

TOWN OF EATON, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03832

EVANS MEMORIAL BUILDING

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

May 2, 2023

The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen took place on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at the Evans Memorial Building. Present were Dick Fortin, Ed Reilly and Greg Grinnell. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm.

The Board reviewed checks and signed the Accounts Payable manifest for \$17,667.21 for 19 items. The Payroll manifest was also reviewed and signed.

The Board discussed the position of Deputy Clerk and proposed part-time Planning/Zoning Clerk. The Board also discussed the current pay method for the Town Clerk.

The Board reviewed the Minutes of April 18, 2023. ***Ed Reilly made a motion, seconded by Greg Grinnell, to adopt the Minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.***

Dick Fortin explained that several roads were washed out during the rainstorm and that a few private culverts are being addressed with the property owners. It was noted that the Highway crew could develop a list of private culverts that need to be replaced and the property owners can be contacted.

Dick Fortin stated that Bull Pasture Road reconstruction is slated to take place this summer and that the plan is to leave the road gravel. Dick Fortin suggested developing a newsletter to keep residents informed of projects and items being addressed by the Highway Department and Selectmen.

Paul Nuccio met with the Board regarding his property on Long Pond and indicated that he has received State approvals for a dock. Paul Nuccio questioned whether any Town approvals are required. The Board explained that only State approval is necessary for a dock and that structures on the ground are not permissible within the Shoreland setback.

Road Agent Richard Heath met with the Board regarding the new truck and proposed 7-year warranty. Road Agent Heath explained that the current price of parts and maintenance makes this warranty cost of \$9000 justifiable.

Road Agent Heath explained that he measured Roberts Road, which ends right beyond the stone wall and explained that he will be moving forward with a new turn-around on the Reilly property.

Road Agent Heath noted that the roads are back in good condition after the rainstorm except for Foss Mountain Road, which is closed until the crew can conduct the necessary repairs.

Heather McKendry and Paul Nuccio met with the Board regarding a proposed fundraising platform called “FundRazr/Paypal” for the Conservation Commission. It was noted that the funds would be used to repair the trail on Foss Mountain. The Board discussed the current Paypal account and noted that it should be revised. The Board requested that the Town Auditor be contacted for guidance on how to proceed.

Dick Fortin submitted an updated Road Map and index depicting the status of all roads in Eaton.

Ed Reilly noted that the Highway Block Grant funds may be reduced beginning next year and that the legislature is still working on State Retirement issues.

Ed Reilly submitted information to be given out at the first Capital Improvements Committee meeting. The Board reviewed and revised the handout. The Board discussed the procedure to adopt the Plan and requested that clarification be sought on the process.

Ed Reilly submitted information on Considerate Conduct for review by Town employees.

Greg Grinnell gave an update on the Planning Board and recent Steep Slope/Ridgeline application. Greg Grinnell noted that George Diller met with the Board to discuss his property on Crystal Lake Road.

The Board reviewed an email regarding cell towers and requested that Mariner Tower be contacted to set up a meeting. Greg Grinnell explained that it could take up to 24 months to obtain all permits and then 13 to 15 weeks for construction.

Brian & Monique Hebert submitted a Building Permit Application for a 14x20 deck on the rear of the house at 2031 Eaton Road (R02-005-C). The Building Permit application was reviewed and approved as all requirements of the 2023 Zoning Ordinance have been met. The Permit was signed by the Board of Selectmen (Permit #2023008).

The Board reviewed an inspection letter from Building Inspector David Pandora and issued a Certificate of Occupancy to Tracie Kittredge at 96 Thompson Hill Road (R11-042-B).

State of NH submitted a Statement of Remittance for the Quarter 4 Highway Block Grant Aid payment of \$8,592.05 and PDM19 Hazard Mitigation Grant payment of \$6,800.00.

The Board reviewed a request from the Gibson Center to hold a “Town Hall Meeting” for residents. The Board noted that if the meeting is held during office hours, it is permissible.

The Board reviewed an email from Ken McKenzie regarding the Snowville Cemetery and noted that the Trustees will be meeting next week to review the information.

The Board reviewed a letter from the Attorney General’s office regarding social media platforms.

NH Department of Energy submitted information on the Consumer Energy Savings Hub.

NH Department of Revenue submitted information on the 2022 Total Equalized Valuations. The Board requested that Town Assessor Jason Call be asked to meet with the Board to review the information.

NH Municipal Association submitted Legislative Bulletins #17 and #18.

Steve Larson submitted information for the Select Board to appoint an alternate to the Zoning Board of Adjustment. ***Dick Fortin made a motion, seconded by Ed Reilly, to appoint Hoke Wilson as an Alternate to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a term of three years. Motion unanimously carried.***

Tips for Managing Security Systems was submitted for the Board's review. The Board will review and discuss at their next meeting.

The Board reviewed and amended the Application for Home Occupation Certificate of Use.

Greg Grinnell made a motion, seconded by Ed Reilly, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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