

Town of Eddington

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SELECTMEN'S MEETING September 24th, 2013 6:00 P.M. Minutes

Public Hearing - Zone Change for Scott Footman Rural Residential to Commercial

The Public Hearing was opened at 6:00 p.m. by Russell Smith. Russell referenced the Planning board's letter dated July, 30th, which informed the selectmen that the planning board was not recommending a zone change. A few key factors that made the decision for the planning board were: There is a lot of wetland in that area, no pressing need to change the zoning as there is developable property in town in the designated commercial zones. In order to comply with the town's comprehension plan and vision of the future, there just wasn't anything concrete enough with the request, to approve it at this time. Scott Footman was at the meeting and said his potential buyer had no exact plan for the property at this time. The Selectmen will need to approve or disapprove and take it to a Special Town Meeting vote. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:25p.m.

CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE: Called to order by Joan Brooks at 6:26 p.m.

ROLL CALL: All Selectmen were present

MINUTES: Meeting of August 20th, 2013 – Motion was made, seconded and passed to approve as printed.

C. Baker, Jr. / P. Lyford Vote 5-0.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS:

Fire: Chief Ellis submitted his report for the month of August. Ellis spoke about the Firefighter 1 & 2 Training Academy that was held at the station recently, 12 students in total were successful in passing the training course. Our Department said goodbye to student Morgan Gunnell, who resigned due to personal reasons, Morgan was in his second year of the live in program. Rebecca Kendrick moved in to the living quarters in September. "Becky", is also the department's first female live-in student. The Generator is expected to be delivered and installed this week. Ellis also informed the board that the department has acquired a "training" structure. Wilbur Cotton has donated buildings on the main road, for the department to use for live burn practice. The practice will take place be through the fall/winter months, and will be cleaned up by April 1st, 2014.

Police: Deputy Mason turned in report for August, sharing that he has noticed an increase of tension between families, etc. in the town lately. Dep. Mason also spoke about recent minor thefts in the Eddington area, as several small towns have been targeted recently.

Joan Brooks, Chairman

Charles Baker, Jr., Selectmen

Charles Grover Jr., Vice-Chairman

Donn Goodwin, Selectmen

Peter Lyford, Selectmen

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT: Report for August - Included in packet

<u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>: I – 395 Update – Gretchen Heldmann updated the board on what little information she had since the July meeting. 2B2 is the Favored Route, as released in the L.E.D.P.A. by the Army Corp of Engineers. The environmental impact statement is due to be released by the 1st quarter in 2014. Russell said he was receiving updates by email, as agreed upon every 2-3 weeks.

Zone Change - Vote by Selectmen

A motion was made, seconded and passed, not to accept the change from Rural Residential to Commercial.

D. Goodwin / C. Grover, Jr.

Vote 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS: I – 395 Resolve – Charles Baker said he would not sign the resolve until the wording is changed. Baker wants to drop "to withdraw" and add "reaffirm" to the same resolve signed April 24th, 2012, which supported the no build option.

D. Goodwin / C. Grover, Jr. Vote 4-1 opposed.

Archie Verow – Draft bill to legislature, No action needed, information only.

Letter from County Commissioners – Regionalization Efforts, info. for board members

MRC Board of Directors, Nomination form – A motion was made, seconded and passed to nominate Chip Reeves of Bar Harbor.

C. Grover, Jr. / C. Baker, Jr.

Vote 5-0.

WARRANT: Motion to sign warrants for September 13, 2013.

C. Grover, Jr. / C. Baker, Jr. Vote 5-0.

<u>PUBLIC ACCESS</u>: Sue Shane asked about the hot topping of the Hatacase Pond Road, if the money was held back from Pomeroy? Russell informed her that the money that was held back was not for hot topping. The original price excluded surface pavement, being done the second year. Pomeroy subcontracted the paving out to B & B Paving

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn at 7:10 p.m. C. Grover, Jr. /C. Baker, Jr. Vote 5-0.

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