

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

May 10, 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 May 3 meeting and the weekly manifest in the amount of \$21,450.30. Selectmen questioned ticket discrepancies on Waste Management statement; they will review with Town Administrator.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mike Cauble reported on photographs he took of the abandoned house next to his property. Mike understands that the Zoning Enforcement Officer did her inspection today and asked for the Fire Chief and Health Officer do a site walk as well. All information collected will be forwarded to the Town's Attorney.

David Strauss asked the Board for an update on Camp Marist. Selectman Spencer reported there has been a hearing date scheduled with Superior Court is next step.

PLANNED DISCUSSION:

Fire Chief Burbank met with the Board for his monthly report. He reported a structure fire Sunday at 4:30 am on Province Lake Road. Structure was saved; engines 1 and 3(new trucks) were used; everything went smooth, great dispatch and response from mutual aid. Hoses on Engine 2 will be tested and some hoses will be replaced.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS AND REPORTS:

Selectman Spencer announced new maps of the Town's Historic Districts are here in the meeting room, Historic Commission's office, Town Clerk's office. There is a digitized version in the Selectmen's office, along with paper copies. The Commission is in the process of having them available on the Town's website.

Road Contractor was contacted about a blocked culvert pipe on Pine River Road, around (280). The damage to the culvert was caused by a beaver.

A reminder was made that on Monday, May 16th at the Remick Museum, 7:00pm will be another work session open to the public on the Carroll County Agricultural Learning Center.

Selectman Edwards has not heard back from Engineering Firms that could do core sampling with prices. He will have info for May 17th meeting. It was clarified that core sampling is separate from testing that was done for DES by Stoney Ridge. No update from Stoney Ridge on permit that was submitted.

Discussion took place around ground work that will be done at transfer station. Statement was made that “**DIG SAFE**” must be contacted before any digging is started.

Repair of handicap walkway in front of Municipal Building was discussed. The discussion included on whether the walkway would be replaced cement or asphalt? Asphalt would be the best option since salt used in the winter doesn’t eat it away. Cost estimates will be available at the May 17th meeting.

Selectman Espie has been obtaining GPS coordinates at the Town’s cemeteries.

Selectmen Espie and Edwards attended the May 6th Erosion Control workshop. They learned of a DOT approved method of reviving culverts. The method is a plastic sleeve that is placed inside an existing metal culvert, this saves time and money. This would allow the road to still be in use because the road would not have to be dug up. Selectman Edwards will supply the office with brochures, so we can establish a file from this workshop.

OLD BUSINESS:

Selectman Edwards reported on inspection done on modular building: Skirting on exterior needs replacing, replace vent pipe, replace ceiling light in egress and entry in Police Department, replacement of back door and all lighting in Police Station. Due to limited storage space for Police Department, the Board recommended Chief Butts submit a request to the board to purchase a storage unit. Selectman Espie will contact the Town’s carpenter to take care of light in entryway of Police Department.

NEW BUSINESS:

Selectman Espie reported that Mellisa Seamans attended the LCIP workshop that ended today. Mellisa stated to Lenny that she is willing to write the grant at NO Charge to the Town of Effingham. Suggestion was made when hiring a grant writer a contract be written up to include these specifics.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

David Strauss reported that grading has not been done on West Range, Jack Russell and Libby. He wanted the Board to be aware because of the elimination of these roads last year. David did some research using data, maps, conversations with zoning members and Lisa Scott, Registry of Deeds on the right of ways on town roads. He referenced RSA 239.91 giving the town the right of way to maintain and for safety hazard on town roads. David provided a report to be copied for each individual Selectman.

Ralph Thompson asked if the revival (Liner) could be usable on the Snow Road Bridge. Ralph also referenced the HEB report of 12/1/2015, noted there are currently 4-6' corrugated culverts on Snow Road.

Erik Jones-touched on Library parking lot suggesting that the Board select an advisory board to work on this specific project.

NON-PUBLIC IF NEEDED PER (RSA 91-A:3, II (a-e)): None

WEEKLY DISCUSSION BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

Discussion of Town Owned Property

Adjourned @ 7:30 pm

Henry Spencer

Lawrence Edwards

Leonard Espie

Date: _____