

# Town of Eddington

906 Main Road Eddington, Maine 04428

# SELECTMEN'S MEETING Tuesday October 17th, 2017 6:00 P.M. MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE: M. Shepherd called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** All Selectmen were present.

MINUTES: Minutes of October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 - A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept as written.

J. Powell / P. Chapman Vote 5-0.

Chairman, Mike Shepherd, and the Town Manager, presented Joan Brooks with a plaque, thanking & commending her for her 41yrs of dedication and service to the Town of Eddington.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS:**

Fire: Chief Ellis submitted his report for September, a busy month totaling 44 calls, 5 of them being in one day. Ellis noted that luckily there were no wildland fires as those can be very costly to the department. September tends to be a brutal month financially, due to SCBA Testing, getting the maintenance done on equipment and trucks, before the winter months. However, these are expected and budgeted expenses. Ellis commented on the number of Assistance to Firefighter Grants awarded in the State, proudly pointing out that our Lt. Craig Russell, has acquired 9, which is the department has received. (approx. \$297,000.00 received to date)

Police: Dep. Watson gave his report for the month of September with a total of 113 calls for service handled by PCSO. A variety of calls handled, including special patrols which resulted in 66 Traffic Stops. 13 tickets issued, 53 warnings issued and a speed detail.

<u>ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT:</u> September Report – was not received by meeting date. Russell said it usually arrives by mid-month.

Michael Shepherd, Chairman

Mark Carreira, Vice- Chairman

Ray Wood, Jr. Selectman

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SCHOOL BOARD REPORT: The Superintendent (Susan) attended the meeting, giving a financial update for RSU 63, with a break down in the State Subsidy numbers for the previous and current fiscal year (2017-18). Susan also spoke about new programs added this year broken down by funding, some being locally funded and others are grant funded. (Informational sheet, with a breakdown of financial figures and the programs spoke of during meeting will be included as record.) Upcoming meetings for the RSU- Board of Directors: Mon., 10/23 at 6:30 p.m. at Holbrook School, RE: Transportation. New School Community Committee: Wed., 11/01 at 5:30 p.m. at Holbrook School, RE: RFP Parameters FRIENDS / Student Success Parent Night – Thurs. 11/02 at 5:30 p.m. at Holbrook RSU #63 Board of Directors: Mon., 11/27 at 6:30 p.m. at Holden School, RE: Cost/Benefit Analysis

<u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS:</u> Comprehensive Plan – Russell reviewed three proposals he obtained, in addition to Dean Bennett's that was presented at the previous meeting. All of them being much higher than Mr. Bennett's. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept Dean Bennett's proposal, authorizing Russell Smith to sign.

J. Powell / M. Carriera

Vote 5-0.

Russell requested a meeting with Dean Bennett and two Selectmen before beginning Comp. Plan work.

Mark Carriera and Pam Chapman were willing to attend such meeting, Russell to follow up with a date and time through email.

Assessing – Referencing the presentation / proposal from Ben Birch, the selectmen asked when the current contract for assessing expired. Russell said the date was January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Russell told the board Mr. Birch was available and ready to get to work ASAP. Selectmen directed Russell to get a minimum of two more proposals, based on the same 12hrs per week that Ben Birch had proposed.

A motion was made, seconded and passed that if the two or more bids are in comparison to Mr. Birch's hours and come in higher, the board authorizes the Town Manager to sign with Ben Birch.

J. Powell / M. Carriera

Vote 5-0.

<u>NEW BUSINESS:</u> Sign Liquor License for Meadowbrook Dance Center – A motion was made seconded and passed to sign the license.

M. Shepherd / M. Carriera

Vote 5-0.

Sign Policy on Bidding Procedures – Russell presented a draft, Mike Shepherd read it out loud at the meeting. (3 Bids shall be obtained for work over \$5000.00) A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept as written

R. Wood, Jr. / P. Chapman Vote 5-0.

Building Permits on Properties that are delinquent on tax payments – Part of the City of Brewer's Zoning Ordinance, which includes this issue, was provided for Selectmen. After discussing a proper delinquency period that would put the kibosh to any building permits being issued to the property owner. A motion was made, seconded and passed to submit the highlighted section of Brewer's ordinance to the Planning Board. Striking out the last sentence and adding the words "if any more than 1year overdue" in both paragraphs.

M. Shepherd / R. Wood, Jr.

Vote 5-0.

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Electronic Message Sign – Russell reported that prices for a sign comparable to the current one out front would be in the \$20,000 range. He will check with a few other small towns to see who they purchased from, etc. Sign bids can be solicited in the next budget cycle and be voted on as a warrant article.

OTHER BUSINESS: Referendum Election - Tuesday, November 7th, 8 am to 8:00 p.m.

Next Selectmen's meeting - Tuesday, November 21st, 6:00 p.m.

Board of Appeals Meeting, Thursday, October 26th, 6:30 p.m. – No public input.

(M. Shepherd asked that Russell make sure all parties that are involved are notified ahead of time)

Saturday, October 21st, 2:00 p.m. to 3 p.m., Rabies Clinic

Saturday, October 21st, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Flu Clinic

Emera Appeal, Cumberland County Courthouse, November 15th, 1:30 p.m.

Selectmen Joe Powell asked to add an Executive Session item to the Agenda, following Public Access.

WARRANTS: A Motion was made, seconded and approved to sign warrants.

R. Wood, Jr. / M. Shepherd Vote 5-0.

<u>PUBLIC ACCESS</u>: Theresa Woznik expressed her thoughts on getting an electronic sign. She thought it should have been done by now if it had been acted on last year when the subject was brought up. She referenced the current sign being three weeks behind at times with messages due to cold weather, access to sign, etc. Also, she would like to see the minutes of meetings updated on the website a little faster. Adding that it used to be up to date, and now it takes a while, again.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion to go into Executive Session Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (D) Code Enforcement Negotiations, at 7:10 p.m. M. Carreira / J. Powell Vote 5-0.

Motion to enter back into regular session at 7:32 p.m. Ray wood 91. | 90c Powell Vote 5-0

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.im. Pam Chapman / Mark Cancila Vote 5-0.

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RSU 63 - Financial Update

Fiscal Year	State Subsidy	Difference from Previous Year	
FY 17 2016-17 School Year	\$4,145,906	Less \$279,653	
FY 18 Proposed in February	\$3,558,266	Less \$587,640	This is the amount we used to budget for the 2017-18 School Year
FY 18 Actual in July	*\$3,777,614	Less \$368,292	*\$219,348 more than proposed in February

The RSU 63 Budget for FY 18 (2017-18 School Year) includes \$728,500 allocated from Balance Forward to the General Fund.

Because RSU 63 will receive \$219,348 more from the State than originally proposed, we will

- use those funds to reduce local taxes next year by allocating it towards the FY19 General Fund for the 2018-19 School Year, and/or
- place those funds in our Capital Reserve Fund to reduce local taxes for future expenses such as school construction, capital improvement projects, facility upgrades, plant maintenance, and capital equipment purchases.

RSU 63 Program Update

Locally Funded	Grant Funded			
Technology	Social-Emotional Learning			
STEM Teacher at Holbrook	FRIENDS Curriculum Materials, Lessons,			
<ul> <li>10 Chromebooks per Classroom at</li> </ul>	Professional Development, Consultation,			
Holden (Grades 2, 3, and 4)	Parent Nights at all three schools			
<ul> <li>6 iPads per Classroom at</li> </ul>				
Eddington (Kindergarten and	After School Programs			
Grade 1)	Academic Support, Homework Help, Math			
PreKindergarten at Eddington	Masters, Community Mosaic, and Cooking			
Math Support Ed. Tech. at Holden	Matters, Additional Options in the Winter			
1/2 Time Gifted and Talented Teacher at	and Spring			
Holbrook				
Y Works! After-School Childcare for Students in Kindergarten through Grade 6				

# **Upcoming Meetings**

RSU #63 Board of Directors: Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6:30 at Holbrook School Presentation Topic = Transportation

New School Community Committee: Wed, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 5:30 at Holbrook School Topic = Parameters for a Cost/Benefit Analysis Request for Proposals (RFP)

FRIENDS/Student Success Parent Night: Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5:30 at Holbrook

RSU #63 Board of Directors: Monday, November 27th, 6:30 at the Holden School Presentation Topics = Cost/Benefit Analysis RFP and Technology





Troy J. Morton Sheriff 85 Hammond Street Bangor, Maine (207)947-4585

William R. Birch Chief Deputy

#### Public Safety Monthly Report - September 2017

During the month of September 2017 there were 113 calls for service that were handled by the Penobscot County Sheriff's Office.

#### \*\*Reportable Crashes (1)

- 1 property damage

#### \*\*Special Patrol - (4)

- Most were for school zones speed enforcement Traffic Stops (66) Tickets issued (13) Warnings issued (53)
- School Zone (21), Main Road (6), Jarvis Gore Drive (10), Riverside Drive (4), Clewleyville Road (2), and Rooks Road (2), Hill Street (1), Merrill Road (1).
- Speed Detail: (1)

# \*\*Public Service (12)

- School (11): Adopt-A-School, interact with students during lunch.
- Town (1): Selectman's Meeting

#### \*\*Property Checks - (14)

- Town wide Business (5)
- Residential (9), Main Road (1), Jarvis Gore (4), Hatcase Pond (2), Mountainy Pond Road (1), Hill St. (1)

## \*\*Arrest/Summons - (3)

- Traffic Offense - Illegal Attachment(1)

## \*\* Medical/Agency Assist (7)

- Medical Assist (5)
- Fire Assist (1)
- Animal Control Officer (1)

#### \*\* Community Issues/Training

Schedule – adjusted for the start of school – Day schedule – 8 shifts