

TOWN OF EFFINGHAM
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES

September 10, 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

Ron Witham asked if Selectman Spencer was able to find more information about transportation alternatives provided by the Tri-County CAP. Selectman Spencer reported that he stopped to obtain information but was unable to find anyone who could provide thorough information.

Jonathan Burbank gave his weekly fire/rescue calls report.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Selectman Swanick reported that TRC has approved the invoice submitted to them for reimbursement of payments related to the new wood pellet heating system. The invoice and supporting documentation will be forwarded to the Office of Energy and Planning.

The Board and some personnel were given an orientation for maintenance of the wood pellet burner and the new water system. During the presentation made by Gary Gagnon he noted that the propane line is usually yellow. Selectman Spencer will be painting the pipe yellow as a way to designate the pipe carries propane into the building.

Barbara Thompson discussed with Selectman Slack that the Agricultural Commission is having trouble finding recruits for Commission members and alternatives. She is wondering how the Commission would go about decreasing the number of alternatives necessary. Selectman Slack requested she write the Selectmen a request to add a warrant article for the March 2013 Town Meeting to address this with the voters. The Agricultural Commission has discontinued the weekly farmer's market for the year.

Emelyn Albert reported that the Conservation Commission will accept a parcel of land

currently owned by the Town of Effingham which has no road frontage, on the shoreline of Province Lake. Town meeting voters will be presented with this option.

Four properties sold at the auction held last Saturday. All four properties combined provided revenue of \$16,500.

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES and WEEKLY MANIFEST

The Board approved the Minutes of September 4th and the weekly manifest.

OLD BUSINESS

The State owned forestry vehicle, now in Moultonborough is ready to be picked up at any time. Fire Warden Thompson will pick it up himself, or assign the task to another warden or assistant warden.

NEW BUSINESS

Selectman Spencer will be inspecting the Town roadsides with David Elliot to approve payment for the annual roadside mowing contract. Mr. Elliot secured the project through the bidding process.

PLANNED DISCUSSION

The Board has obtained some examples of capital assets policies. They will be reviewing them to see what may be extracted to develop a policy for Effingham. This is one of the many issues to be addressed before the Town can be considered compliant with guidelines set forth by the Government Accounting Standards Board. Town owned properties have been a major hindrance in compliance. Many required elements in a complete inventory of town owned properties cannot be extracted from available data. The Town's auditor has made some suggestions which have been presented to the Board. The Board will move forward with overseeing the process of becoming compliant with the Standards Board requirements.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Susan Slack, Selectman

Date

Theresa Swanick, Selectman

Henry Spencer, Selectman