

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

December 15, 2015

Selectmen present: Tim Eldridge
Lawrence Edwards
Henry Spencer

Minutes transcribed by: Cheryle A. Feirick

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

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

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES and WEEKLY MANIFEST:

The Board approved the minutes of December 1, 2015 and weekly manifest in the amount of \$20,797.61.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Resident Tim Murphy stated he doesn't see an issue with the previously mentioned encroachment on Molly Philbrick Road properties. Resident Tom Thompson offered to take a walk with anyone on these properties that are in question.

Resident Dan Felix reported the road way behind the triangle at Henry Drive, Huntress Bridge Road and Province Lake Road is in need of road maintenance and asked who is responsible for this maintenance the Town or the State. Selectman Spencer will get in touch with State of N.H. D.O.T. regarding the repair of this area.

PLANNED DISCUSSION WITH DEPARTMENT HEADS:

The Road Maintenance Contractor reported all roads are in grade shape. Granite Road reconstruction is scheduled to be completed by Friday, December 18 no later than Monday, December 21.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS AND REPORTS:

Selectmen reported the following:

The plumber will be contacted to get a confirmed date to install the hot water system at Transfer Station.

Supplies for roof over fuel tanks at Library have come in from Home depot at \$50.00 (fifty dollars) less than his previous contact. He stated that he doesn't have time right now to do this and suggested the Select board look into someone else. Selectman Spencer will contact Joel MacLeod to do the job.

Selectman Spencer reported all necessary roads have been graded.

Select Edwards asked that Selectman Spencer contact winter road contractor about setting the sanders for dispersing salt and sand per D.O.T. specs. Show them the section of Plantation Road (Sanborn) property to avoid with the wing.

OLD BUSINESS:

An auction took place on Saturday, December 17 with only one party showing up. The property did not sell because it didn't meet the minimum bid. The Select board is going to wait until the Spring and go through a real estate sale.

An auction of town owned property located at 192 Elm Street is being held on December 17th at 10:00 am at the Municipal offices.

Demolition of a town owned structure on School Street will start on December 17th per Lee at Danley Demolition.

NEW BUSINESS:

Board of Selectmen voted not to have a Selectmen's meeting on Tuesday, December 29, 2015.

Representative Chris Fournier from HEB Engineers reported on the inspections of all 4 red lined bridges, Stevens Road, Granite Road, Snow Road and Drake Road. He provided written reports to the Board of Selectmen and the Town of Effingham for review. He gave a breakdown of recommendations on replacement of bridges and explained that there are monies available through an accelerated bridge fund that is available to the N.H. D.O. T. The inspections and reports were done at NO charge to the Town of Effingham. Selectman Eldridge stated that the Select board will meet and review the report. If further questions arise through this meeting they will contact HEB Engineering. The bridge report will be posted on the Town's website. During a Selectmen's meeting in public session there will be further discussion on the recommendations from the bridge report.

A majority vote was made to carry over to 2016 the amount of \$232,998.00 for mini pumper truck and \$3,600.00 to complete the 2014 audit.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Owner and Chief Executive Director Eric Spoffard spoke about the Green Mountain Treatment Center proposed on the grounds of the former Lakeview facility. He currently runs the Granite House and Recovery First in Derry NH, along with New Freedom Residential in Canterbury, NH. They currently have a signed agreement with the owners of the property to run a 30 day treatment center in the main campus only for men and women. He expressed specific guidelines for an individual to be accepted into the program. This is a program for self-motivated individual not a locked facility. Chief Operating Officer, Kurt Madden spoke on a "prescreening process" before one can be accept to the program. Clarified it is not a Methadone clinic; treatment works on a 12-step model. Selectman Edwards requesting a copy of a pre-screening form. This is a profit, limiting liability business.

NON-PUBLIC: None

WEEKLY DISCUSSION BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

Ongoing Budget Meetings

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm

Timothy Eldridge

Henry Spencer

Lawrence Edwards

Date: _____