

Minutes
Nottingham Select Board Meeting
July 29, 2019

1 Call to Order

2 Members Present: Chair Tony Dumas, Tiler Eaton, Vice Chair Ben Bartlett, John Morin

3 Absent: Donna Danis

4 Chair opened the meeting at 6:30pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

5 Approve Manifests

6 **Mr. Bartlett made a motion to approve the accounts payable manifest of 7/30/19 and**
7 **payroll manifest from 7/29/19. Mr. Eaton seconded. Unanimously approved by a vote of 3-**
8 **0.**

9 Mr. Morin arrived at 6:33pm.

10 Approve Minutes

11 **Mr. Morin made a motion to approve the public minutes from 4/8/19 as written. Mr. Eaton**
12 **seconded. Unanimously approved by a vote of 4-0.**

13 Action Items from Last Meetings

14 Tax liens

15 BOS Reports from Assigned Boards/Committees

16 Marston Property

17 Mr. Sterndale said fundraising committee met last week. The outdoor concerts are being well
18 attended, Mr. Sorreff said. A mug will be for sale at the pancake breakfast on August 11 to
19 support the 300th celebration. 300th hats are on sale in town office as well.

20 Planning Board

21 Mr. Morin said there were two lot adjustments and they reviewed the plan on Rte 4 for housing
22 development (three structures with 4 attached houses and 2 individual homes).

23 Budget Committee

24 No meetings yet.

25 CIP

26 No meetings yet.

27 Zoning Board

28 No meetings.

29 Town Administrator Report

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The town budget was distributed. The state has stopped its bacteria testing at Nottingham town beach. Four tests are being and will still be done at the town beach, and the town is paying for that. Hiring is under way for after-school program. The before-care program is still being worked out. The clean out for the back building will be done next week.

General Business

Q2 Financial Recap

The road project money is currently unspent. Police cruiser will be purchased this month. Options will be given for upgrading the town hall at the next meeting. Accounting software (payroll service) may be bought soon. Recycling center may buy a holding unit for tires in Q3; a grant was received but it was not as much as they expected. Per diem fire fighting evening shifts is working well and response times are decreasing. Mr. Morin asked if we still need the cruiser; Mr. Sterndale said if they hire another officer, they will need that. Training for supervisors of checklist has not been determined yet and may be in either fiscal year.

Tax Deed Policy

Mr. Sterndale suggested the BOS decide how strict of a policy they want, when to tax deed a property, what benchmarks/triggers to be used (dollar amount owned, % of value, frequency/recency of payment).

Mr. Morin and Mr. Bartlett discussed if the dollar amount owed is better to do or % of value. Mr. Sterndale discussed what other towns do. Mr. Bartlett noted this may be particularly difficult for elderly and single families. Mr. Morin confirmed that while they may have criteria, they would still look at each individual case. The RSA states that after 3 years of non-payment, the town can put a lien on property.

Mr. Dumas suggested creating a list of triggers that the BOS can use to evaluate for deeding. Mr. Sterndale will create a list and will bring to a future meeting.

In the fall, BOS will be given a lists of liened properties.

Ledge Farm Road

Mr. Sterndale said more detailed engineering was done specifically on the sharp unpaved S-curve corner by Rocky Hill Road on Ledge Farm Road. An adjustment could be made for the curve as it is narrow, has ledge, and drop off into wetlands however it will still not be as straight as they had originally hoped. The engineers are estimating the cost to pave this section would be \$325k. Phase 1 would be from the end of the pavement from Rocky Hill Road to dry hydrant. Phase 2 would cost 500k from the dry hydrant to the town line and could be asked for in future years.

Mr. Bartlett asked how much further it would get the road paved if they started from the Epping town line. Mr. Dumas said they picked the S-curve to begin with because it's the worst section of the road.

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66 There was further discussion on safety and staging the road over upcoming years.

67 Mr. Sterndale said the plan is to send this out to bid and get bids back in the next three weeks. It

68 is possible the road will be closed and money could be saved from not getting flagger people.

69 Bids will also go out for other pavement projects at the same time (some of Canton, South

70 Summer, and Gerrish roads.)

71 Mr. Morin asked if they have to accept the lowest bid. It was confirmed they did not.

72 **Appointments**

73 **Review Action Items for Next Meeting**

74 July 29 minutes, tax deed policy

75 **Adjourn**

76 **Mr. Eaton made a motion to go into non-public per RSA 931-A:3 II a at 7:55pm. Mr.**

77 **Morin seconded.**

78 **Role call: Mr. Morin-yay, Mr. Eaton-yay, Mr. Bartlett-yay and Mr. Dumas-yay.**

79 **made a motion to adjourn the public meeting at pm. seconded.**

80 **Unanimously approved by a vote of 4-0.**

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