

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

December 4, 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**

Marilynn Maughan spoke to the Board about her budget. She requested the Board put a warrant article on the 2013 Warrant to request voter approval for a trust fund to be set up to purchase a voting machine. She noted that the number of voters is increasing each year and with a trust fund the Town can accumulate the necessary funds over a number of years. The Board agreed to put the warrant article on. There is only one type and make of voting machine approved for use by the State of New Hampshire.

Randy Burbank has secured an estimate of the cost to replace the current heating system at Station #2. The estimate is \$7,900. Randy reminded all that the Christmas party for office staff and fire department members will be held on Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. Randy has placed a collection box for children's coats in the hallway of the municipal offices. He has requested the owners of Joe Jones, a business which recently had a fire, donate some coats that are being sold at a reduced price in a fire sale.

**SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

Selectman Swanick visited a transfer station in Lebanon Maine. The visit brought questions to mind which she will be getting information on from a contractor who has been assisting the Board with proposed changes to the transfer station.

Selectman Spencer has found with follow up that Plan New Hampshire is still interested in working with the Effingham historic district. He reported that work is ongoing at the Library. The first floor is being painted and carpeted.

Selectman Spencer and Randy Burbank attended an RCC meeting. These sessions plan and prepare for public health hazards.

All Selectmen agreed to allow Police Chief Butts to contact the Town's attorney for general information when needed.

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

The Board approved the Minutes of November 27<sup>th</sup>. The weekly manifest was approved.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Selectmen reviewed budgets that have been submitted.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

The Board unanimously approved the following carry over amounts to apply to previously contracted services: Assessing software support, \$2400; Tax Collect software support, \$1980; Assessing contracted services, \$25,956.69.

### **PLANNED DISCUSSION**

Budget requests and Selectmen's budget item discussion.

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