

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

November 20, 2012

Selectmen present: Susan Slack  
Theresa Swanick  
Henry Spencer

Minutes transcribed by: Claudia Lamphier

Meeting called to order: 6:30 pm

The Mail, Manifest and Signature folders were reviewed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chief Butts updated Selectmen on the regular business of the Police Department.

Leo Racine reported on some conditions on Town House Road that he felt were of concern and should be looked at. Selectman Slack plans on meeting with the road contractor to look at these conditions.

Deputy Emergency Manager, Bill Piekut reported that FEMA is only reimbursing for planning activities related to the last storm that was declared a disaster. He further reported that planning activities were minimal and his opinion was it was not worth filing for reimbursement.

Randy Burbank reported that heating unit at fire station 2 was serviced and needed a part replaced. It was noted that the furnace is outliving the useful life of the unit. Randy will price heating units. Randy reminded all that the fire department is sponsoring a holiday get together and those attending are expected to bring a dish. There is a public health meeting to review strategic planning to be held at the County Delegation room on the 29<sup>th</sup> that he will be attending.

**SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

Selectman Slack attended the NRRRA luncheon meeting. She reported they are looking into the feasibility of having one location for all recyclables.

Selectman Swanick attended the Local Government Center conference. She spoke with Adam Clark with NRRRA about proposed changes at the transfer station. She also brought back some information about a structure for consideration to replace the salt shed and some information about coming changes with the NH retirement system.

Selectman Spencer attended the presentation held to discuss results of area water quality testing. He also attended the annual Thanksgiving presentation given by the elementary school students. Selectman Spencer has spoken to coordinators at Tri-County CAP regarding the lack of transit services available to Effingham residents. He is particularly upset that he encouraged support from townspeople for funding this agency only to find that the promised service is not being offered. Also, the weather stripping on the front door of the Library has been completed.

## **REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES and WEEKLY MANIFEST**

The Board approved the Minutes of October 30<sup>th</sup> and the November 13<sup>th</sup>. The weekly manifest was approved after removing payment of two checks related to fire department business. Those checks were given the Fire Chief and he will deal with the parties involved.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Upon review of submitted budgets, the Board will request meetings with the police department, the fire department, the zoning enforcement officer and the town clerk/tax collector.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

A written request by a property owner for abatement of penalties assessed on his tax bills due to his late submission of inventory forms was denied. The property owner will be informed of the decision.

## **PLANNED DISCUSSION**

The Board discussed proposed improvements to the transfer station. Further information will be acquired about equipment and logistics for further discussion at a later date.

The Board looked at several budget requests and discussed any concerns or questions which arose.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

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Susan Slack, Selectman

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Theresa Swanick, Selectman

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Henry Spencer, Selectman