



# Town of Eddington

906 Main Road Eddington, Maine 04428

## SELECTMEN'S MEETING TUESDAY November 18th, 2014

### MINUTES

**CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE:** Joan Brooks called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** All Selectmen Present, except Charles C. Grover, Jr.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept his absence as excused.

C. Baker, Jr. / M. Shepherd      Vote 4-0.

**MINUTES:** Meeting of October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the meeting.

C. Baker, Jr. / P. Lyford      Vote 4-0.

**PUBLIC ACCESS:** No questions asked at this time.

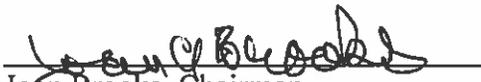
### PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS:

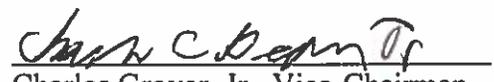
Fire: Chief Ellis gave his report for October. Ellis spoke about activities the department has been busy with, including; Fire Prevention Week at the Elementary School, the Haunted House in October and the recent fall CPR Class. The Fire Department was recently presented with an award, at the Samoset Resort in Rockland. The EFD was selected as EMS Region 4 Service of the Year.

Chief Ellis asked the Board to approve the sale of the old SCBA Bottles and Masks, to the town of Winterport, in the amount of \$2500.00.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the sale. C. Baker, Jr. / P. Lyford      Vote 4-0.

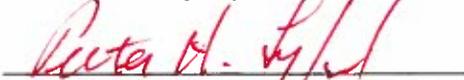
New Pumper Tanker Recommendation – Chief Ellis presented bids. The department received 7 quotes, from the 9 RFP's that were sent. Price quotes ranged from \$316,000 - \$360,000. Ellis recommended the vendor Rosenbauer (formerly Central States) in the amount of \$335,000.00. The truck, a 2-door Freightliner, commercial chassis with 2500 gal water capacity, tandem axle, with a 1250 pump, is made in S. Dakota and requires a 10-month waiting period for delivery. Chief Ellis asked the Town Manager to sign with Rosenbauer, not noting the final numbers until the financing package is complete and available, with no more than \$50, 000 - \$70, 000 payments (7yr note recommended).

  
Joan Brooks, Chairman

  
Charles Grover, Jr., Vice-Chairman

  
Charles Baker, Jr., Selectmen

  
Michael Shepherd, Selectmen

  
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A discussion ensued over single axle vs. dual axle truck pricing. Selectmen C. Baker spoke about how at the town meeting, it was sold to the taxpayers as replacing what we already have, so to speak. Selectmen were in agreement to have Lt. Russell and Chief Ellis go back and ask the bidding vendors if they could price out a single axle (similar replacement) vs. the double, to ensure the taxpayers that the town is being as conservative as possible, on such a purchase. C. Baker suggested picking 2-3 of the vendor to renegotiate pricing and if it results in less than a \$30,000.00 difference, the double axel truck would obviously be a better bang for the buck.

The Selectmen and a businessman & taxpayer from the audience, spoke about how the second time around, companies tend to get more serious, and therefore it could work to the town's advantage to re-bid.

Lt. Craig Russell informed the board that the bids quoted were good for 30 days, some at 45days. He will be in contact with vendors tomorrow.

**POLICE:** Deputy Mason was not on duty to attend the meeting, report was included in selectmen packets.

**ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT:** October report in packets.

**SCHOOL BOARD REPORT:** Rusty Gagnon not able to make meeting.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** Planning Board Resignation – A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the resignation of Frank Higgins, with regret. C. Baker, Jr. / P. Lyford Vote 4-0.

Trash & Recycling Contract – Sullivans Waste has taken over Maine Waste's Contract. Russell spoke about the fact that they will keep the same contract price that Neil Bonneville had for the first year, and holidays are not an issue, if they fall during the week the trash is still picked up on Fridays.

The new owner would like a signed contract in his company's name, which the first year is due to expire in June of 2015. The monthly cost of \$4725.00 includes recycling.

In July the 2<sup>nd</sup> year will increase 2% and a 2% increase for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year.

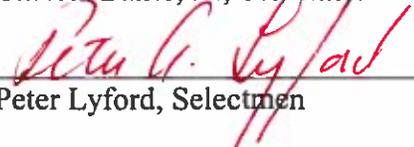
**A motion was made, seconded and passed to allow the town manager to sign the contract.**

**C. Baker, Jr. / M. Shepherd Vote 4-0.**

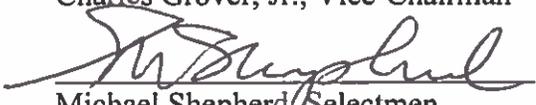
Penobscot River Restoration Trust – Information only regarding the Boat Launch transfer to town. Russell will update board as needed. (It was suggested to include the property in the mowing bid once the town has taken it over.) C. Baker said he would contact Laura Rose Day about extending the boat ramp.

  
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**WARRANT:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign the warrants for November, 2014.

**C. Baker, Jr. / M. Shepherd**

**Vote 4-0.**

**PUBLIC ACCESS:** Selectmen P. Lyford asked what the \$107.00 bill to Streets Towing was for on the warrant. Rescue Truck broke down, as answered by Russell.

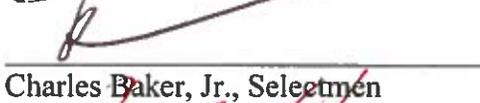
Peter addressed the Chairman about an issue that should have been taken care of 4-5months ago, regarding a plaque honoring a former Selectmen. Joan directed Russell to have this taken care of by the end of the year.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn at 6:55 p.m.

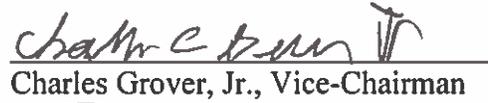
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