

TOWN OF EATON, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03832

EVANS MEMORIAL BUILDING

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

March 19, 2019

The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen took place on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at the Evans Memorial Building. Present were David Sorensen, Dick Fortin and Ed Reilly. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

The Board of Selectmen reviewed checks and signed the Accounts Payable manifest for \$5,405.66 for 11 items. The Payroll manifest was also reviewed and signed.

Dick Fortin made a motion, seconded by David Sorensen, to adopt the Minutes of March 12, 2019 as written. Motion unanimously carried.

Elaine Weathers met with the Board regarding her schedule as beach attendant. It was the consensus of the Board to run a help wanted advertisement for additional attendants. ***Dick Fortin made a motion, seconded by Ed Reilly, to hire Elaine Weathers as part-time beach attendant for the summer. Motion unanimously carried.***

Shane Gurney met with the Board regarding the process of putting part of his property into Current Use. Shane Gurney requested that he receive information on the tax savings before he submits the paperwork.

Road Agent Stubby Heath met with the Board to discuss Highway Department operations. David Sorensen explained that the Highway Department must stay within the adopted operating budget for the year. The Board discussed the report of a clogged box culvert at the corner of Ridge and Glines Hill Roads and noted that there was no issue and that it appears the property owner shoveled snow into the culvert. The Board discussed replacement of lights at the Garage and the merits of motion-sensor spotlights. Dick Fortin requested that the Highway Department budget distinguish between regular maintenance and repairs by vehicle so it can be tracked.

The Board discussed changing the Selectmen's meeting time to 6 – 8 pm and adjusting the Town Clerk's hours beginning in April. ***Ed Reilly made a motion, seconded by David Sorensen, to change the hours of the Selectmen's meeting. Motion unanimously carried.***

Dick Fortin explained that a meeting was held with the US Forest Service regarding the prescribed burn on Foss Mountain and noted that the Town will be notified at least two weeks in advance so that it can be posted.

Dick Fortin stated that he reviewed the proposal submitted by Eversource and the current bills for the street lights. Dick Fortin explained that the only savings for the Town will be in the estimated usage and that more definite numbers should be submitted by

Eversource. Ed Reilly noted that Randy Perkins directed the Town to contact an electrician to obtain estimates and analysis on costs.

Dick Fortin stated that he will be meeting with three electricians to obtain quotes on replacing the lights and adding outlets at Town Hall.

Dick Fortin stated that Stanley Dudrick is interested in serving on the Planning Board but was not able to attend tonight's meeting. ***Dick Fortin made a motion, seconded by Ed Reilly, to appoint Stanley Dudrick as a regular member of the Planning Board. Motion unanimously carried.***

The Board reviewed a notice from NHDES regarding the Wetlands Permit for the Potter Road Bridge. ***David Sorensen made a motion, seconded by Dick Fortin, to authorize Ed Reilly to sign the permit application on behalf of the Town. Motion unanimously carried.***

Ed Reilly suggested writing a policy regarding the use and/or alteration of Town Hall as it is the designated emergency shelter and offered to draft the initial document.

Signature items included correspondence to NH Department of Environmental Services and application for Veteran's Exemption.

Suzanne Jones signed checks.

Paul Hennigan submitted his letter of resignation from the Building Committee.

NH Department of Environmental Services submitted information regarding a privately-owned dam and a dam owned by NH Fish & Game in Eaton for the Board's review. It was noted that additional information will be obtained for the privately-owned dam.

John Barrett requested information on how to apply for funds under the budgeted recreation line item. The Board discussed how to fairly disburse the available funds. ***Ed Reilly made a motion, seconded by Dick Fortin, to adopt a policy of approving \$200 maximum (once per year) for each resident, school-aged child for programs similar to those offered by the Conway Recreation program. Motion unanimously carried.***

The Board reviewed a request for funding of summer camp for an Eaton resident. ***Dick Fortin made a motion, seconded by Ed Reilly, to approve \$200 towards the camp tuition. Motion unanimously carried.***

Town of Freedom invited the Selectmen to attend a presentation by Action Ambulance Service next Monday evening.

NH Department of Revenue Administration submitted the 2018 equalized ratio for the Board's review.

The Board reviewed several requests for internet service.

NH Department of Transportation submitted information on the 2018 red listed bridges.

The Board reviewed and revised the draft Procurement Policy.

Suzanne Raiche and Eleanor Border were in attendance.

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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