

TOWN OF EATON, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03832

EVANS MEMORIAL BUILDING

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

February 21, 2023

The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen took place on Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at the Evans Memorial Building. Present were Joyce Blue, Dick Fortin and Ed Reilly. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm.

Tax Collector Heather McKendry met with the Board and submitted information on property scheduled for tax deed on April 18th.

The Board reviewed the Meeting Minutes of February 7 & 9, 2023 and Budget Hearing Minutes of February 9, 2023. ***Ed Reilly made a motion, seconded by Dick Fortin, to adopt the Minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.***

Ed Reilly made a motion, seconded by Dick Fortin, to ratify the following items signed out of session: Accounts Payable warrant and checks dated February 20, 2023, the 2023 Town Warrant and the 2023 Budget Report. Motion unanimously carried.

Stephanie Mathurin met with the Board to ask for clarification on the Town Manager's position and authority. The Board reviewed RSA 37. Dick Fortin read an email from NHMA Legal Department, which cleared up the questions.

The Board discussed the status of the Hazard Mitigation Plan. Joyce Blue suggested that the Board sign off on the revised version of the Plan so that it can be sent to the State for review and approval.

Dick Fortin noted that a complaint by a citizen has been filed with NHDES regarding a wood addition project last summer and indicated that the work was completed before an approved permit was received.

Dick Fortin reviewed a property on Brownfield Road and indicated that work is being performed without a Building Permit. The Board will reach out to the property owners and request that a Permit be obtained.

Dick Fortin explained that he spoke with Center Conway Fire Chief Glenn Merrill about the proposed merger with Redstone Fire Department and was assured that it would only enhance the response to emergencies.

The Board reviewed an email from Michelle Clark at NHDRA regarding amendments to Warrant Articles and noted that the Town is exempt from the 10% rule because there is no Budget Committee.

Dick Fortin explained that he discussed the condition of the “Welcome to Eaton” signs with Jonathan Goodwin, who said that Gemini Signs will repair the signs. It was noted that a cost estimate will be submitted to the Town.

Ed Reilly raised the issue of the action items within the Hazard Mitigation Plan that fall upon the Select Board. The Board reviewed the list of items with possible ways to address the items.

Patricia & Christopher Pacewicz submitted a Building Permit Application for a kitchen remodel at 17 Pond View Drive (R04-010B). The Building Permit application was reviewed and approved as all requirements of the 2022 Zoning Ordinance have been met. The Permit was signed by the Board of Selectmen (Permit #202233).

Dick Fortin submitted a draft listing of road classifications that he is developing.

The Board discussed the possible need for additional fireproof file cabinets. It was noted that the cost and need will be further discussed.

NH Municipal Association submitted Legislative Bulletins #7 and #8.

Dick Fortin made a motion, seconded by Ed Reilly, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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