

**Town of Effingham
Board of Selectmen
Public Hearing**

May 30, 2018

Selectmen present: John Meisner, Leonard Espie and Michael Cahalane

Minutes transcribed by: Michael Cahalane

Others present: William Klotz, Eva Klotz and David Strauss

Public Hearing for a Barn Easement: Call to order 6:00pm.

Eva Klotz explained why she and Bill felt the Board should grant tax relief for the barn and out buildings on the property known to the public as "Farm by the River". Discussions around the properties history and contributions to the community continued at length.

David Strauss asked the Board several questions regarding RSA 79-D and the Discretionary Preservation Easement. David was concerned with if the Board intended to require repairs and how they would be verified if required. David felt the tax payers would be investing in the property if relief was granted and their interest should be accounted for by the Board.

The Board noted the high visibility of the property and it is presently a working farm, as well as the many years of contributions to the community thru the abundant agricultural uses conducted on the property.

The Easement was tentatively approved, the hearing was continued to 5:30pm on June 4, 2018, awaiting clarification of information provided from Avitar Associates of New England, the towns assessing firm.

Motion to adjourn by Selectman Espie, second by Selectman Meisner, all in favor.

Adjourned 7:25pm

Date _____
