done but got washed out, filled and back dragged holes. Rain is holding up progress.

Spoke to Ed Stanley Paving. He can come next week. Church St. needs intensive work. Sidewalks are key to the design so only the travel lanes will be done until sidewalks can be ripped out. Ed Stanley Paving quote \$13,000, Pike patch job \$12,000 to \$15,000. Pike really booked not available. More discussion on Cottage, Church, Rich and Pebble streets, as well as discussion on paving around the cook shack and up to the dugout at the Rec. Chris asks how much money to extend the pave, Glenn replies approximately \$4,500. Chris wants to be sure he can justify the reason why they are paving at the Rec instead of another street. Glenn mentions the amount in the Trust Fund is adequate to cover. Michael agrees Glenn should spend the money. Several streets and by the grocery store and Crow Hill to be done. Rich St. is resurfacing only for now, sidewalks later. Once the roads are done then winter sand supplies are next and hydrants.

Chris asks about the new plow truck. Supposed to arrive around Sept. 16th.

Glenn reports speed signs are up. Chris mentions the 4 Hour Only Parking sign, should the police patrol? Glenn has DO NOT ENTER signs have put \$1,800 worth of signs on that street. Chris mentions Park St parking, an issue? Glenn not sure has not looked. Chris says parking would be more convenient on inside. Glenn says can put more signs. Chris agrees that only 2 out of 30 residents have complained, do not want to overdue as most people seem to be ok with it.

Reggie – leaks, used old blueprints to find. There was a 1" corporation that was broke off, found it, replaced with ductile and thrust block. Reports that all lead and copper testing has come as within parameters, good. Chemical tests went well. Fitch engineers are setting up the variable speed drive for the high lift pump. A couple of hydrants need to be done, just need a chance to do. Avery did a nice job on sewer. Keith and Winston thoroughly cleaned the storm drains, pump stations, etc. Saved \$3,000. Good working relationship with Avery.

2010 Black Ford in for body work, should be done this week, approx. \$3100 to \$3200. Within budget.

Paving starts on Rt. 3 Thursday. Manhole risers need to be done before that. There are still some meters to do.

b. Open, discuss, 2019-2020 fuel bids received and award:

Chris opens bids from CN Brown, Irving and Al Beland.

Discussion on pricing. Selectmen choose to stay with CN Brown as they have done well and equipment would have to be changed to go with someone else. Little cost difference between CN Brown and Irving. Michael makes motion to stay with CN Brown, Jim seconds, all in favor, 3-0.

c. Announcement of new hire

Peter mentions incorrectly stated in minutes. Peter gives background on Zack Brown after inquiry from audience. Motion made by Jim to accept Zack Brown as new police officer, seconded by Michael, all in favor, 3-0.

4. Applications/Permits and Warrants:

- a. Request to have a yard sale by Relay 4 Life at the ballfield on Sept. 14, with a rain date of Sept. 21. Benefits the American Cancer Society. Jim makes motion to approve, Michael seconds, all in favor, 3-0.
- b. Intent to Cut: Richard Dupy, his property on Thomson Road. Motion to accept by Jim, seconded by Michael, all in favor, 3-0.
- c. Building Permit Application

Mario Audette of First St. 3' of paving by Central Paving for driveway. Paid fee, not signed by building inspector. Jim motions to approve pending signature of building inspector, Michael seconds, all in favor, 3-0.

Mark Arnold of Lost Nation Road, 22×26 shed. No electric or water. Metal roof, dirt floor. Fee paid, no building inspector signature. Motion to accept with building inspector signature by Jim, seconded by Michael, all in favor, 3-0.

Al Rossetto addresses Board with finding one application and not the other. Also needed to be sworn in. Board responds that he is sworn in and can now sign permits.

5. Public Matters To Be Addressed By The Board:

Precinct Meeting at Groveton Fire Station on Tuesday Sept. 17 at 6pm.

Motion to go into Non-Pub at 7pm by Jim, seconded by Michael, all in favor, 3-0.

Motion to come out of Non-Pub and back to Public at 7:10pm by Jim, seconded by Michael, all in favor, 3-0.

- **6. Public Session reconvened.** Motion made by Michael to accept back tax payment adjustment for a resident. Seconded by Jim, all in favor, 3-0.
- **7. Adjournment:** Motion made to adjourn at 7:12pm by Michael, seconded by Jim, all in favor, 3-0.

Next meeting, September 16, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Kathan Select Board Minute Taker

Minutes approved by Select Board Members on



Jim Weagle Northumberland Select Board Chair



Chris Wheelock Northumberland Select Board Member



Michael Phillips Northumberland Select Board Member