

# **Town of Effingham**

## **Board of Selectmen**

### **Meeting Minutes**

June 5, 2012

Selectmen Present: Susan Slack  
Theresa Swanick  
Henry Spencer

Minutes transcribed by Dianne Park for Claudia Lamphier

Meeting called to order at: 6:35pm

There was a motion by Henry, seconded by Theresa to enter into a non-public session to discuss with a town resident a payment plan for back taxes. Public Session resumed at 6:45pm.

The Mail, Manifest, and Signature folders were reviewed.

Gary Gagnon Jr., Duchesne Heating of Ossipee, NH gave an update on the installation of the wood pellet boiler. Supplies are on order and everything is complete except for the domestic hot water. Gary requested a change in the contract re the hot water heater. He had chosen a US made brand to meet grant requirements even though it was not a preferred brand. Since then it has been learned that there is a federally granted waiver for the preferred unit. There is no change in the cost. There was a motion by Theresa, seconded by Henry to cross out the wording 'Bradford white hot water heater...' and add 'peak on demand unit'. Theresa recommended taking out the insulation in the boiler room ceiling (fouled from previous leaks) and having the spray foam company coming to insulate the thermal storage tank make suggestions for possibly adding spray foam insulation to the roof. Randy Burbank and Henry will remove the boiler room ceiling insulation tomorrow morning.

#### **Public Comment**

Emelyn Albert of the Effingham Conservation Commission (ECC) told the Selectmen that the ECC voted to expend \$1,000.00 to the Province Lake Association for Milfoil Protection. Restoration of these funds will be requested next year on a separate warrant article at town meeting. Harry Libby is going to walk the property on Pine River Rd. and give the ECC his assessment. The ECC will make a future recommendation to the Selectmen.

David Elliot was the low bidder on the contract for roadside mowing. The contract is for \$9,878.87 for brush cutting and removal. The contract was signed and dated by the Selectmen.

Jim Morris gave an update on the outdoor Farmers Market that will be opening June 16th at Boyles' Market from 9:00am – 1:00pm.

Selectman Slack updated the board on the change in date for Plan NH. The new date is Saturday June 23, 2012 at the Historical Society.

There is an Energy Forum Meeting this Friday, June 8, 2012 starting at 6:15pm.

Andy Hubbard spoke about the roads in town cracking. He brought up this subject last year but nothing has been done. Susan explained that there is no money in the budget for fixing road cracks but the Selectmen intend to consider this for next year's budget process. In Andy's opinion the worst roads in town are: Old Pound Road., Town House Road., Elm Street. and Green Mountain Road.

Randy Burbank, Effingham Fire Chief, had a contract for the new Forestry Truck for the Selectmen to sign. There was a motion by Susan, seconded by Theresa to approve the new Forestry Truck. All were in favor. The town fire extinguishers are being done tomorrow. The town is being charged for 1 visit with a separate charge for each extinguisher.

There was a motion by Theresa, seconded by Henry to approve the Manifest. All were in favor.

There was a motion by Theresa, with a second by Henry to change last week's minutes. Theresa will give Claudia all the changes and the minutes will be signed next week with a clean copy. There was a motion by Henry, seconded by Theresa to approve the minutes from last week with corrections.

Henry gave an update on the Waste Conference he attended. There was more concern about down-stream management than individual town waste management. He mentioned hearing about using a back hoe to crush construction waste. Henry will give the board a write-up on the conference. Theresa will set up a meeting with the Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA) on the recycling process.

There is no contract yet with Nate Perkins on the installation of thermostats. Nate wants the contract but wants the contract completely filled out and all costs listed up-front before he will sign.

#### **Library Trustees – Carol Pfister and Maureen Spencer**

Carol and Maureen gave the Selectmen suggestions on what needs to be done at the Library.

- Children's Room needs carpeting
- Lighting upgrades
- Electrical upgrades
- Meeting Room – Paint top of wainscoting and windows
- Mason's asked to paint Library entrance

- Front door needs fixing (not weather tight)
- Water heater needs to be replaced
- Bathroom heaters are broken
- Septic needs to be located and pumped
- Windows and glass in the tower need to be put back into place
- Decorative railing in tower needs to be re-installed

Carol will get estimates to replace the carpeting in the Children's Room and the behind the circulation desk.

The Selectmen want a breakdown on the lighting. (lighting vs. receptacles). There was a motion by Henry, seconded by Theresa to approve spending up to \$1,550.00 to fix walls and paint the meeting room. All were in favor.

The Selectmen agreed to let the Mason's paint the Library entrance. Maureen will be in touch with the Mason's and ask them to contribute to fixing the front door. Selectmen asked the Library Trustees to be in touch with the Historic Commission on fixing the front door and steps. Carol will meet with Mike Cahalane.

The hot water heater will be turned off and replaced. Estimates will be gotten for alternate heating in bathrooms.

The Planning Board is asking the Selectmen if they have any priorities for 2012. Susan is getting information on temporary driveway permit and will be in touch with the Planning Board.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.

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Susan Slack

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Theresa Swanick

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Henry Spencer