

Town of Eddington - 906 Main Road Eddington Maine 04428

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING TUESDAY September 6th, 2022 6:00 PM

MINUTES

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

ROLL CALL: All members were present

MINUTES: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the minutes as written for the August 2nd, 2022 and August 16th, 2022 meetings. P. Chapman / D. Doughty Vote 5-0.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS:

Fire: Dep. Chief, Craig Russell submitted reports for the months of July and August.

After D/C Russell highlighted a few incidents which included two code saves.. Chief Davis talked about using the new drone for the first time, and how helpful it was in locating a wildland fire on Hopkins Pond in Clifton. The Holden and Eddington Fire Departments own this drone under a shared ownership agreement.

Police: Deputy Bill Birch reviewed the reports for July and August.

NEW BUSINESS: New Road Name Request - A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the road name request of Wood Duck Lane. R. Wood, Jr. / P. Chapman Vote 5-0.

Request from Davis Road Property Owner for Tree Replacement - Davis Asherman's property at 199 Davis Road had several trees removed during the temporary road installation. There was no plan in the RFP to replace such trees. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the request for replacement trees of \$1640.00 and to set additional costs for equipment and labor for installation at \$1000.00, which can be revisited later, if necessary. M. Carreira/P. Chapman Vote 5-0.

Ray Wood, Jr. - Chairperson David McCluskey, Vice-Chair Mark Carreira, Selectperson

Pam Chapman, Selectperson

Deana Doughty, Selectperson

New Bus. Cont'd. Planning Board Meeting Schedule RE: Solar Energy Ordinance - See Attached, for questions Select Board members asked while reviewing the ordinance, along with responses from Planning Board members who attended tonight's Select Board meeting. (prepared by Susan Dunham Shane, P. Brd Member) These questions will be reviewed at the Planning Boards meeting on September 8th, 2022.

During the Select Board meeting, David Peppard, the Chair of the Planning Board, introduced Scott Newhart to the select board, expressing his gratitude for all the knowledge and research he contributed during the ordinance writing process. He added that Scott had been an outstanding member of the Planning Board.

Lead Engine Engine #322 Inspection - Ryan Davis provided the report on the condition of Truck #322 following its yearly inspection by Greenwood, a company that maintains our trucks. Greenwood would not put a sticker on the truck due to the condition of the frame. Davis told the board he would like a second and possibly a third opinion. In addition, he will research other options and report back. Selectmen D. McCluskey requested the current reserve account balance for the next meeting.

<u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>: Sign Contract Agreements - The bids have already been awarded, all that is needed is the signatures of the Board members. (Municipal Waterline, Davis Road Culverts and Davis Road Turnaround Project) A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign the three contracts. R. Wood, Jr. /P. Chapman Vote 5-0.

Clifton Fire Contract - M. Carreira recalls a few years ago when the Clifton board members were given fair warning the changes/increases were needed. It was pointed out that residents of Eddington and Clifton receive the exact same service and response to calls. A brief discussion took place of a per call or per capita formula (expense based system) followed by a review of Chief Davis' and Vice Chair D. McCluskey's figures. Any way you figure it, Clifton's Fire/EMS Services share should be just over \$100,000.00. A meeting between two board members and the chief and deputy chief will be scheduled in the coming week or two to discuss the contract figures, then present them to the Clifton Select Board.

OTHER BUSINESS: Updates provided on Road Projects by Shawna. Construction on Davis Road Culvert is complete, Municipal Waterline is underway, and Turnaround is currently awaiting the signatures on easements from the Sekeras and the Allens which need to be recorded before construction can begin.

Brewer Transfer Station Agreement Update - A miscommunication between the facility manager and the town has put the agreement on hold. When available, information will be provided about options.

Next Meeting Date - September	er 20th, 2022	Mark Hanen
Ray Wood, Jr Chairperson	David McCluskey, Vice-Chair	Mark Carreira, Selectperson
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PUBLIC ACCESS:

Riverside Drive resident Dan Scott informed the board about issues on the property next door. Dan and the new owner recently disagreed over paving the driveway at 19 Riversdie since Dan owns a third of it. In addition, he reported that someone had removed the property marker from his property. Mr. Scott is frustrated by the lack of assistance provided by the town and Code Enforcement. Vice Chair, D. McCluskey, pointed out that most of these issues are civil matters, therefore the town needs to be cautious about its statements and actions to avoid liability. According to Shawna Hinkley, the new owner of 19 Riverside continues to receive visits from Code Enforcement, and no violations have been discovered so far. Public access closed at 7:58 p.m.

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

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to a	adjourn at 7:59 p.m. by P. Chapn	Vote 5-0.	
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NOTES FROM SELECTBOARD MEETING 9/6/2022 RE SOLAR ORDINANCE 8.24.22

David M: Questions 106.2.1

Why prohibitions re arable land. David and Scott explain why. SADS talk about Cranberry bogs & solar projects in Mass.

David M: Question 107.13.2

Who decides how much decommissioning should cost. (We need to go over how we decide) And Selectboard issues price and form of surety.

Ray W: re 107.11.3 – what happens if project goes belly up. Who does the actual decommission? - the town? Concerned re how town would do it. What if landowner is left holding the bag.

We discuss 11.3.2 – Ray W askes why Plan Bd deal with complaints? Is it right for Pln Bd to take complaints? Scott says this whole section came from our existing ordinance. We need to review after finding which Ord it is in.

Ray W: Define in 109.1 what "not significantly commenced" means. Points out the MEO has good wording re this.

David M (?): asks Fire Chief if the FD has protocols for fires in these projects. Chief replies – they will not go into the site until the power is off. This is policy. Only try to tamp down flames outside farm borders.

Respectfully submitted, Susan A. Dunham Shane, member T.O.E. Planning Bd 9/8/2022