MINUTES FROM NORTHFIELD VILLAGE BIENNIAL TOWN MEETING (10/29/2020)

The meeting was called to order on Zoom at 7:30 by Chair David Woodyatt and the following current Caucus members were present: Marco Aiello, Shelley Cohen, Barnaby Dinges (also present as trustee candidate), Jonathan Don, Kathy Estabrooke, Ericka Foster, Mark Gantner, Bill Gould, David Miller, Jerry Mulick, Keith Reed, Beverly Smith, Cricket Trutter Hauff and David Woodyatt. Also present were Charlie Orth and Tom Whittaker. Eleven current Caucus members were unable to attend the meeting. Other than appearances by the four candidates interviewed there were no other Village residents present.

After approval of the agenda, Chair Woodyatt explained the need to approve the Caucus Platform which had been recently duly amended by the Village Caucus. After a short explanation of such changes and upon motion to approve being made by Marco Aiello and seconded by Jerry Mulick, the attendees voted unanimously to approve the Platform as presented.

Chair Woodyatt then introduced Gregory Lungmus, Caucus’ candidate for Village President; and the three Caucus candidates for Village Trustees—Barnaby Dinges, Matthew Galin and Tracy Mendrek. All four of these candidates gave a short presentation on their backgrounds, experience and reasons they were interested in being Village candidates. Upon motion made by Cricket Trutter Hauff and seconded by David Miller to nominate Gregory Lungmus for Village President and the other three candidates for Village Trustees to be on the Village’s April 2021 Election Ballot, the attendees voted unanimously to approve such motion.

The Village has informed the Caucus’ Nominating Committee that it will receive petitions from those interested in the four open Village positions starting on December 14 through the end of business on December 21.

Chair Woodyatt then invited two current Village trustees, Charlie Orth and Tom Whittaker who were present at the meeting, to make any comments they had regarding the candidate selection process. They were both positive about the work the Caucus did in interviewing and selecting qualified candidates and that they were looking forward to working with them. They also complimented outgoing President Joan Frazier for the great job she has done during the 14 years she has served as Village President and Trustee; and that the Village is fortunate to have had, and continue to have, Village leaders who try to represent all Village residents in a fair and civil manner.

Chair Woodyatt opened the floor to any other questions or comments. Hearing none, upon motion made by David Miller and seconded by Kathy Estabrooke, those present at the meeting unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.

Prepared by Caucus Secretary, Keith Reed