

Town of Effingham

Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

September 4, 2018

Selectmen present: John Meisner
Leonard Espie
Michael Cahalane

Minutes transcribed by: Christine Holbrook

The Regular meeting was called to order at 5:00pm

The Mail, Manifest, Signature and items in Action Folder were reviewed and read to public.

Pledge of Allegiance

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES AND WEEKLY MANIFEST:

Mr. Meisner made a motion to accept the minutes of August 28, 2018 with correction of fire station 1 not 2, under Mr. Meisner's comments., Mr. Espie seconded, all in favor.

The manifest was approved for the amount of \$315,279.56 all in favor.

PROPOSED WORK SESSIONS AND DISCUSSION: none at this time

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next week's Selectmen's meeting will be on Monday September 10th 5:00 pm due to Election.

Selectmen acknowledged the number of complaints from residents about the brush being left on the side of road from roadside mowing. Mr. Meisner reported he called the roadside mowing contractor before the meeting and the brush will be cleaned up.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Cahalane addressed an email he had received about the process of hiring a Town Administrator. He responded by explaining it is The Board's responsibility to fill positions. The hiring is an on-going process and three people were interviewed. Any further discussion would be inappropriate at this time and reminded the residents that it is not an elected position. Extensive discussion ensued concerning the procedure.

Victoria Kirkwood requested the ruts be raked out of her driveway on Green Mountain Road. Selectman Meisner replied he would talk to contractor.

Heidi Foy as well as others asked when the roadside mowing contractor will pick up debris left on the side of the roads. Selectman Meisner replied he had contacted the contractor before meeting and they will be going back to pick up debris after they finished mowing.

Linda Edwards requested a dead tree be removed on Champion Hill Road.

Chris Seamans also brought to Selectmen's attention a dangerous tree down on Town House Road.

Victoria Kirkwood then asked about responsibilities of Town and Eversource to take care of branches and trees in wires. Mr. Espie responded if it is three feet from wires, Eversource will come look at it.

Gary Dean asked about paving schedule on Green Mountain Road. Mr. Meisner replied they will finish culverts then paving will begin soon after. Mr. Dean asked about grading schedule, Mr. Meisner responded grading will begin after the Green Mountain culvert installations are completed.

Several comments were made about police schedule, Mr. Cahalane responded the schedule varies and they are often out conducting business but service is always available. Claudia added they often work detail in other towns as well to supplement revenue to Effingham.

Mr. Fuller gave an update on his ongoing efforts with the Library building. He has created a matching grant application from The NH Preservation Society. The next public meeting will be on September 19th at 6:00 pm at the library. He asked if the Selectmen had reviewed the contract received last week. Mr. Cahalane made a motion to accept contract from Christopher P. Williams, architect. Mr. Espie seconded, all in favor.

Carol Pfister, Trustee of the Trust Funds, inquired about having the old Town Hall Meeting Reports digitized and available on town website. Selectmen agreed it was a good idea and welcomed her to take on the project.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS AND REPORTS:

Mr. Espie:

He will check into complaint received on 10 Granite Road about water run-off.

Mr. Meisner:

Mr. Cahalane:

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OLD BUSINESS:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Augenti asked about the park model trailer. He thought it should be a Zoning Board issue as well as enforcement. Selectmen will investigate further into the situation.

NON-PUBLIC IF NEEDED PER (RSA 91-A:3, II(I)

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

A copy of the previously mentioned e-mail under public comments is attached.

Adjourned 7:15

Michael Cahalane

Date

Leonard Espie

John Meisner