

**Minutes
Nottingham Select Board Meeting
July 30, 2018**

6:30 PM Chair Danis opened the meeting and asked all those present to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Donna Danis, Tiler Eaton, Charlene Andersen, Benjamin Bartlett

Absent: Anthony Dumas

Others: Secretary Dawn Calley-Murdough, Gwen Friend, Rebecca Hutchinson,

Approval of Manifest:

Motion: by Ms. Andersen, second by Mr. Eaton to approve the July 30, 2018 accounts payable and July 31, 2018 payroll manifests.

Vote: 4 – 0 in favor.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion: by Ms. Andersen, second by Mr. Bartlett to approve the public minutes of July 16, 2018, as amended and the non-public minutes of July 16, 2018, as written.

Vote: 4 – 0 in favor.

Select Board Department/Board/Committee Reports:

Budget: Chair Danis stated Mr. Sterndale attend the prior budget committee meeting and provided an update on the town 2nd quarter financials. The town is at 45% at the half point of the year and within acceptable budget amounts. .

Planning: None

300th: Mr. Eaton reviewed the committee sold hotdogs and hamburgers at the 1st Recreation Concert in the park, with great success and will be at the next concert. The committee is looking to purchase additional hats and t-shirts. Chair Danis asked to defer a decision about giving them more money until the Town Administrator returned.

Newsletter: Chair Danis distributed the draft newsletter article from the Select Board. Suggestions were made to include information on the PFOA water testing, election information, and a town financial update.

Town Administrator Reports, Mail, Signature Items:

General Business:

Appoint Inspectors of Election: Chair Danis asked for a motion to appoint inspectors of the election and stated anyone interested in working at the election should reach out to the Administration Office.

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Motion: by Ms. Andersen to appoint the following pursuant to RSA 658:2 and RSA 658:4, the Nottingham Select Board hereby appoints the following as Inspectors of Elections for a term of two years. Second by Mr. Eaton.

Ed Kotowski	Donna Zabloudil	Steve Capron
Gene Reed	Jean Covill	Teresa Bascom
Michael Bascom	Shannon Taylor	Kathy Brosnan
Rhoda Capron	Cheryl Smith	Sue Mooney
Jim Rohrer		

Vote: 4 – 0 in favor.

Ms. Calley-Murdough stated an additional list of people being appointed will come in the next month or so.

NHMA Policy Conference: The board reviewed the provided policy information from the NH Municipal Association (NHMA). Chair Danis asked if board members wanted to receive additional information on any specific topic.

Ms. Andersen asked to receive more information on the regulation of firearms, collective bargaining items, and the NH Retirement System. Mr. Eaton supported getting additional information regarding the collective bargaining items.

Chair Danis asked board member to continue to review the policy suggestions, utilize the included checklist to identify those topics they are strongly against, and those they might want additional information on.

General discussion took place regarding some of the proposed policy suggestions and possible purpose of legislatively supporting the topic.

Appointments:

7:00 pm – Rebecca Hutchinson State Representative Candidate: Ms. Hutchinson introduced herself as a long time resident of Deerfield. She is a former elected official for the Deerfield Select Board and Budget Committee, as well as other school and town committees, she was also a former legislator in 1996 and 2000. Ms. Hutchinson stated she has a varied work history giving her a broad background and knowledge of many types of work, including education, sales and the home health care profession, working in both the public and private sectors that gives her a well rounded and different perspective for being a legislator.

The primary reasons she decided to run is to support families, public education, common sense regulation, and public safety. She will be learning about how potential legislation might impact voter by actually talking to people.

Chair Danis asked how Ms. Hutchinson felt about a town's ability to make decision regarding local elections, such as the March 2018 elections and significant snow storm. Ms. Hutchinson stated she supported a town being able to make their own decision regarding the matter.

Chair Danis asked if there are other issues municipalities should be concerned about or aware of; what does a municipality not know about. Ms. Hutchinson stated she does not have a specific answer, but feels there is a lack of independence of children in the classrooms, appreciated and felt the process regarding the Northern Pass was appropriate for a community input, and feels it is the

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responsibility to represent the voters and learn more about the challenges affecting each municipalities. The job of a legislator is to support what the people want.

Chair Danis stated the board has had other candidates come in, but once they are voted in the town rarely sees them again and has difficulty even getting a return phone call. Ms. Hutchinson stated her customer service background doesn't support that type of response, it's important to get back to people you are supposed to represent.

7:15 pm – Gwen Friend State Representative Candidate: Ms. Gwen Friend introduced herself as a candidate. She is a current Nottingham resident, lived in Nottingham early in life and family moved to Massachusetts but visited her Nottingham family for a long time.

Ms. Friend stated she remembers helping the town take care the poor, and that made a big impact on her views. Her primary work experience is working in public housing, and she also went back to school to become a nurse. She decided to run for state legislature to do a better job of taking care of people and each other.

Ms. Friend stated she feels strongly that each town should have their own state representative, specifically for Nottingham, Deerfield, and Candia. She feels that representatives would be more responsive to their local communities with a better understanding of the local issues, and would make redistricting in a manner that is less political.

Important issues she want's people to know is that she is a democrat, feels strongly about taking care of each other, quality health care for all, keeping public tax dollars in the school system, supporting after high school education financially, home rule over state rule, common sense gun laws but also supports gun ownership rights. The state continuing to push additional costs onto towns, and the states dependence on property taxes needs to be addressed.

7:30 pm – Public Hearing to Amend Through Trucking Ordinance – Ledge Farm & Cooper Hill

Chair Danis opened the public hearing and asked for public comments regarding the addition of Ledge Farm Road and Cooper Hill Road to the Through Trucking Ordinance.

Ms. Friend asked for an explanation of the exemption that vehicles owned by a property owner performing work on their own behalf. Ms. Andersen stated an example of the exemption allows someone who lives on the road and uses large trucks for their work or personal business is allowed to drive on the road. The intent to prevent others from using roads as a short cut to access other areas.

Chair Danis closed the public hearing with no additional public comments.

Chair Danis reviewed that while the town recent traffic counts did not specifically identify trucks, there was a large amount of traffic, and trucks traffic can cause more wear and tear to the dirt roads. Chief Gunnar Foss supported the addition roads to the ordinance, but also expressed concern about the ability and the challenge for enforcement.

Motion: by Ms. Andersen to amend Ordinance #16-001 to include the roads Cooper Hill Road and Ledge Farm Road. Second by Mr. Bartlett.

Vote: 4 – 0 in favor.

Chair Danis requested that the necessary road signs were purchased and put into place.

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ADJOURNMENT: Having no further business,

7:36 PM Motion: by Mr. Eaton, second by Ms. Andersen to adjourn.

Vote: 4 – 0 in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn Calley-Murdough