

TOWN OF EATON, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03832

EVANS MEMORIAL BUILDING

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

February 5, 2019

The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen took place on Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at the Evans Memorial Building. Present were Ed Reilly, David Sorensen and Dick Fortin. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

The Board of Selectmen reviewed checks and signed the Accounts Payable manifest for \$24,001.20 for 14 items. The Payroll manifest was also reviewed and signed.

Dick Fortin made a motion, seconded by David Sorensen, to adopt the Minutes of January 15, 2019 as written. Motion unanimously carried.

Dick Fortin made a motion, seconded by David Sorensen, to adopt the Minutes of January 23, 2019 as written. Motion unanimously carried.

David Sorensen made a motion, seconded by Ed Reilly, to adopt the Minutes of January 31, 2019 as written. Motion unanimously carried.

Deb Callis and Sam Norden met with the Board regarding the water at the Rust property. Sam Norden stated that the brook was plugged up between the two houses and that he took a video of the water coming down the road. Ed Reilly explained that the Selectmen have met with the property owners and have received documents from Jennifer Rust. Deb Callis noted that the grates were blocked so that the water could not go down into the drains.

Kevin Flynn met with the Board regarding Stewart Road. The Board explained the proposed road reconstruction proposed for the summer if the Article passes at Town meeting.

The Board discussed the proposed increase to the Road Agent's elected term. ***David Sorensen made a motion, seconded by Ed Reilly to amend the proposed term to two years rather than three. Motion carried with Dick Fortin voting in the negative.***

Ed Reilly explained that Eversource has found bulbs for the street lights and they were to be installed last week. The Board discussed the status of the fixtures and noted that clarification is needed as to who will be responsible for the cost.

Dick Fortin explained that he contacted Josif at Hoyle Tanner & Associates to make sure the Town is on track for the bridge project and explained that once this design phase is complete, the Town will be in line for construction and that it could happen as soon as 2020.

Dick Fortin gave an overview of the NHDES stream crossing initiative regarding the evaluation of culverts and state-wide data exchange system. Dick Fortin suggested being trained so that culverts in Town can be evaluated.

Marnie Cobbs met with the Board regarding the contract for the Forest Service to burn the blueberry fields and explained the cost share for the burn. It was noted that the Selectmen will review the contract. Marnie Cobbs explained that the boundaries of the property will need to be confirmed and marked prior to the burn.

Marnie Cobbs questioned whether the Selectmen would approve a hawk watch on Foss Mountain in April. Dick Fortin noted that Foss Mountain Road will most likely not be passable and that the group size exceeds the limit and would, therefore, require Town Land Use approval. ***Dick Fortin made a motion, seconded by David Sorensen, to not approve the request for the hawk watch. Motion unanimously carried.***

Chris Kennedy met with the Board and reviewed the proposed Eaton School budget. It was noted that the estimated tax impact will be reduced by 73-cents, in part due to the refund of last year's overcharge for enrollment.

Suzanne Jones signed checks.

State of NH submitted a Statement of Remittance for Quarter 3 Highway Block Grant payment of \$8,692.98.

Charter Communications advised of a new Government & Community Affairs representative.

CarePlus Ambulance Service submitted the Quarter 4 activity report.

The Board reviewed all materials for the Budget Hearing to be held on Thursday evening. The Board reviewed the Warrant and voted on each of the Articles.

Suzanne Raiche and Kim Bowker were in attendance.

The meeting adjourned at 11:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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