

Town of Eddington

906 Main Road Eddington, Maine 04428

SELECTMEN'S MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15th, 2015 MINUTES

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Wireless Telecommunications Ordinance Changes

Russell Smith opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. Gene Kelso was elected and sworn in as Moderator. Article #2 was read by Moderator, no questions or comments were made by voters, the Article passed. Special Town Meeting was adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE: Joan Brooks called the meeting to order at 6:04p.m.

ROLL CALL: All Selectmen present, except C. Baker, Jr. A motion was made, seconded and passed to except the absence as excused. **M. Shepherd / P. Lyford** **Vote 4-0.**

MINUTES: Minutes of November 17th, 2015 – Motion to approve as written.

P. Lyford / M. Carreira **Vote 4-0.**

Mtg. of December 1st, 2015 – Motion to approve as written. **M. Carreira / M. Shepherd** **Vote 4-0.**

PUBLIC ACCESS: There were no public comments made or questions asked at this time.

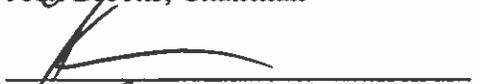
PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS:

Fire: Chief Ellis submitted and reviewed his reports from November. Chief Ellis and Lt. Russell will go to Florida, for the final inspection on the new Fire Truck, the first week in January. Chief wishes everyone a Merry Christmas.

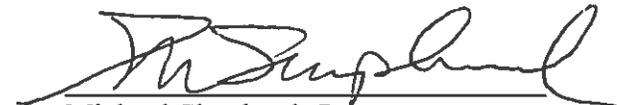
Police: Deputy Chris Watson submitted his report for November. Deputy Watson said things were fairly normal for the season, except that more deer are running around with the lack of snow on the ground. He wished everyone a good and safe Holiday.

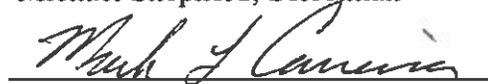
ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT: Copies of November report were given to board members.


Joan Brooks, Chairman


Charles Baker, Jr., Selectman


Peter Lyford, Selectman


Michael Shepherd, Selectman


Mark Carreira, Selectman

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT: Rusty Gagnon spoke about the RSU #63 Building Evaluation Study (includes all 3 schools) The first part of the study was to determine if they are up to code, and if not, they will come up with a projected cost to bring the buildings up to code. Cost benefits should be completed by June, 2016.

"The second part will include an evaluation of the educational adequacy of the three school buildings. At that time, program deficiencies that require renovation or addition will be discussed. In addition, additional analysis of the cost benefits between a major renovation project at each school or a single school will be evaluated." - Rusty Gagnon.

Rusty informed the board that four Buses need to be replaced and that the RSU is looking into options, and the possibility of Federal Funding.

There will be a slide show presentation at the January 25th board meeting, at the Holbrook School, on how school funding comes to us. She encouraged folks to attend. The 2014-2015 Audit Report will be presented at the same Board Meeting. The 7th Grade Creative writing class has ten students that will be considered for entry in a competition for a publication in a hardbound book. Last year Eddington resident Rebecca Gideon won an award for her entry on "What Veterans Day Means To you."

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

WARRANTS: A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign warrants.

M. Shepherd / M. Carreira Vote 4-0.

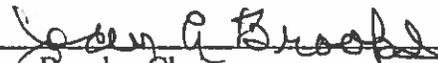
PUBLIC ACCESS: Selectmen, Peter Lyford, mentioned the recent Ceremony, joining several local communities across the state, with the Flags across America Program. Lyford commended Municipal Clerk and Resident, Denise Knowles, for a job well done as Denise was the person who put the ceremony together.

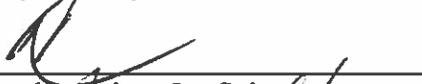
Selectmen, Mike Shepherd asked if there were a Veterans Memorial Committee in the works to take care of certain duties and upkeep of the memorial. Shepherd expressed an interest in being part of such committee praised the Baillargeon family for their dedication and diligence to the upkeep and various duties handled to date. Shepherd stressed that a committee should be formed to alleviate some of the tasks that are always taken care of by the Baillargeon and Badger families. More information to follow.

Frank Arisimeek stated that the Town of Eddington makes poor business choices, yet keeps on spending. He feels they need to make better decisions by letting more business in to cut down on welfare. Rusty Gagnon reiterated her information and support of school consolidation, as a way to save some money in the community. She encouraged him to attend some of those meetings as well.

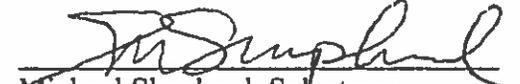
ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

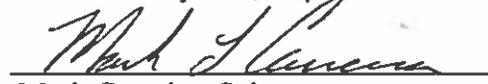
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