

**TOWN OF EATON, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03832**

**EVANS MEMORIAL BUILDING**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**March 8, 2022**

A duly-noticed special meeting of the Board of Selectmen took place on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at the Evans Memorial Building. Present were Ed Reilly, Joyce Blue and Dick Fortin. The meeting was called to order at 11:00 am.

The Board reviewed checks and signed the Accounts Payable manifest for \$5,097.65 for 13 items.

The Board reviewed and amended the Minutes of March 1, 2022. ***Joyce Blue made a motion, seconded by Dick Fortin, to adopt the Minutes as amended. Motion unanimously carried.***

The Board reviewed the Minutes of the non-public session on March 1, 2022. ***Joyce Blue made a motion, seconded by Dick Fortin, to adopt the Minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.***

Dick Fortin submitted estimates from Precision Applications for the insulation and new roof coating at the Town garage.

The Board discussed the current grader lease and will discuss at their next meeting the feasibility of paying off the lease early.

Dick Fortin noted that the Highway crew should be asked to remove the old light pole at the beach.

The Board discussed the idea of creating a capital project list and updating the spreadsheet which predicts the tax rates for upcoming years. Joyce Blue suggested holding one additional meeting per month to address the creation of a capital project list with projected costs, in an attempt to keep the tax rate level.

Signature items included Supplemental Notice of Intent to Cut for Kenneth Cargill (E05-006) and a Potter Road bridge reimbursement request to NH Department of Transportation.

The Board reviewed information on the Allin Family Trust as it relates to a tent platform and removal of land from Current Use.

NHDRA submitted a Community Action Report for their visits to Town Hall in February and March.

NH Municipal Association submitted Legislative Bulletin #11.

Mike Kelleher of the State E-911 program advised the Town that dispatch procedures for Action Ambulance will change in early April. This information will be shared with Center Conway Fire Chief Glenn Merrill to assess any possible issues.

Ed Reilly questioned the feasibility of issuing tablets to the Selectmen in an attempt to cut down on paper and copying costs. The Board will further research the possibility.

Road Agent Richard "Stubby" Heath met with the Board to discuss summer projects for the Highway crew. Stubby Heath stated that Stewart Road can be shimmed and paved but that Bull Pasture Road requires reconstruction work. Stubby Heath will obtain prices for the project and meet with the Board to review.

Dick Fortin expressed concern regarding damage to bridge railings and requested that the Road Agent work with staff to slow down snow plows when going over Town bridges. It was noted some railings on two of the Potter Road bridges will need to be replaced.

Stubby Heath suggested purchasing the new chassis this year as there are funds in the Capital Reserve account and then raising the remaining amount to finish the truck in 2023. Stubby Heath suggested that a 10-year truck/equipment replacement plan should be considered, with additional funds added to maintenance in order to support keeping trucks in service for an additional three years. The suggested replacement plan would be as follows:

2013 Backhoe – replace or repair work – 2028  
2017 F-550 – replace – 2027  
2020 Dump truck – replace 2032 – 2035  
New Vehicle – 2023

***Joyce Blue made a motion, seconded by Dick Fortin, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried.*** The meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lianne Boelzner*

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