

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
TOWN OF EPPING, NEW HAMPSHIRE
May 12, 2014**



ATTENDANCE

Chairman Tom Gauthier; Selectmen James P. McGeough, Tom Dwyer, Bob Jordan, and Mike Yergeau. Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge; Executive Secretary Joyce Blanchard

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gauthier called the public session to order at 7:00 PM at the Epping Town Hall.

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

MINUTES

Minutes from April 28, 2014 were submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to accept the minutes of April 28, 2014. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

SIGNING OF PAYROLL MANIFEST

Payroll manifest for pay period ending 5/8/2014 in the amount of \$94,873.48 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the payroll manifest for pay period ending 5/8/2014 in the amount of \$94,873.48. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

SIGNING OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE MANIFEST

Accounts payable manifest for week ending 5/9/2014 for \$1,094,495.99; \$750,000 for the School, \$81,475 for the Safety Bond Payment, \$47,475.80 for the Hoar Pond Loan and \$215,545.19 is the town was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the Accounts Payable Manifest for week ending 5/9/2014 for \$1,094,495.99. Seconded by Selectman McGeough. Motion carried 5-0.

BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS

Purchase Order for Markings Inc. to stripe the Safety Complex, crosswalks, stop bars, arrows and lines in the amount of \$3,500 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the purchase order for Markings Inc. to stripe the Safety Complex, crosswalks, stop bars, arrows, lines throughout town adding the crosswalk across Main Street to Academy Street and the walking lane along Academy Street to the school driveway in the amount of \$3,500. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

Purchase Order to Immaculate Power Sweeping for 16 hours of street sweeping in the amount of \$1,760 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the purchase order to Immaculate Power Sweeping for 16 hours of street sweeping in the amount of \$1,760. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

Purchase Order to Accucut Tree Service for tree removal in the amount of \$4,000 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the purchase order to Accucut Tree Service for tree removal in the amount of \$4,000. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

Agreement to host a collection bin at the Transfer Station for Planet Aid at 5 cents a pound was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the agreement to host a collection bin at the Transfer Station for Planet Aid at 5 cents a pound with TA Gregory C. Dodge signing on behalf on the Board of Selectmen. Seconded by Selectman McGeough. Motion carried 5-0.

Purchase Order for Richard Levine to repair the handicapped ramp in the amount of \$5,225 was submitted for approval. Discussion regarding repairing the ramp for 2-4 years and putting money into the budget for the ramp replacement versus replacing the ramp at this time followed.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to use Selectman Yergeau's information he gathered regarding pricing of the ramp as a guideline to write and send an RFP for replacing the handicapped ramp and repointing the brickwork.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to table the purchase order for Richard Levine to repair the handicapped ramp in the amount of \$5,225. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

Road Supervisor David Reinhold requested direction from the board regarding Comac and Ginaco Roads. Some of the residents have grown their lawns to the road edge along with sprinklers. Mr. Reinhold needs to put in drainage that will disturb the lawns. He would like to construct the 3 foot shoulders throughout the development. Chairman Gauthier requested sending an explanation letter and an invite to the Selectmen's meeting to all the residents for discussion.

Chairman Gauthier asked Road Supervisor David Reinhold what he would do with Tanker 3 from the Fire Department. Mr. Reinhold explained that the Tanker could be used to clean out culverts instead of hiring an outside company. He would like permission to heat the top of the old station, fix the windows and store the vehicle there. Fire Chief Don DeAngelis stated if the tanker went to auction it would only be used for salvage parts.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to transfer Engine 3, removing any markings from the Fire Department to the Public Works Department. Seconded by Selectman Dwyer. Motion carried 5-0.

FIREWORKS

Application for permit to sell fireworks for Joker Fireworks, 9 Elm Street was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the application for the permit to sell fireworks at Joker Fireworks, 9 Elm Street. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

Fire Chief Don DeAngelis updated the Board of Selectmen regarding the departments overtime. He hopes to staff differently next year.

LAND USE CHANGE TAX

Land Use Change Tax for Delle Chiaie Construction on Red Oak Hill Road, Map and Lot 009-022-001 in the amount of \$7,500 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the Land Use Change Tax for Delle Chiaie Construction on Red Oak Hill Road, Map and Lot 009-022-001 in the amount of \$7,500. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 5-0.

Land Use Change Tax for Prescott Orchards Land Development LLC on Cider Street, Map and Lot 014-014-058 in the amount of \$7,000 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the Land Use Change Tax for Land Use Change Tax for Prescott Orchards Land Development LLC on Cider Street, Map and Lot 014-014-058 in the amount of \$7,000. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 5-0.

ETV

Purchase Order for Access A/V for 2 staging systems that will hold the tripods above the heads of crowds along with a microphone package in the amount of \$5,098 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the purchase order for Access A/V for 2 staging systems that will hold the tripods above the heads of crowds along with a microphone package in the amount of \$5,098. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 5-0.

CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

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Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge updated the Board of Selectmen regarding the complaints coming from a resident on 227 Main Street. The driveway has been corrected the best way possible from the Road Supervisor. Selectman Yergeau agrees with what the town has done. That project has been completed.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge reminded the Board of Selectmen that the Auditors will be here at the next meeting.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge announced that the flags are in to be handed out during the Memorial Day Parade. Will there be any Selectmen walking in the parade and handing out the flags? Selectmen Jordan and Yergeau will be available.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge stated that Senator Ayotte will have her Staff Outreach Visit here on Friday, May 30th, 10:30-11:30 am.

Purchase Order to Dennis Gagnon Construction and Remodeling for window repairs and replacement in the auditorium of the Town Hall in the amount of \$6,470 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the purchase order to Dennis Gagnon Construction and Remodeling for window repairs and replacement in the auditorium of the Town Hall in the amount of \$6,470. Seconded by Selectman McGeough. Motion carried 4-1. Selectman Yergeau abstained.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge asked the Board to review a purchase order without mentioning the quote amount from the vendor for the wooden floor upstairs in the auditorium.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer requesting 2 more quotes to replace the floor and 3 quotes to repair the wooden floor upstairs in the auditorium. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge announced a “Book Sale/Yard Sale” on Saturday, June 14th 9-1 PM in the parking lot behind the library.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to allow the “Book Sale/Yard Sale” on Saturday, June 14th 8-2 PM in the parking lot behind the library. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

INDIVIDUAL SELECTMEN’S REPORTS

Selectman McGeough

No Report

Selectman Yergeau

No Report

Selectman Jordan

No report

Selectman Dwyer

Selectman Dwyer stated that he liked seeing the progress being made on Main Street regarding the sidewalks.

Selectman Dwyer announced that the 275th Birthday Bash Committee is selling t-shirts, \$15 for adults, \$12 for youth. They are available here at the Town Hall.

Selectman Gauthier

Selectman Gauthier stated that the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 27th as Monday is Memorial Day.

AUDIENCE

John Grammas who is a property owner on Route 125 spoke of his plans and concerns regarding his property. Mr. Grammas has spoken to DOT regarding his plans to build a road behind Walgreen's to Railroad Avenue connecting to McDonalds. He is hoping to buy some of the railroad bed and add a traffic light on Calef Highway in front of McDonalds. This would mean that Main Street would be changed to a one way street. Mr. Grammas is looking for verbal approval from the Board of Selectmen to go forward with this plan. Chairman Gauthier explained that the Board of Selectmen does not have any authority of this plan; Mr. Grammas needs to meet with the State Department, Building Department and the Planning Board.

Mr. Grammas added that he is worried the new sidewalks and catch basins will add water to his property and that would affect the future development. Selectman Yergeau assured him that the water will flow to the catch basins and Selectman Dwyer explained the cross walk project.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to adjourn. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

**Joyce Blanchard
Executive Secretary**

Thomas Gauthier, Chairman

James P. McGeough

Tom Dwyer, Selectman

Bob Jordan, Selectman

Mike Yergeau, Selectman

Date _____