



# Town of Eddington

906 Main Road Eddington, Maine 04428

## SELECTMEN'S MEETING

Tuesday  
January 16th 2018  
6:00 P.M.

## MINUTES

**CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE:** Mark Carreira called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Selectmen present: Mark Carreira, Joe Powell, Ray Wood, Jr. and Pam Chapman.

**MINUTES:** Minutes of December 5th - A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept as written. J. Powell / P. Chapman Vote 4-0.

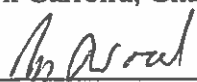
### **PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS:**

**Fire:** Chief Ellis reviewed his report for the months of November and December. The department ended the year with 453 calls, up 21.5% from the previous year. (2017 had a total of 373 calls). Ellis noted that 70% of calls are for medical reasons. Between November 7th-12th, the Tri-County Training Assoc. held two 3-day Rapid Intervention Training courses in Eddington, done mostly in a donated structure, on Terriwood Lane. 34 firefighters from 5 different departments participated in this training, which was made possible by an AFG Grant, obtained and managed by Lt. Craig Russell. The Penobscot County SRT Team also used the donated structure for a training, which included some of Eddington's EMS Providers. A Volunteer Fire Assistance Program (VFA) Grant was received in the amount of \$2600.00 which will be used to purchase a portable pump and forestry hose.

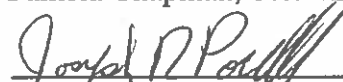
Taylor Keeran, completed the EMT Basics course, he is now a Licensed Emergency Medical Technician.

**Police:** Deputy Chris Watson was not available for the meeting. His report was included in Selectmen packets.

  
Mark Carreira, Chairman

  
Ray Wood, Jr. Vice- Chairman

  
Pamela Chapman, Selectmen

  
Joe Powell, Selectmen

**ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT:** November and December reports were included in packets. No action needed.

**SCHOOL BOARD REPORT:** Rusty Gagnon was unable to attend. Russell reminded selectmen of the Building Committee Meeting set for January 18<sup>th</sup>, at the Holbrook School, at 5:30 p.m. The R.F.P.'s will be opened at that time, and a recommendation will be made, once looked over.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** EMERA vs. Eddington and Bradley, decision. Russell reported that the court's decision was in Emera's favor. The 3% Abatement and interest will be paid over time by the town. More info on exact figures will be available at a later date.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Comprehensive Plan Committee – Dean Bennett has started the process to update our comprehensive plan. A motion was made, seconded and passed to appoint the 5 names, suggested at the meeting. (Ray Wood, Jr., Hilma Adams, Joan Brooks, Tom Vanchieri, Joe Powell and Mark Perry)

**J. Powell /P. Chapman Vote 4-0.**

Sign General Assistance Maximums - A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the new maximums.

**R. Wood, Jr. / M. Carreira Vote 4-0.**

Sign Animal Control Contract – Russell reviewed the new pay system with board members. A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign the new contract.

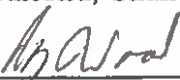
**R. Wood, Jr. / M. Carreira Vote 4-0.**

Auditors Report for 2016-17 – Russell gave the board members copies to look over. No action needed.

Meeting Room Use Sunday Evening – Russell spoke about a local group wanting to use the meeting room each Sunday and the need to possibly draft a use policy, due to the number of requests received. The meeting room is used primarily for Municipal Board meetings and Fire Department Trainings. Several local organizations will ask to reserve it for their meetings or events. So far it has not been an issue and Russell has kept track on the rooms use on a calendar and issued a key at the time. The board agreed that drafting a policy is a good idea. Russell said he'd check with other towns to see how they handle this and review others policies if applicable.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Next Selectmen's Meeting –TBD – After a brief discussion of availability and scheduling, it was determined that the next meeting would be on Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

  
Mark Carreira, Chairman

  
Ray Wood, Jr. Vice- Chairman

  
Pamela Chapman, Selectmen

  
Joe Powell, Selectmen

**WARRANTS:** A Motion was made, seconded and approved to sign warrants.

R. Wood, Jr. / M. Carreira      Vote 4-0.

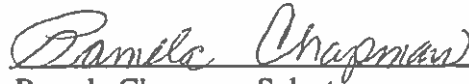
**PUBLIC ACCESS:** Russell mentioned to the board that he had done some research on the Electronic sign suggestion. He reported that it would run about \$18,000 - \$20,000 for the type needed out front.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

J. Powell / P. Chapman      Vote 4-0.



Mark Carreira, Chairman



Pamela Chapman, Selectmen



R. Wood, Jr. Vice- Chairman



Joe Powell, Selectmen

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