

Town of Effingham

Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

December 11, 2018

Selectmen present: John Meisner
Leonard Espie
Michael Cahalane

Minutes transcribed by: Christine Holbrook
The Regular meeting was called to order at 4:00PM

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 December 4, 2018, Mr. Espie seconded, all in favor.

Mr. Meisner made a motion to accept the manifest of December 4, 2018 for the amount of \$22,539.32, Mr. Espie seconded, all in favor.

PROPOSED WORK SESSIONS AND DISCUSSION:

Work Session scheduled for Monday, December 17, 2018, 4:00pm to discuss budget items.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Transfer Station will be closed Wednesday, December 26th

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Resident Lawrence Edwards commented on icy road conditions on Champion Hill Road. Mr. Meisner responded there will be signs going up. Dig & Doze had been contacted about the situation on the road previously, more work is needed on that road to deal with ongoing ice. Mr. Cahalane added he had spread sand and salt on the ice over the week end.

State Rep Ed Comeau presented the Board with a petition warrant article for Town Meeting calling for an elected budget committee for school district.

Mr. Cahalane asked him about increasing funding for the bridge aid program. He replied he will look into the backlog and legislative changes.

Chief Randy Burbank brought up an issue of an unmaintained driveway of a bed ridden resident in town. He wanted to know if there was a way of notifying resident to keep a safe passage for emergency vehicles if they had to answer a call. The Selectmen will look into the proper notification process.

Randy announced the new radios will be in after January.

He also reported an increase in visits to Green Mountain Recovery Center. Selectmen suggested a meeting with the facilities director.

Mr. Espie:

He reported The Winter Roads Contractor went out to sand Clough Road due to a complaint from a resident. They will ask him to revisit the roads at end of week where warmer temperatures are expected.

Mr. Espie made a motion to close Transfer Station December 26th. Mr. Cahalane seconded.

Mr. Meisner:

Mr. Meisner reported he had contacted F.R. Carroll.

He will talk to Claudia about carry over money.

Mr. Cahalane:

He reported the HEB bid package will be extended to January 15, 2019, recommended by Chris Fournier HEB Rep. The contract allows for extension. Mr. Cahalane made a motion to follow advice of HEB, Mr. Espie seconded, all in favor.

Public Comment:

None at this time

Budget Review:

Freedom Food Pantry seeking level funding, \$5,000.00. Selectmen thanked them for their work and reminded them to reappear January 8, 2018 before budget committee.

Library Trustees appeared before the Board to discuss their budget, they requested a new budget worksheet for future with more specific items. There seemed to be some confusion over the information being requested. Budget review was postponed so they could compile the data.

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

Adjourned 6:30

Michael Cahalane

Date

Leonard Espie

John Meisner