

## Town of Eddington

906 Main Road Eddington, Maine 04428

## SELECTMEN'S MEETING Tuesday SEPTEMBER 4th, 2018 6:00 P.M. MINUTES

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

**ROLL CALL:** All Selectmen were present

MINUTES: Minutes of August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 - Motion was made, seconded & passed to accept as written.

D. McCluskey / J. Powell Vote 5-0

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: N/A** 

NEW BUSINESS: Fire Dept. – Regional AFG (Assistance to Firefighters Grant) Award Bid. Capt. Craig Russell reviewed the bid proposals with Selectmen, noting that each community would have been responsible for one-fifth of the local match amount of \$20,109. However, a request was submitted to use trade-in funds from existing equipment. The value of the trade (\$30,450) was higher than the match amount (\$20,109), therefore the match will not be needed and there will be excess funds of \$16,028.75 that can be used to purchase additional equipment once the project planning has been completed.

A motion was made, seconded and passed that the board would make an exception to their standard three bid policy, due to the fact that there are only 2 bids available.

D. McCluskey / R. Wood, Jr. Vote 5-0.

A motion was made seconded and passed to approve the proposal by Physio-Control in the amount of \$185,062.25 D. McCluskey / M. Carreira Vote 5-0.

Mark Carreira, Chairman

Ray Wood, Jr. Vice- Chairman

David McCluskey, Selectmen

Pamela Chapman, Selectmen

Joe Powell, Selectmen

New Business Continued...

New LED Town Sign Bids – Russell reviewed the 3 Bid Proposals with Selectmen. It was noted that software to run the sign is included, however, if any permits are needed, those would be the responsibility of the town. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the quote from Sign Services.

M. Carreira / D. McCluskey Vote 5-0.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize Town Manager to sign the agreement with Sign Services.

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

Recycling Program — Russell explained that as of July the cost of Recycling has gone from \$20 a ton to \$140 a ton. Continuing to pay the increased fee will put the town at an estimated \$10,000 - \$12,000 over the budgeted amount. Many Towns have recently made the decision to discontinue the program due to increasing costs. The Board of Selectmen made a decision to end the recycling program in the Town of Eddington as well. A motion was made, seconded and passed to suspend recycling until such time as Fiberight opens and can receive them, or when an alternative can be found.

D. McCluskey / M. Carreira

Vote 5-0.

Planning Board Compensation – David McCluskey requested this be on the agenda. The current pay for a Planning Board member is \$35.00 per meeting attended. D. McCluskey asked other board members for permission to do some research with similar sized towns on pay scales, etc. Board members gave him the "OK" to do so. He will report back within a couple months.

Road Maintenance 10 year plan, CES – Russell spoke with C.E.S. and they will be sending someone to speak with the Selectmen on the engineering process.

Merrill Road - Russell will get prices clarified for the Merrill Road project.

Resident Letter — Selectman, Pam Chapman, handed copies of a letter she had written to the other board members, expressing that she would read it aloud as part of the record. Selectman, David McCluskey, spoke about protocol, the letter was under New Business, an Agenda item and copies were not included with all other meeting material in selectmen packets, so he felt it should be tabled until the following meeting. A motion was made, seconded and passed to table the letter until the next meeting.

D. McCluskey / Ray Wood

Vote 4-1.

Mark Carreira, Chairman

Ray Wood, Jr. Vice- Chairman

David McCluskey, Selectmen

Pamela Chapman, Selectmen

Joe Powell, Selectmen

OTHER BUSINESS: Next Selectmen's Meeting Date – October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6 p.m. – information only. Planning Board Meeting, September 25th, 6 p.m. – information only. Comprehensive Plan, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 6 p.m. – information only.

<u>WARRANTS:</u> A Motion was made, seconded and approved to sign warrants.

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

PUBLIC ACCESS: David Peppard, resident and Planning Board member, voiced his concern with a recent decision made by four of the five Selectmen, regarding the reappointment of Mark Perry, previous Chairman of the Planning Board. Mr. Peppard felt it was very unfair and commended Mark's knowledge and dedicated work while on the Planning Board. Mr. Peppard wanted to know if there was any input from other Planning Board members before making the decision or if there had been any complaints against Mark Perry. Mark Carreira told him he was nominated for reappointment but there was no second, therefore, the motion failed and that was it. Peppard reiterated his thoughts, adding that Mark Perry was a very capable person who signed up to serve the town and ran the meetings as they should be. David Peppard strongly urged the board to give some reconsideration to Mark Perry's reappointment to the Planning Board.

Frank Arisimeek - Expressed to the Board that he can see that the corruption hasn't changed a bit since the former Chairman had stepped down. He was asked by the Chairman to keep it civil or he would close Public Access. After several outbursts from others in attendance, Mark Carreira closed Public Access at 6:45 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made, seconded and passed to go into Executive Session Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A) Personnel Matter, Town Manager at 6:47 p.m.

R. Wood, Jr. / J. Powell Vote 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

Mark Carreira, Chairman

Ray Wood, Jr. Vice- Chairman

David McCluskey

Mamela Charpman Pamela Chapman, Selectmen

loe Powell, Selectmen

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