

Town of Eddington

906 Main Road Eddington, Maine 04428

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TUESDAY, AUGUST 18th, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.

Joan Brooks opened the Special Town Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Article 1 was to choose a moderator and David Johnson was nominated and sworn in.

Article 2 was to see if the voters will authorize the Town to borrow \$1,100,000 through the bond bank to refinance the town's outstanding debt of approx... \$781,000 and finance the new fire truck purchase of \$315,000. Copies of the warrant were available at the meeting and will be attached to the minutes.

Resident, Gretchen Heldmann, asked if the bond could be modified in the future to include other payments if the case arises. Russell explained that yes it could.

The special town meeting was closed at 6:07 p.m.

SELECTMEN'S MEETING TUESDAY, AUGUST 18th, 2015 MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE: Joan Brooks called the meeting to order at 6:07p.m.

ROLL CALL: All Selectmen present.

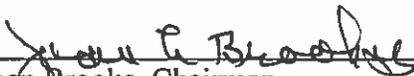
MINUTES: Minutes of August 4th, 2015 – Copies to board - held until next meeting.

PUBLIC ACCESS: Resident Greg Boober mentioned the recall petition regarding Joan Brooks and said he would support it because in his opinion, she cost him over \$50,000.00 in court due to septic and easement issues. Boober felt that Joan being a soil scientist should know the rules of the state.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS:

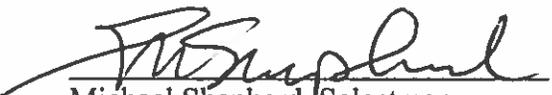
Fire: Chief Ellis submitted reports for June and July. The department has averaged a call per day, over the past two months. Ellis spoke about the two new live-in students, they are all moved in and getting settled. Penobscot County Fire Academy is off to a great start this week, part of it being held at our station, with three of our own members attending, to get their Fire-fighter 1 & 2 certifications.

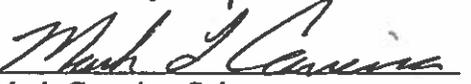
Police: Deputy Chris Watson gave his reports for the months of June and July. No major incidents to report, he has been basically running traffic, especially on route 46, due to the freshly paved road.


Joan Brooks, Chairman


Charles Baker, Jr. Selectman


Peter Lyford, Selectman


Michael Shepherd, Selectman


Mark Carreira, Selectman

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT: Report copies from June and July were given to board members.

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT: Rusty Gagnon informed us that the first meeting of the academic year was going to be on September 28th at 6:30 at the Holbrook School. The primary speaker will be the new superintendent, Ken Smith. Gagnon commented on a few new teacher positions, highlighting Eddington's own firefighter and resident, Kristen Russell, who is at the Elementary school.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Recall Petition

Attorney Letter – The letter verified that the petition was legal the way it was written.

Resident Letter – A letter from resident Gloria Faulkner, in support of Joan Brooks, was read aloud by selectmen Baker. **A motion was made, seconded and passed to have it entered into the record.**

M. Shepherd / P. Lyford. Vote 4-0.

Decision – The Board agreed to set the date for recall election. Recall Election on Tuesday 09/29/2015.

NEW BUSINESS: Maine Bond Bank Paperwork:

A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign the arbitration and use of proceeds policy.

P. Lyford / M. Shepherd Vote 5-0.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the resolution authorizing issuance of \$1,100,000 Bond.

P. Lyford / M. Carreira Vote 5-0.

Planning Board Resignation – **A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the resignation of Tom Vanchieri, with regret.**

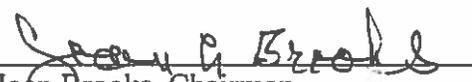
C. Baker, Jr. / M. Carreira Vote 5-0.

Planning Board Appointment - **A motion was made, seconded and passed to appoint David Peppard to regular member and David Johnson as an alternate.**

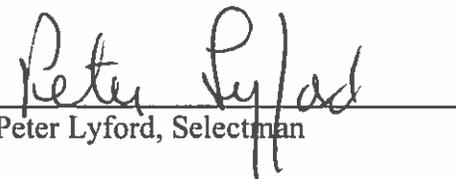
P. Lyford / M. Shepherd Vote 5-0.

Approve Tax Assessor letter of denial of abatement request - **A motion was made, seconded and passed to deny the request by EMERA Maine for abatement and to have our tax assessor issue a formal letter of the denial, to EMERA.**

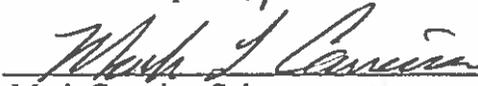
M. Shepherd / P. Lyford Vote 5-0.


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OTHER BUSINESS – Free Disposal of Banned, Unused Pesticides (info only, no action needed)
MRC Quarterly Dividend - Amount received was \$4,682.35 (Info Only, no action needed)

WARRANTS: A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign the warrants for August, 2015.
M. Shepherd / C. Baker, Jr. Vote 5-0.

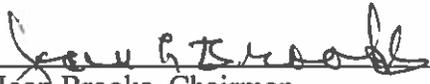
PUBLIC ACCESS: Resident Brad Goodwin suggested a new or upgraded sound system during the next budget year. Russell agreed that the current situation needs improvement.

Rusty Gagnon spoke about the town having access to David Pond.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made, seconded and passed to go into Executive Session, pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A) Town Manager Personnel Matter at 7:07 p.m.
M. Shepherd / C. Baker, Jr. Vote 5-0.

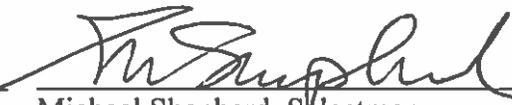
A motion was made, seconded and passed to go back into regular session at 7:26 p.m.
P. Lyford / M. Shepherd Vote 5-0.

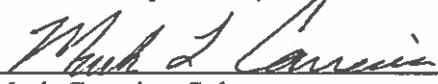
ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn at 7:27 p.m. M. Shepherd / C. Baker, Jr.


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