

**TOWN OF EFFINGHAM
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES**

April 19, 2016

Selectmen present: Henry Spencer
Lawrence Edwards
Leonard Espie

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NON-PUBLIC:

The Board entered into non-public at 3:00 pm to discuss properties likely to be tax deeded for year "2012". Non-public adjourned at 3:50pm.

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

The Mail, Manifest and Signature and Action Folder were reviewed.

Pledge of Allegiance

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES and WEEKLY MANIFEST

The Board approved the minutes of the April 12 and April 15 meetings and the weekly manifest in the amount of \$20,153.83.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mike Cauble asked if there is an updated on the abandoned house next to his property, he stated the front and back doors are wide open. Town Administrator reported the Town's Attorney has started the next step in the process.

Jennifer Murphy asked the Board if Plantation Road was scheduled for application of calcium chloride. Selectman Spencer responded that currently none of the roads have been scheduled. The calcium chloride will be applied with half the amount on (2) two separate applications. The Road Contractor will be contacted to set up the schedule.

Mike Cahalane asked the Board for a clarification on the offer from HEB Engineering to assist in doing the RFP for the Steven's Road Bridge. Selectman Spencer responded he felt confident the Board could do the RFP and the Board has been working on a draft at their work sessions. Selectman Spencer stated the project will have Engineering oversight.

Maureen Spencer wanted to know when the sand removal will take place at the Library parking lot. The cost estimate was received today for all (3) three parking lots and the landscaper will be contacted to schedule the sand removal. Maureen announced that the CPR course being held on Friday, April 22 at 4pm is full and the town's road side cleanup will take place on Saturday April 30 meet at the Municipal Office at 8:00am for road assignments, there will be a BBQ at noon. Maureen stated that she has been sworn in as one of the Trustee for the Silent Poor Trust and Cindy Espie and Paul Potter need be sworn in.

PLANNED DISCUSSION:

Zoning Enforcement Officer met with the board for her monthly meeting. She reported that her hours are now changed to 5pm - 6:30pm. Things have been quiet in town, giving her the opportunity to check around town and see what may be going on building wise.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS AND REPORTS:

Selectman Spencer reported on a FEMA "Hazard Mitigation Grant" lecture he attended. The information he obtained from this lecture would be beneficial to use for applying for replacement of the too small culvert on Molly Philbrick Road. Our Town Administrator reminded the board that Fire Chief Burbank is familiar with this particular grant. Chief Burbank applied for this grant to replace the culvert on Town House Road and those funds were awarded.

Selectman Edwards and Selectman Espie will be attending a workshop, Keys to Compliance: Erosion Control, Sediment Control and Stormwater Management on May 6th in Concord.

Selectman Spencer will meet with the Town's Attorney on May 29 in Manchester on the Camp Marist issue.

Selectman Edwards reported on the Province Lake Association meeting that was held on Friday, April 15. In attendance was DES, UNH, Water Shed Alliance, Selectman Espie and himself.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion took place on the RFP draft for the Steven's Road Bridge. The town needs to wait until they have approval from DES before proceeding with sending the final RFP out for bids.

Scheduled has not been set to start the work at the Transfer Station. This work includes removing hot top, drainage and repaving.

The Town's Road Contractor will be contacted to order some cold patch to fill in pot holes on town roads.

"No Trespassing" signs need to be ordered and put up at the Salt Shed. It was agreed that (2) 18" signs are needed.

The future Granite Road Bridge project was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion took place around relocating "Weight Limit" signs closer to the beginning of roads. This will allow more time for a truck driver to take a different route. Posts will need to be ordered and installed for signs to be relocated.

Selectman Espie reported on the spring cleanup of town owned cemeteries. In his report he noted a large tree came down in the Bryant Cemetery. He asked if there was a possibility of using funds from a specific trust to remove this tree from a private cemetery.

Selectman Edwards reported on the Road Contractor using the disc blower to clean ditches on roads and how cost effective it is.

The Board appointed Dennis Villeneuve as Library Trustee for one year until March 2017.

David Strauss asked the Board if the plan is to increase the Bridge width on Granite Road and if so does the town own enough land there. Selectman Edwards stated all of that will have to be researched prior to making that decision.

Mr. Eric Potter gave a little history about Andrew Bryant being born in Effingham and later becoming mayor of San Francisco, CA.

Selectman Spencer wants to place flags at cemeteries when Greg Douglas does. Selectman Spencer talked about the possibility of reaching out to Ossipee's Health Office for assistance with a complaint on Old Pound Road. Mr. Spencer resides on that road and feels it may be a conflict.

Tom Thompson confirmed meeting on Molly Philbrick Road for April 22 at 9:00am and asked who would be attending. The Board will meet at his home and walk the areas that are marked off and answer any questions. Tom asked the Board who is the current contact person on the Board for the roads; Selectman Spencer will remain the contact person until further notice.

Rep. Ed Comeau announced there will be a work session on Saturday April 23 2pm at Mountain View Community about the Carroll County Agricultural Learning Center only. Those residents that have concerns or interests should attend.

WEEKLY DISCUSSION BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN: None

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Date:_____

Henry Spencer

Lawrence Edwards

Leonard Espie