

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

September 12, 2016

Selectmen present: Henry Spencer
Lawrence Edwards
Leonard Espie

Minutes transcribed by: Cheryle A. Feirick

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES and WEEKLY MANIFEST

The board approved the minutes of the September 6, meeting and weekly manifest in the amount of \$25,489.05.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Resident Jory Augenti asked the board if the roadside mowing was completed; Selectmen Spencer will get an update and report at the next meeting.

Resident David Strauss stated he reviewed the bids, they seemed to be similar; he noted one of bids Michie Corp mentioned they would provide a crane for installation of the culverts others didn't. One bid had some information missing (incomplete). The lowest bidder did not include a bond, no list of supplies and materials to be used and no references; this could be a considered an unacceptable bid. David stated the original plan was to have engineering oversight, is this still the board's plan? Selectman Spencer responded the board's plan is to have engineering oversight.

Resident Jory Augenti stated where the lowest bidder was Dig & Doze, since they already work for the town, maybe they don't need another bond.

Resident John Meisner asked for the amount HEB was proposing for replacing the Steven's Road Bridge; the amount was \$320,000.00, paving was included. The board initially requested from the budget committee \$260,000.00 without paving, then at town meeting it was dropped down to \$210,000.00. No paving will be done on the bridge or Steven's Road. To date \$32,800.00 has been spent on the project.

PLANNED DISCUSSION WITH DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Highway Contractor was unable to attend.

SELECTMEN’S COMMENTS AND REPORTS:

Selectman schedule for Election Day: Selectman Espie 8 am to 4pm, Selectman Edwards 12 pm to close and Selectman Spencer 8am to 12 pm and 4pm to close.

Discussion took place on the RFP for Elm Street bridge maintenance. Has the board received DOT and DES requirements for bridge maintenance; Selectman Edwards stated no permits are necessary if not working in water; the scaffolding would be attached to the bridge not erected in the water. Cindy from Stoney Ridge Environmental could possibly be of assistance on this project. The board will be meeting with Cindy on Wednesday and will talk to her about this.

Selectman Spencer stopped by the Library/Town Hall last Saturday and spoke with Greg from Limerick Steeplejacks. He was there to work on the roof replacement and Greg stated the final stage of roofing was not completed when the building’s roof was done. The Steven’s Road fire structure, a wall and debris concern from the public. Selectman Spencer will look into any RSA for fire structures. The board is looking for how much many has the town spend to Molly Philbrick since Dig & Doze has had the project? Selectman Spencer would like this amount to present to the Town’s people as proof to close the road. The board has received an estimate from Lakes Region Paving for \$33,000.00 for paving the library parking lot.

A question was asked of Selectman Edwards on when the rail would be cut at the transfer station for the scrap metal container; Selectman Edwards suggested instead of cutting the rail, place 2X10’s in the area to level the surface for the container. Discussion on putting salt and sand contracts out to bid, Town Administrator stated this is an operating expense, not a special project. Claudia stated the town has never at one time paid out \$15,000.00 for this material. This process has worked for years; a suggestion was made the board should continue with this process. Claudia will get the cost per ton to the board for the next meeting; she also said that Evans Bros. uses the sand out of their pit. Resident John Meisner brought up the Town of Ossipee did use Morton for salt but decided to go with a different vendor. Selectman Spencer said the board will do some homework for salt and sand to include delivery costs.

Selectman Edwards suggested the town set a reasonable amount to be paid for residents bringing large amounts of construction material to the transfer station. A situation was given by Selectman Edwards and he was told the resident paid the town for a full container. The resident wasn’t aware so much material would be involved from his recent demolition of his property. The rule of thumb in town is a contractor must supply a container of their own when doing demolition. Selectman Espie and Mark (transfer station manager) will be meeting with other towns to see how their system works. Selectman Espie will reach out to Jason Earle regarding railing for the front steps.

Safety Committee meeting has been rescheduled to Tuesday September 20, 2016 at 4:00pm.

PLANNED MEETING: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

John Meisner suggested the board look into Sunday Paving and Sealing out of Wolfeboro for paving projects; Ryan is the individual to speak to.

David Strauss asked if the board was planning on doing the library parking lot and painting the building for next year's budget. He reminded the board he did work on locating individuals who write grants and presented that info to the board, where has that gone? Selectman Spencer responded one individual was not interested in writing the grant, another one is too busy. He did mention a member of the public offered to write a grant for the library/town hall but doesn't nowhere this is at. David Strauss offered to pursue other grant writer, and present his updated information to the board.

Selectman Spencer mentioned possibly installing a mirror on a pole at the transfer station, for residents to use when they are exiting. Good for safety reasons, he will follow up.

NON-PUBLIC IF NEEDED PER (RSA 91-A:3 II C) Personnel matter

Selectman Spencer made a motion to go into non-public, Selectman Espie seconded, roll call taken, all in favor to go into non-public at 6:35 pm.

WEEKLY DISCUSSION BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN: None

Motion was made to seal the minutes-Employee and Legal. Selectman Spencer made motion, Selectman Espie seconded, roll call all in favor. Motion made by Selectman Spencer to come out of non-public, return to public at 7:20 pm, Selectman Edwards seconded and roll call all in favor.

Adjourned @ 7:25pm

Henry Spencer

Date

Lawrence Edwards

Leonard Espie