



Town of Eddington

906 Main Road Eddington, Maine 04428

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

Tuesday
April 30th, 2019
6:00 P.M.
MINUTES

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

ROLL CALL: All board members were present.

MINUTES: Minutes of April 2nd, 2019 - Motion was made, seconded & passed to accept as written. M. Carreira / P. Chapman All in favor.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS:

Fire: Chief Ellis reviewed his March report.

Department members completed the Annual BLS Mandated Safety Training, a HAZMAT Refresher Course and a class regarding the protocol of Overdose Emergencies. The current live in student, Nick Pelletier, will graduate from EMCC, head home for the summer and perhaps return in the fall to get his Paramedic License.

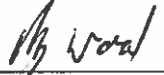
Police: Deputy Watson reviewed his March report with a total of 136 calls for service. He is getting the radar cart ready, which will be placed at various locations throughout the town. Dep. Watson keeps a steady contact with the School and attends events when his schedule permits.

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT: There were no calls handled for the month of March

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT: Special RSU 63 Board Mtg. – 05/09/19 – All Selectmen are encouraged to attend. The meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. with Draft Budget Information, and at 7:00 p.m. there will be an informational meeting RE: One Campus.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None


Mark Carreira, Chairman



Ray Wood, Jr. Vice- Chairman



David McCluskey, Selectmen



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NEW BUSINESS: Citizen Petition – Hilma Adams submitted a petition requesting The Town of Eddington to replace their Minimum Setbacks in the Mineral Extraction Addendum with the State of Maine Minimum Setbacks and also remove Structures and Footnote: (1) The setback may not be reduced by variance. The petition was received and signatures were verified, by the registrar, on April 10th, 2019. Russell told the board members that they had 60 days to act on the request. Selectmen D. McCluskey asked for clarification on “act on it”. Russell said the petition would go, as worded, on the annual town meeting warrant in June, or it could be voted on at a special town meeting. **A motion was made by P. Chapman to put the petition as a warrant article to be voted on at the annual town meeting in June.** *There was no second to the motion, motion failed.* The majority of the board requested time to look at what was submitted, and directed Russell to have the town’s attorney review also. D. McCluskey pointed out how the town’s ordinances would tell them to handle this differently, questioning which procedure to follow. It was asked if an ordinance overrides a citizen’s petition. Russell said that a Citizens Petition goes directly to Selectmen and that they could always choose not to do anything. To be continued at the next selectmen’s meeting, after a review by attorney.

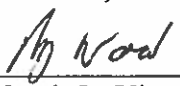
Fire Department Budget – Selectmen, J. Powell, mentioned wages for firefighters and asked for a discussion on that for next meeting. He expressed not wanting to lose good firemen, and thinks that line should be looked at and perhaps increased.

2019 – 2020 Budget - Rob Dorr, resident and Chairman of the Historical Society, spoke about the groups ongoing efforts to raise money for a building, referring to Article #25 in last year’s warrant. He suggested taking away the annual donation under Human Services, and adding a line under Capitol Improvement for the benefit of a community, multi-purpose building. He proposed the idea of creating a “Joint Venture” with the town to have a place where they could display things and provide a space for senior citizens to meet, having it utilized by the community. Dorr said he would really like to see it be an ongoing thing as you would with any other building fund. Selectmen, J. Powell, asked if the Historical Society had any plans drawn. Robbie said they did not at this time. It was suggested that the H. Soc. draft a rough plan and timeline, for the Selectmen to have, to justify the request. Mr. Dorr thanked them for listening and for understanding the importance of planning ahead, to maintain the historical image of the town.

Selectmen P. Chapman asked about the status of the electronic sign from Sign Services - Russell said the check had never been cashed, apparently never delivered with the signed contract, assuming it was lost in the mail.

Will stop payment, have the treasurer issue new check and hand deliver it along with the signed contract.

Mark Carreira, Chairman



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New bus. Cont'd

Abatement – This item will be moved to the next meeting agenda, pending discussion between Town Manager and the Tax Assessor, Ben Birch.

A “Candidates Night” will be scheduled before the Municipal Election - Date TBD.

OTHER BUSINESS: Special RSU 63 Mtg. reminder dates – noted earlier in School Board Report.
Next Selectmen’s meeting, Tuesday, May 7th, 6:00 p.m.
Planning Board Meeting, Tuesday, May 14th, 6:00 p.m. (if needed)

WARRANTS: A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign. M. Carreira / P. Chapman
Vote 5-0.

PUBLIC ACCESS: Frank Arisimeek – Doesn’t understand why the Selectmen did not move the Citizens Petition, presented earlier in the meeting, onto the citizens the way it is and let them decide what they want.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m.
M. Carreira / P. Chapman Vote 5-0.

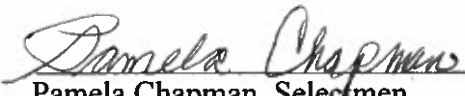
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