

Town of Eddington

906 Main Road Eddington, Maine 04428

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

Tuesday
January 7th, 2020
6:00 P.M.
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE: Chairman, M. Carreira, opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: M. Carreira, D. McCluskey, R. Wood, Jr., & D. Doughty were present.
P. Chapman's absence was excused.

MINUTES: Minutes of October 29th, 2019 - **Motion was made, seconded & passed to accept as written.**
D. McCluskey / D. Doughty Vote 3-1 abstained.

REPORTS:

Public Safety: Fire Department – Chief Ellis reviewed reports covering October and November of 2019. The department had 429 calls for assistance thru the end of the year. Chief Ellis spoke about the number of Mutual Aid being up and that staffing is a huge challenge for most departments. Ellis proudly spoke about the \$16,000 in Grant Money that Capt. Craig Russell had secured in a three month period.

Fire Dept. Grant – A grant was received from Bangor Savings Bank to purchase extrication equipment. Capt. Craig Russell explained the three components of extrication tools; the Cutter, Spreader and the Ram. The department has already been approved for the spreader, funded by grant money, and would like to purchase the other two components. These tools are well made, self-contained and battery powered. They require very little maintenance, save critical time and require less effort than a Halligan Bar or Sawzall. A demo set is available, but would need to be purchased fairly soon. The Board was in support of the purchase, pending warrantee information and finding out if the additional funds need to be approved by Special Town Meeting.

D. McCluskey thanked and Congratulated Capt. Russell for his dedication and efforts on securing grants for the department and saving the town money.


Clifton Fire Contract – A motion was made, seconded and passed to set amounts of \$38,000 for the first year, \$39,000 second year and \$40,000 for the third. **M. Carreira / D. McCluskey Vote 4-0.**



Mark Carreira, Chairman




Pamela Chapman, Selectmen



Ray Wood, Jr. Vice- Chairman



Deana Doughty, Selectmen



David McCluskey

Reports Continued..

Police: Dep. Chris Watson reviewed his reports for the months of October and November of 2019. Watson said the Town averaged about 100 calls for service ranging from special patrols for speed, agency assists and traffic crashes.

Animal Control – Reports included for October & November.

Code Enforcement Report – Included Permit activity and a letter RE: Pine Tree Lane issue.

D. McCluskey said that based on the amount of monthly activity, a quarterly report would be fine from now on.

Road Commissioner – Russell said B & B Paving was able to get the cross culverts paved in on the Merrill Road. There was some extra ditching needed on Merrill Road that was not foreseen in the original work proposed. Andrew McCullough will be presenting bridge design soon for the Davis Road. Russell said he confirmed with American Concrete that the Box Culvert designed for our specific project would not be paid until delivery and if it ends up not needed, there wouldn't be any cost to the town.

NEW BUSINESS: Sign Animal Control Contract – **A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign the contract.**

M. Carreira / D. Doughty Vote 4-0.

Holbrook Recreation Scholarship – An email from Tina Ferrill was received in regards to the passing of Mark Jarvis, the son of the Chairman of the Committee. The scholarship would be in Marks memory and provide funds for one child, per year, to attend the Boy Scout Camp.

Town Manager Search Update – Russell reported that approximately 25 applications were received to date. The deadline is January 10th, 2020.

Comprehensive Plan Update – There will be a board meeting in February and hopefully have things completed and ready for a vote at the Annual Town Meeting in June 2020.

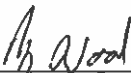
I-395 Update - Russell has not heard anything for about six months. The last update he received was that the project will go to bid in 2022 and be finished by 2025. Residents on Lakemen Lane said they were told it would be April 2020 before there were any answers regarding their land. Selectmen D. McCluskey said he had concerns and understood how this can interfere with people's lives not knowing what will happen to their home. D. McCluskey asked the Town Manager get in touch with the other two towns and draft a letter to the project manager requesting an update every six months.




Mark Carreira, Chairman




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David McCluskey

OTHER BUSINESS: Planning Board Meeting – Tuesday, January 14th, 6 pm
Town Manager Search Committee – Thursday, January 16th, 6pm (tentative)
Next Selectmen's Meeting – Tuesday, January 21st, 6 pm

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

D. McCluskey / D. Doughty

Vote 4-0.

PUBLIC ACCESS: No questions asked

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion to go into Executive Session Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (F)
Confidential Records, Poverty Abatement, at 7:14 p.m. D. McCluskey / R. Wood, Jr. Vote 4-0.

Back into regular session at 7:25 p.m.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to deny the Poverty Abatement.

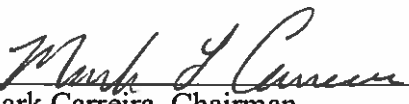
D. McCluskey / R. Wood, Jr.

Vote 4-0.

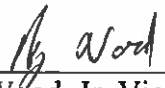
ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 pm.

D. McCluskey / D. Doughty

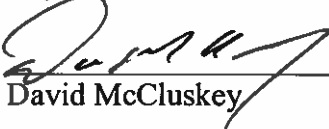
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