

**Town of Eddington - 906 Main Road Eddington Maine 04428**

**SELECT BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY  
SEPTEMBER 19th, 2023  
6:00 PM**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ray Wood, Jr., at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** R. Wood, Jr., D. McCluskey, P. Chapman and D. Doughty present. M. Carreira's absence was excused.

**MINUTES:** A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the minutes as written for the meeting of August 29th, 2023. **D. McCluskey / D. Doughty      Vote 4-0**

**PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS:**

Fire: D/C Russell reviewed the August monthly report and demonstrated the department new LUCAS device. With the help of a grant, the Eddington and Holden Fire Departments purchased this device together. As Deputy Chief, Craig Russell explained, this device provides mechanical chest compressions to patients in cardiac arrests.

PCSO: The monthly report for August was available in packets for review.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to enter into an Executive Session, Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (E) for a consultation with Town Attorney at 6:18 p.m. **by D. McCluskey / D. Doughty      Vote 4-0.**

Select Board went back into regular session at 6:31 p.m.

**D. McCluskey made a motion to add another Executive Session to the Agenda after Public Access. Seconded by P. Chapman      Vote 4-0.**

**NEW BUSINESS:** MRC Board of Directors Nomination Form - A motion was made, seconded and passed to have Shawna check with S. Newhart on the Planning Board to see if he had any interest in being nominated. If so the Board authorizes Shawna to submit his name by the deadline of October 6th, 2023.

Ray Wood, Jr. - Chairperson

David McCluskey, Vice-Chair

Mark Carreira, Selectperson

Pam Chapman, Selectperson

Deana Doughty, Selectperson

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** BD Solar Application Decommissioning Financial Requirements. BD Solar representative Nick Sampson was here to provide feedback on the proposed rates to the board members. Nick explained to the board that the numbers they used were state based on inflationary pressures. In addition, he explained that the company looked at similar-sized projects and aligned the costs accordingly. Every project has a metric for the number of solar panels, racks, etc. developed by operations and construction teams.

It was asked what the skill level would be for decommissioning / removal and Nick said it would basically be that of a General Laborer as the system will be shut down. It is expected that the job will be relatively easy and could be done by 5 - 15 people.

The Select Board and Nick agreed that the current language was misleading and should be updated to reflect current labor costs, which should correspond to the state average. A five-year inflation adjustment should also be made.

Nick said he would revise/update the decommissioning plan to provide more details and to contain a separate section on batteries based on concerns raised during tonight's discussion with Select Board, as well as a one-page budget which was suggested by D. McCluskey.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** The first fall clean up will be held on Saturday, October 21st, 2023, from 7 am to 1 pm. Permits are required to attend and flyers have been mailed to all residents in town.

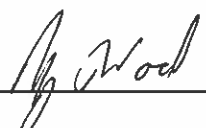



**WARRANTS:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign available warrants. D. McCluskey / P. Chapman. Vote 4-0.

**PUBLIC ACCESS:** What will happen to the bond money if the Solar Panels aren't removed in the timeframe expected? As a result, the town would hire people. If the company comes through, they will get their money back.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to enter into an Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405 (6) (A). to discuss a personnel issue - time 7:21 p.m. D. McCluskey / R. Wood, Jr. Vote 4-0.

Entered back into regular session at 7:30 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn at 7:31 p.m. D. McCluskey / R. Wood, Jr. Vote 4-0.

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