

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

June 13, 2017

Selectmen present: Henry Spencer
Leonard Espie
John Meisner

Minutes transcribed by: Christine Holbrook

The Regular meeting was called to order at 5:00pm

The Mail, Manifest, Signature and Action Folder were reviewed: Selectman Spencer read the list of items from each folder to the public.

Pledge of Allegiance

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES AND WEEKLY MANIFEST:

The board approved the minutes of June 6, 2017. Manifest was approved in the amount of \$20,259.50

Selectman Spencer announced they will be attending a Public Hearing at 7 pm with the Zoning Board of Adjustment Town of Ossipee, concerning Westward Shores Campground.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Leo Racine from The Effingham Preservation Society submitted a letter requesting granite. Cheryle noted that there have been many requests. The town needs to get an estimate on what these slabs are worth before any decisions are made. Maureen Spencer noted that she has been waiting for 3 slabs for the proposed memorial at the Library for benches. Selectmen will explore the procedure to move forward.

Resident, David Straus from Jack Russell Road commented on a tree obstructing roadway, which he pushed to the side and contacted road telephone line. Selectman Spencer to look into it.

Maureen Spencer from the Library Trustees requested a new air conditioner for Library. Leo Racine offered to donate an air conditioner free of charge. Library gladly accepted.

She also added updates have been made on website for more information regarding free breakfast this summer and the new cancer network for area. NHeasy.nh.gov

Mike Cahalane brought up the burnt out building on Steven's Road and inquired on status and safety concerns. Selectman Spencer will look into it but may be property owner's responsibility.

PLANNED DISCUSSION WITH DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Highway Contractor Dig N Doze to be scheduled for Tuesday June 20 at 4pm
Selectman Spencer to speak at Effingham graduation next week at 6 pm.

Selectman Espie brought up the need for Effingham to appoint a representative to LRPC. To be moved to planning Board for discussion.

Selectman Meisner brought up the need of grading before calcium chloride application on roads but was concerned with cost of multiple grading in past months. Cheryle mentioned the grading on the short section of Granite Road. Selectman Espie stated all roads need touch up after heavy rains. To be discussed with Dig N Doze at next meeting.

The beaver situation is the responsibility of affected land owners to remove them. A letter to landowners will need to be sent. Trapping to be suspended at this time.

PROPOSED WORK SESSIONS AND DISCUSSION:

Road side mowing contract to be posted for 30 days

Hearing date for proposed \$20.00 fee for white goods, Selectman Meisner stated more information is needed for scrap prices and disposal. Work Session planned for Tuesday, June 27 at 5 pm.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS AND REPORTS:

Crack Sealing: Proposed crack sealing for Townhouse Road, Baily Rd , Highwatch Road and Old Pound Road.

Roadside Mowing: Contract to be posted for 30 days

Roads and bridges:

Jory Augenti wishes to thank Selectman Espie for quickly clearing brush at Nutter Rd and Rt. 153.

Salt Shed:

Chemicals ordered from A. H. Harris in Portsmouth NH . Mike Cahalane will pick up Thursday, June 15.

Culverts: Selectman Espie states that project is on schedule. Ekman Eng. awaiting permits. Cheryle will follow up.

NEW BUSINESS;

Selectman Meisner brought up the need for a new plan for metal at transfer station. Selectman Spencer to explore options.

Selectman Espie brought up the Lord's Hill Tavern violations in the Historical District and the need for policy enforcement.

Selectman secretary, Cheryle, stated that Gary Gagnon the heating contractor is scheduled to extract the pellet dust from silo within the week. Selectman Espie would like to be notified when he comes.

Also, she requested approval from the board to donate old shelving unit in men's restroom to nonprofit organization. Selectmen approved and item will be picked up.

PUBLIC COMMENT;

Tom Hart suggested weekly work sessions for selectman. Selectmen agreed and John Meisner made a motion for the 4th Tuesday of each month to meet for work sessions. Selectman Spencer second, all approved.

Mike Cahalane asked if town was rebidding on contractors for Steven's Road. Selectman Spencer waiting on Ekman Engineering.

Mike also asked about Granite Road Bridge status, no core sampling to be done on west side of Granite Road. No more money to be invested in cores.

Mike questioned the ZEO guidelines, Selectman Spencer explained it was between the Selectboard and ZEO.

WEEKLY DISUCSSION BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

Selectman Spencer clarified the town was not sued but an injunction was filed to stop the behavior of the Selectboard.

PUBLIC IF NEEDED PER (RSA 91-A:3,II (a-e)) none

Adjourned at 6:20 PM

Henry Spencer

Date

Leonard Espie

John Meisner