# TOWN OF EFFINGHAM

# BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

February 4, 2014

Selectmen present: Henry Spencer

Timothy Eldridge Theresa Swanick

Minutes transcribed by: Claudia Lamphier

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

The Mail, Manifest and Signature folders were reviewed.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Deanna Amaral, Town Clerk/Tax Collector reported that there continues to be 3 properties with outstanding 2010 taxes. These properties will be deeded to the Town before the end of the month if those taxes have not been paid.

Sheila Jones reported that the Effingham submission to the Ossipee Valley Chamber of Commerce visitor's guide has been completed and submitted.

# SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Selectman Spencer reported that the transfer station project continues to moving ahead with some minor delays caused by the necessity to coordinate with several contractors.

Selectman Eldridge spoke with his fellow Board members again about reviewing the Selectmen's Policies and Procedures he has drafted and proposed be adopted.

Selectman Eldridge has started reviewing road paving specifications.

The Governor Wentworth Regional School District held the annual deliberative session over the weekend. Selectman Eldridge noted that the District's budget increased this year, which will increase property taxes in Effingham.

The Conservation Commission and the Historic District Commission would both like to improve their respective sections of the Town's website.

A lifelong member of the community, Muriel Taylor has recently passed away. She was believed to be the oldest Effingham resident at 102 years old.

#### REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES and WEEKLY MANIFEST

The Board approved the Minutes of January 21st January 28th and the weekly manifest.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

The Selectmen will request that Bill Piekut share his findings regarding pricing of road materials with the UNH Tech2 Center, so they can more closely customize the report they produced for Effingham.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

A meet the candidates night is being planned. There is only one contested race this and that is for the office of Selectman.

One of the computers in the modular unit of the Municipal Office Building has been making noise.

#### PLANNED DISCUSSION

Police Chief Butts attended for his regular monthly meeting. He reported that the workload of the department has decreased minimally. Selectmen discussed the need for a replacement vehicle for the current black and white unit. Several options were discussed with Chief Butts, who has completed extensive research on makes and types of vehicles presently used by law enforcement that are able to accommodate the necessary police vehicle equipment.

Selectmen entered into a non-public session to discuss a personnel issue, at 6:00 pm and resumed public session at 6:15. They then reviewed the 2014 Warrant draft.

Selectmen adjourned at 6:40 pm but stayed to attend the annual Budget Public Hearing.

Henry Spencer, Selectman	Date
Theresa Swanick, Selectman	
Timothy Eldridge, Selectman	