

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

**February 19, 2019**

Selectmen present: John Meisner  
Leonard Espie  
Michael Cahalane

Minutes transcribed by: Claudia Lamphier

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

The Mail, Manifest, Signature Folder and items in Action Folder were reviewed and read to public.

Pledge of Allegiance

**REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES AND WEEKLY MANIFEST:**

Mr. Meisner made a motion to accept the minutes of February 5, 2019, Mr. Cahalane seconded, all in favor.

Mr. Meisner made a motion to accept the manifest of February 17-23 for the amount of \$11,049.49, Mr. Espie seconded, all in favor.

**PROPOSED WORK SESSIONS AND DISCUSSION:**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**MEET THE CANDIDATES February 27, 2019 6:00 pm at the Town Offices**

**Civic Awards will be February 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 after Selectmen's meeting.**

**The 2019 warrant was signed.**

**Selectmen:**

**Mr. Espie:**

Mr. Espie reported water was in containment unit for oil container at Transfer Station.

Oil will not be accepted till problem is resolved.

**Mr. Meisner:**

Mr. Meisner made a motion to accept the new multi- year contract with Evans brothers. The contract amends the two remaining years as the bonding agent required revision for remainder of term.

Mr. Meisner discussed going back to monthly meetings with department heads. Road Contractor on second meeting of month. Zoning and FD on the third meeting of month. Police and Transfer Station as needed.

He also reminded Selectmen to be cautious when commenting in public as comments may be misconstrued.

The Board decided that frost heave signs are not needed all over town.

**Mr. Cahalane:**

Mr. Cahalane reviewed the timeline of events of soil contamination at Transfer Station. The report was received January 25<sup>th</sup>. HEB was contacted right away. Mr. Cahalane visited with HEB on February 18<sup>th</sup> to discuss the bridges and transfer station issues. DES notified Town that wells within 1000 feet of Transfer Station must be tested. Mr. Cahalane extends testing to 1250 feet, HEB is notifying residents affected.

DES permit # 1988 05021 project # 555. DES suggests possible contamination is from class B foam used on a fire at transfer station last year. Fire Dept reported they only use class A foam. Results will take 90 days, extension possible if necessary. Regular landfill monitoring has always taken place.

He had a discussion with Susan Slack about voting machines being used sometime in the future. He also stated that if zoning ordinance was removed the town would not be able to secure FEMA flood insurance according to Jennifer Gilbert of Mr. Cahalane would like to include residents with paving knowledge when putting together the specs for next paving project.

**Public Comment: by appointment**

Eric Jones approached the Board about plowing issues on road. Mr. Cahalane spoke with Evans Brothers about having a dedicated truck with no salt. Evans also reported they were down two trucks which have been repaired. A plowing schedule was discussed and new driver will be instructed to be careful of mailboxes.

Chuck Fuller presented the Board with a proposal agreement between the Preservation Society and the Town. The Preservation Society will be a fiscal agent for funds contributed to Town Hall Project. Fire Chief Randy Burbank has purchased the radios that have been funded by FEMA grant.

**New Business:**

NON-PUBLIC IF NEEDED PER (RSA 91-A:3, II(a-e))

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Espie, Mr. Cahalane seconded, all in favor.

Adjourned 6:45pm

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Michael Cahalane

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Date

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Leonard Espie

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John Meisner