

## Town of Eddington

906 Main Road Eddington, Maine 04428

SELECTMEN'S MEETING TUESDAY November 15th, 2016 6:00 P.M. MINUTES

<u>CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE:</u> Mike Shepherd called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** All Selectmen present.

MINUTES: Minutes of the meeting on October 18th, 2016. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept as printed.

J. Brooks / M. Carreira Vote 3-2.

(M. Shepherd and R. Wood abstained, due to not having sufficient time to read them before the vote)

## **PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS:**

Fire: Chief Ellis submitted his report for October. The department has seen an increase in calls for this time of year. While on a call for a MVA on the Main Road, they were requested by Capital Ambulance, for assistance in Amherst for two subjects who had overdosed and were unconscious. Narcan was used to revive each of them. A homeland security grant, recently awarded to the department, will help four entities (Eddington and Holden Fire Dept.'s, PCSO and the S.A.D. 63 School District) prepare for Active Shooter Situations. A Walmart Grant for \$770.00 was received, which will purchase rehab equipment to keep personnel safe during high temps in the summer months. An MMA Grant of \$1100.00 was received and will buy six pairs of boots. All of these grants were applied for by Craig Russell, they help purchase things needed and used by our department, all at no extra cost to the taxpayers. At a recent pumps course training, hosted by the Maine Fire Service Institute, engine 322's pump was damaged. The inner lining of a piece of hose delaminated and was forced into the pump. The truck is currently in Brunswick to be repaired, thankfully, no permanent damage was done, and insurance should cover the repairs. Live Fire Training will take place in December at the old store on the Cotton Property. The Department has three new members, two as per diem employees and one on call employee. Selectmen J. Brooks commented on how nice it is to have Lt. Craig Russell on board, recognizing his dedication and his ability to apply for and obtain grants.

Michael Shepherd, Chairman

Mark Carreira, Selectman

RayWood, Jr. Selectman

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Joe Powell, Selectmen

**Police:** Deputy Chris Watson submitted his report for October. There were 127 calls for service, including two burglaries. Dep. Watson said he tends to keep an eye on any vacant and foreclosed homes as they can be targets for copper theft, etc. Watson is trying to reestablish the Homeland Security Committee for the S.A.D. School Community. Chris has recently completed training, which will be helpful in the ongoing mission to protect the schools. Watson is in hopes to have to have updated information for the committee, as he hopes it can be back up and running by the first part of 2017.

**ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT:** Copies of the Report were given to board members.

**SCHOOL BOARD REPORT:** Rusty Gagnon informed the board that he next S.A.D. Committee meeting was scheduled for November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. (Eddington School). She stressed the need for extra input and was really hoping for someone from Eddington to sit in on the meeting, where they will review sample policies. Mike Shepherd said he would try to be there.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

<u>NEW BUSINESS:</u> New School Superintendent, Susan Smith, came to introduce herself to the board, she included a hand out to read, including a mission statement for the S.A.D. Susan said she enjoys the small town community feeling, where we all look out for each other. She thanked everyone for listening and said she would be back at budget time.

Resident Letter Regarding Planning Board Alternate James White — Mr. White was offered the option to discuss the letter in an Executive Session, he said he didn't have anything to hide and was ok with it being discussed in the open meeting. Chairman Michael Shepherd told Mr. White he had a right to privacy as a Town Appointee. A motion was made, seconded and passed to enter the letter into minutes.

J. Powell / M. Carreira Vote 5-0.

The discussion took place in Executive Session, as a way to keep it focused on the matter not open to comments by public.

Appeals Board Alternate Member Appointment, Tom Vanchieri – A motion was made, seconded and passed to appoint Tom as an alternate member.

R. Wood / Carreira Vote 5-0. (Russell mentioned that Tom would not be able to be at the upcoming Appeals Board Meeting, due to a prior commitment)

<u>OTHER BUSINESS</u>: Appeals Board Meeting requested by Anthony Melanson – Meeting set for Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. – informational item only, no action required.

Michael Shepherd, Chairman

Mark Carreira, Selectman

Ray Wood, Jr. Selectman

Joan Brooks, Vice-Chairman

Joe Powell, Selectmen

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**WARRANTS:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign warrants.

J. Brooks / R. Wood

Vote 5-0.

**PUBLIC ACCESS:** No questions asked

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion to go into Executive Session at 6;41 p.m., Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (A) Personnel Matter.

Motion to close Executive Session at 7:08 p.m.

J. Brooks / Ray Wood, Jr.

Vote 5-0.

Motion to go back into Regular Session at 7:09 p.m. J. Powell / M. Shepherd

Vote 5 -0.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

R. Wood / J. Powell

Vote 5-0.

Michael Shepherd, Charman

Mark Carreira, Selectman

Ray Wood, Jr. Selectman

(these minutes are a summarization of the Meeting, they are not a transcript. Meetings are recorded and can be made available, if someone wishes to listen to all discussions and all comments made)

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