

TOWN OF EFFINGHAM
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES

March 25, 2014

Selectmen present: Henry Spencer
Timothy Eldridge
Lawrence Edwards

Minutes transcribed by: Gwen English

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

The Mail, Manifest and Signature folders were reviewed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Potter spoke, in light of the need for volunteers on the fire department, perhaps it should be suggested the school district offer an emergency medical responder program to students at the high school level. Selectmen Eldridge confirmed, the vocational technical program offers an emergency medical responder course.

Resident Pat Normandeau attended the meeting to gather facts regarding our contracted ambulance service.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Selectman Spencer reported he continues to wait for the interior of the attendants shed to be completed at the transfer station. Also, signage has to be considered some of which is required by the Department of Environmental Services.

Selectman Eldridge reported the roads are posted. The Effingham Conservation Commission will be hosting their annual Earth Day and Roadside Clean-up on Saturday April 26th. Tim also reported a meeting to begin discussions on a regional ambulance service is schedule for Thursday March 27th @ 7pm at the Freedom Town Hall. He will attend for informational purposes.

Selectman Edwards asked about machinery he heard running at Fire Station #2. Chief Burbank reported it is the air compressor which supports the air brake system for the fire truck.

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES and WEEKLY MANIFEST

The Board approved the Minutes of March 18th and the weekly manifest.

OLD BUSINESS

The Board signed the Life Star Ambulance contract. The contract is for one year of service at \$96,000 beginning April 1st, 2014.

Selectmen Eldridge recommended the Board consider installing an Automatic External Defibrillator at the Library and the Municipal Office Building as a matter of Public Safety and Welfare.

The Board voted unanimously to contract with White Mountain Survey to assist in preparing a paving proposal for the top coat on Town House Road.

Selectmen Eldridge introduced, in draft form, the salt shed manager job description for review by Board members. The person selected for this position will be responsible for oversight on the construction of the new salt shed. Tim would like to get this project underway as soon as possible.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board voted unanimously to appoint Johanna Vienneau and Erik Jones as alternate library trustees.

Selectmen Eldridge asked Board members to review and recommend performance expectations to be added to the winter road contract.

The Board discussed compiling a road grading plan to be added to the Summer Road Contract and an inventory of roads with areas that typically experience erosion so the Board can plan for this year's roadwork. Selectman Edwards agreed to compile a list for the Board. Former Selectman Theresa Swanick reminded everyone of the Road Management Plan which UNH drafted for the town. She suggested perhaps Selectman Edwards could review it and add local input to the finalization of the document which could serve as guide to road maintenance management.

PLANNED DISCUSSION

Fire Chief Randy Burbank reported the heating system was installed at Fire Station Two. He discussed with the board installing a small on demand hot water heater and removing the larger hot water tank to reduce electrical costs. Also discussed was new member recruitment.

The Board adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm.

Henry Spencer, Selectman

Date

Timothy Eldridge, Selectman

Lawrence Edwards, Selectman