

**Town of Effingham
Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes**

October 1, 2019

Selectmen present: John Meisner
Michael Cahalane
Chuck Fuller

Minutes transcribed by: Christine Holbrook
The Regular meeting was called to order at 5:00
The Mail, Manifest, Signature Folder and items in Action Folder were reviewed and read to public.
Pledge of Allegiance

MINUTES AND WEEKLY MANIFEST:

Mr. Meisner made a motion to accept the regular minutes of September 24th, 2019, Mr. Fuller seconded.
All in favor.

Mr. Meisner made a motion to accept the non-public minutes of September 23rd, Mr. Cahalane seconded.
Mr. Meisner made a motion to accept the manifest of September 29 -October 5th for \$23,488.54 Mr. Cahalane seconded, all in favor.

PROPOSED WORK SESSIONS AND DISCUSSION:

Work session for Monday, October 7 at 4:30

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Moselle Spiller and Jill Emerson from The Green Mountain Conservation Group gave a slide show on water quality in the town. Volunteers participate in collecting water samples from the Pine River, South River, Ossipee River, and Phillips Brook. All testing has shown good results except for the Phillips Brook near Boyle's Market. The group reminds residents to use best management practices and are always looking for volunteers and donations.

A letter from Steve Regal will be followed up by Chuck Fuller.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The new Transfer Station Policy is now in effect. Cash only will be accepted.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS AND REPORTS:

Mr. Meisner:

Paving companies are being explored to pave over the culverts on Green Mountain Road as Evans Bros. is not able to take on that project.

All State Materials was contacted about the pavement issues on Green Mountain Road.

A maintenance contract for compactors at Transfer Station is being explored.

Financial policies were signed.

Many applications have been received for the Police Chief position. He added, a misleading headline in the Conway Sun alluded to a Chief had been hired. To make it clear, the town is in the process of reviewing for a new Chief and has interim acting Chief Ian Mac Millan at this time.

Mr. Cahalane:

The town is interested in changing banks from Citizen's Bank to Bank of New Hampshire. The final decision belongs to Laurie Caldwell, the Treasurer for Town of Effingham. Mr. Meisner made a motion to recommend Bank of NH, Mr. Cahalane seconded, all in favor.

He attended the 6-town ambulance meeting where a commitment was signed to move forward to negotiate a contract with Action Ambulance. Mr. Meisner made a motion to move forward, Mr. Cahalane seconded, all in favor.

A housekeeping item was approved to the ROW Ordinance.

The Eversource settlement of \$190,000.00 over four years is still in negotiation, the settlement may be spread over four years through taxation.

Crushed gravel at Cherubini Preserve on Pine River Road and culvert paving is needed.

Mr. Cahalane made a motion to adopt a \$75.00 stipend to be used for footwear for Transfer Station personnel. Mr. Fuller seconded.

Estimates are being sought for catch basin clean up.

Mr. Cahalane made a motion to adopt the Governor Wentworth Regional School Proof of Residency, Mr. Meisner seconded, all in favor.

Mr. Fuller:

Mr. Fuller and Theresa Swanick attended a budget workshop. The Moose Grant was approved for \$10,000.00 for the Town Hall Project.

\$4,500.00 Grant money arriving for the Town Hall Project.

New Business:

Old Business:

Signs for Library have arrived and given to Library.

Public Comment:

Joe Haus from Gilmanton provided the Selectmen with information to contest tax rate to school.

Town Administrator Brian Burke reported a quote from Minute Man Press to process tax bills at a time and cost saving rate. Selectmen agreed.

Chief Ian MacMillan reported that small vehicles are crossing the closed bridge on Granite Road. He requested more barriers be put up. Selectmen will discuss at Monday's work session. He also reported the Police Department tech updates are moving along as planned.

NON-PUBLIC IF NEEDED PER (RSA 91-A:3, II ()) none at this time

Mr. Meisner made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Cahalane seconded, all in favor

Adjourned: 8:00

10/8/2019

Michael Cahalane

Date

Charles Fuller

John Meisner