

Town of Whitefield
Select Board Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2018, 6 PM

Present: Tony Marple, Bill McKeen, Lester Sheaffer, Charlene Donahue, Frank Ober, Administrative Assistant Aaron Miller, and Deputy Administrative Assistant Darlene Beaulieu.

1. The meeting was called to order by Chair, Tony Marple.
2. A motion was made and seconded to accept the January 2nd minutes as printed. Motion carried, 4-0.
3. David Spicer attended the select board meeting to hear road plowing and sanding complaints. Several people spoke about a comparison between Whitefield roads and nearby towns. Others spoke about the amount of sand and salt used, the quality of scraping and speed of the plow trucks, the width of the sand spread and preparing the roads when the school has early release. David Spicer asked that he be notified when the school calls for an early release. David Spicer responded by explaining that freezing rain varied from one part of town to the other. He also mentioned that no matter how much salt is applied, it does not melt ice in temperatures below 25 degrees. Spicer plans to use a higher concentration of salt on the difficult turns and hills. Spicer also commented that other towns are spending more money per mile for plowing and sanding than Whitefield. Road Commissioner David Boynton added that Whitefield is spending about \$3,000 per mile and Alna about \$5400 per mile. He said he thought the the job that Spicer and his crew were doing was very good for the money spent. Tony Marple reminded Spicer that the town could supply more salt and sand if it was needed.
4. Accounts payable and payroll warrants were signed by the select board.
5. Two tax abatements were signed by the select board per vote at previous meeting. Another abatement was signed to correct a billing error.
6. Job descriptions for administrative assistant and deputy administrative assistant were postponed until the next meeting.
7. Aaron Miller presented a General Assistance Report for the last quarter of 2017.
8. Farnk Ober reported that the new locks for the recycling center and town office have been purchased and will be installed soon.
9. The select board will meet at 5:30 on January 16.
9. A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0.
10. The following items will appear on the January 16th agenda:

Job descriptions
Budget

11. Motion was made and seconded to adjourn, Motion carried, 5-0

Tony Marple, Chair

Franklin A. Ober, Vice Chair

Lester Sheaffer

Charlene Donahue

Bill McKeen