

TOWN OF EATON, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03832

EVANS MEMORIAL BUILDING

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

March 27, 2019

A duly-noticed special meeting of the Board of Selectmen took place on Wednesday, March 27, 2019 at the Evans Memorial Building. Present were David Sorensen, Dick Fortin and Ed Reilly. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm.

The Board of Selectmen reviewed a check and signed the Accounts Payable manifest for \$70.00 for 1 item.

Chairman David Sorensen opened the Public Hearing at 4:01 pm to amend existing pole petitions, adopt a resolution and adopt a new pole petition license application. David Sorensen stated that Pursuant to the provisions of RSA 231:163 and 43:2, the Board of Selectmen are holding a public hearing today, March 27, 2019 as properly posted and noticed, to determine if it would be in the best interests of the public good to amend all of the existing pole licenses issued by the Town of Eaton through March 27, 2019 to include language regarding taxation pursuant to RSA 72:23.

The Public Hearing was then opened for questions and comments. David Sorensen read into the Minutes a letter from Eversource (attached). There being no further questions or comments, David Sorensen closed the Public Hearing at 4:12 pm.

Ed Reilly made a motion, seconded by Dick Fortin, to approve the resolution that read:

Pursuant to the provisions of RSA 231:163 and 43:2, the Board of Selectmen held a public hearing on March 27, 2019 to determine if it would be in the best interests of the public good to amend all of the existing pole licenses issued by the Town of Eaton through March 27, 2019 to include language regarding taxation pursuant to RSA 72:23.

As a result of the public hearing, the Board of Selectmen have found it is in the best interests of the public good to amend these existing pole licenses to include the following language:

In accordance with the requirement of RSA 72:23, I (b), this license is granted to the licensee(s) subject to the condition that the licensee(s) and any other entity using or occupying property of the municipality pursuant to this license shall be responsible for the payment of, and shall pay, all properly assessed real and personal property taxes no later than the due date. Failure of the licensee(s) to pay duly assessed personal and real property taxes when due shall be cause to terminate this license.

In accordance with the requirements of RSA 72:23, I (b), the licensee(s) hereunder and any other entity using or occupying the property of the municipality pursuant to this license shall be responsible for the payment of, and shall pay, both current and potential

real and personal property taxes when due. Furthermore, in accordance with the requirements of RSA 72:23, I (b), the licensee(s) and any other entity using and/or occupying property of the municipality pursuant to this license shall be obligated to pay real and personal property taxes on structures or improvements added by the licensee(s) or any other entity using or occupying the property of the licensor pursuant to this license.

The Petitioner hereby acknowledges its statutory obligation pursuant to RSA 231:177-181 to relocate the poles, structures, conduit, and equipment licensed hereunder upon written notice from the Town.

The Licensee is required to provide the town in writing the names and contact information for any additional provider(s) authorized now or in the future to place equipment at these location(s).

In addition, the Board of Selectmen has found it to be in the best interests of the public good to adopt a revised Pole License form to be used by the Town of Eaton effective March 28, 2019 that includes the same language noted above for all future pole licenses to be issued in the Town of Eaton.

There being no discussion, ***the motion unanimously carried.*** All Selectmen signed the Resolution. The Resolution and approved Pole Petition License Application is attached to the end of these Minutes.

David Sorensen gave an update on a meeting in Albany regarding internet and possible fiber optics.

The Board reviewed an application for Tax Deferral and requested that it be sent to Town Counsel for review and comment.

The Board discussed the Building Committee and will be attending the next meeting on April 17th.

The Board reviewed duties of the Selectmen for the next year. Ed Reilly was appointed to the Planning Board, Dick Fortin was appointed to the Conservation Commission and David Sorensen was appointed to the Lower MWV Solid Waste.

Dick Fortin made a motion, seconded by Ed Reilly, to appoint Victoria Murphy as Trustee of the Trust Funds for a term of three years. Motion unanimously carried.

Dick Fortin gave an overview of the meeting with Action Ambulance Service.

The meeting adjourned at 5:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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