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<u> Town of Eddington - 906 Main Road Eddington Maine 04428</u>

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING TUESDAY February 1st, 2022 6:00 PM

MINUTES

<u>CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE:</u> The meeting was called to order by Chairman, M. Carreira, at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: All members present

MINUTES: Meeting Minutes from December 21st, 2021. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept minutes.

D. McCluskey / P. Chapman Vote 5-0.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS:

Fire: December report reviewed by Dep. Chief, Craig Russell.

Police: December Report reviewed by Deputy Birch. Birch mentioned an incident earlier in the day involving heavy trucks crossing the bridge at Clewleyville Road, which led to a discussion about lowering the bridge weight to 15 tons like the David Road Bridge, as they are both in desperate need of replacement.

The motion to reduce the GVW to 15 tons was made, seconded, and passed. R. Wood, Jr. / P. Chapman Vote 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS: Consolidated Communication Applications for Cable & Telephone facility attachments on public ways - A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign all forms as presented.

D. McCluskey / R. Wood, Jr. Vote 5-0.

Municipal Quit Claim Deed request from Eaton Peabody for R.H. Foster - A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the release of lien request on books 1-4 as presented.

D. McCluskey / P. Chapman Vote 5-0.

Mark Carreira, Chairman

Ray Wood, Jr. Vice-Chairman

David McCluskey, Selectperson

Pam Chapman, Selectperson

Deana Doughty, Selectperson

ARPA Funds - Board members were provided with information about the American Rescue Plan Act's guidelines and approved uses. Shawna explained that the allowed uses have changed several times and may change again before the end of April, when the first report period ends. The Town of Eddington received \$233,199.68. ARPA funds must be obligated no later than December 31, 2024. Funds must be spent no later than December 31, 2026. Some of the approved projects include bridge replacements, broadband, water/sewer upgrades, premium pay and many more. Shawna presented a request to the board for premium pay for all town employees who worked a minimum of 50 hrs within the two year period. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the one time payout totaling \$38,250.00.

D. McCluskey / M. Carreira

Vote 5-0.

Tentative 2022 -2023 Budget & Town Meeting Schedule - Board reviewed dates, M. Carreira said he wouldn't be able to make the April 19th meeting. Shawna said she would inform everyone of any changes needed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None at this time

OTHER BUSINESS: Hughes Bros. - 2022 Pricing update, information only, no action required.

Craig Russell spoke about the ice rink opening and how well it went. Despite the freezing cold temperatures that day, attendance was great. Darlings Chevrolet provided giveaways, door prizes, and swag bags for the event. Several people commented on what a wonderful addition this is to our community. Holbrook Regional Recreation has donated several pairs of skates, and is seeking a donation of a storage shed to keep the skates in. (Jaime Pangburn).

Set next meeting date - agreed by board, February 15th, 2022.

<u>PUBLIC ACCESS</u>: Craig Knight spoke about the Planning Board's current research and work on the Solar Energy Ordinance. A representative of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife commended the town for its efforts to "get it right", referring to the type and height of fence that should surround the project to prevent wildlife entanglement.

<u>WARRANTS:</u> A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign the warrants presented. D. McCluskey / P. Chapman Vote 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 p.m. R. Wood, Jr. / D. McCluskey Vote 5-0.

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