

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
TOWN OF EPPING, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

May 9, 2016



ATTENDANCE

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

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gauthier called the public session to order at 6:30 PM at the Epping Town Hall.

ADJOURN TO NON-PUBLIC 91: A: 3 II. (a)(b) Personnel; hiring

Motion by Selectman Gauthier to adjourn to Non-Public Session. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 4-0. Roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously.

Motion by Chairman Jordan to exit the Non-Public Session. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 4-0.

RECONVENE

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

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

MINUTES

Minutes from April 25, 2016 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to accept the minutes of April 25, 2016. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 4-0.

SIGNING OF PAYROLL MANIFEST

Payroll manifest for pay period ending 5/5/2016 in the amount of \$95,877.88 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve the payroll manifest for pay period ending 5/5/2016 in the amount of \$95,877.88. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 4-0.

SIGNING OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE MANIFEST

Accounts payable manifest for week ending 5/6/2016 at \$1,142,277.04; \$800,000 for the school, \$27,730.00 for the truck lease payment, \$70,025 for the safety facility bond payment and \$244,522.04 for the town was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve the Accounts Payable Manifest for week ending 5/6/2016 at 1,142,277.04. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 4-0.

PRESENTATION

Superintendent Valerie McKenney presented the 275th commemorative buttons that the students designed at the schools to the Board of Selectmen. There was a contest at each school to contribute to the 275th Birthday Celebration and these are the winning buttons; Abigail Dulin won from the Class of 2016, Ryan MacVigar won from the Class of 2021 and Sarah McTague won from the class of 2024. The buttons can be purchased at the Epping Town Hall for \$3.00 a set. Only 250 buttons were created. A shadow box with the buttons will be presented to the Historical Society.

BUSINESS

RECREATION

Request for approval to hire Jasmine Yelle as Assistance Supervisor of Summer camp at \$11.00 an hour, Rachel Carlson and Brittany E. Howard as Lead Staff members during Summer Camp at \$10.00 and Rachael Purington as Summer Camp staff at \$9.00 an hour was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve the hiring of Jasmine Yelle as Assistance Supervisor of Summer camp at \$11.00 an hour, Rachel Carlson and Brittany E. Howard as Lead Staff members during Summer Camp at \$10.00 and Rachael Purington as Summer Camp staff at \$9.00 an hour pending the background checks. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 4-0.

CARTOGRAPHIC ASSOCIATES

2017 Tax Map Maintenance Proposal from Cartographic Associates in the amount of \$1,950 was submitted for approval. This is the same price as last year.

Motion by Selectman Yergeau to approve the 2017 Tax Map Maintenance Proposal from Cartographic Associates in the amount of \$1,950. Seconded by Selectman McGeough. Motion carried 4-0.

LAND USE CHANGE TAX

Land Use Change Tax for addresses, maps and lots 70 Apple Way 014-014-072; 80 Apple Way 014-014-071; 66 Apple Way 014-014-073; 64 Apple Way 014-014-074; 75 Apple Way 014-014-85; 71 Apple Way 014-014-087 and 65 Apple Way 014-014-088 in the amount of \$7,500 each was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve the Land Use Change Tax for addresses, maps and lots 70 Apple Way 014-014-072; 80 Apple Way 014-014-071; 66 Apple Way 014-014-073; 64 Apple Way 014-014-074; 75 Apple Way 014-014-85; 71 Apple Way 014-014-087 and 65 Apple Way 014-014-088 in the amount of \$7,500 each. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 4-0.

Land Use Change Tax for address, map and lot 96 Towle Road 004-007-001 in the amount of \$7,500 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Yergeau to approve the Land Use Change Tax for address, map and lot 96 Towle Road 004-007-001 in the amount of \$7,500. Seconded by Selectman Jordan.

Land Use Change Tax for address, map and lots 39 Oak Hill Lane 009-018-002 and 12 Rayemma Drive 009-015-003 in the amount of \$7,500 each was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve the Land Use Change Tax for address, map and lots 39 Oak Hill Lane 009-018-002 and 12 Rayemma Drive 009-015-003 in the amount of \$7,500 each. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 4-0.

Land Use Change Tax for address, map and lot 270 North River Road 011-001 in the amount of \$1,000 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve the Land Use Change Tax for address, map and lot 270 North River Road 011-001 in the amount of \$1,000. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 4-0.

Land Use Change Tax for address, map and lot 14 Sydney Lane 016-061-007 in the amount of \$8,500 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve the Land Use Change Tax for address, map and lot 14 Sydney Lane 016-061-007 in the amount of \$8,500. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 4-0.

VETERAN'S CREDIT

Veteran's Credit for Sullivan Scott, map and lot 016-004 was submitted for approval in 2017.

Motion by Selectman Yergeau to approve the Veteran's Credit for Sullivan Scott, map and lot 016-004 in 2017. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 4-0.

Veteran's Credit for Mark S. Day, map and lot 012-019 was submitted for approval for 2016.

Motion by Selectman Yergeau to deny the Veteran's Credit for Mark S. Day due to 90 days active duty disqualification. Seconded by Selectman McGeough. Motion carried 4-0.

7:15 PUBLIC HEARING

Raymond Rotary member John Gagliardi explained the Alcohol Beer Tent at New England Dragway on May 14, 2016 for the Mud Run. This will be the third time that the Raymond Rotary has run the Beer Tent and they have not had any problems. The servers have all been state certified and there is one beer per participant. There is a fenced in area and you need to be 21. Security checks the identifications.

Chairman Gauthier opened the Public Hearing; as no one was in the audience the Public Hearing was closed.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve the Alcohol Beer Tent at New England Dragway this Saturday, May 14th for the Mud Run. Seconded by Selectman McGeough. Motion carried 4-0.

ELDERLY EXEMPTION

Elderly Exemption Application for the 2016 tax year for Robert and Joanne Frasca, map and lot 018-012, Robin and Raymond DeJoy, map and lot 033-042, Lawrence & Eileen Ellis, map and lot 030-022, Jenanne Simon, map and lot 023-039-029-B and Karolyn White, map and lot 034-017 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve the 2016 Elderly Exemptions for Robert and Joanne Frasca, map and lot 018-012, Robin and Raymond DeJoy, map and lot 033-042, Lawrence & Eileen Ellis, map and lot 030-022, Jenanne Simon, map and lot 023-039-029-B and Karolyn White, map and lot 034-017. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 4-0.

Elderly Exemption Application for the 2016 tax year for Janice Lafleur, map and lot 023-039-008-A and Milton and Cheryl Trenholm, map and lot 012-030 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to deny the Elderly Exemption Application for the 2016 tax year for Janice Lafleur, map and lot 023-039-008-A and Milton and Cheryl Trenholm, map and lot 012-030 due to the income exceeding the Town's current limit. Seconded by Selectman McGeough. Motion carried 4-0.

POLE LICENSE

Public Service Company of New Hampshire dba Eversource Energy is requesting permission to install/replace 4 poles on Fresh River Road.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve Public Service Company of New Hampshire dba Eversource Energy request to install/replace 4 poles on Fresh River Road. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 4-0.

INTENT TO CUT

Intents to Cut by Joseph Patterson on Shirking Road, map and lot 035-026 and Richard Boisvert on Prescott Road, map and lot 21-019-001 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve the Intents to Cut by Joseph Patterson on Shirking Road, map and lot 035-026 and Richard Boisvert on Prescott Road, map and lot 21-019-001. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 4-0.

ABATEMENT

Abatement for Andrea Venio, 33 Cider Street, map and lot 014-014-040 in the amount of \$604.40 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve the abatement for Andrea Venio, 33 Cider Street, map and lot 014-014-040 in the amount of \$604.40. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 4-0.

EXEMPTION

Exemption Application for Exeter Med Real Inc., map and lot 30-007 for the year 2016 was submitted for approval. The town has entered into a PILOT program instead of having a charitable exemption for this property.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve the Exemption Application for Exeter Med Real Inc., map and lot 30-007 for the year 2016. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 4-0.

275th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Purchase Order to JPI Pyrotechnics LLC, Allenstown, NH for Fireworks on August 20th for the 275th Birthday in the amount of \$10,000 was submitted for approval. \$5,000 needs to be sent in with the contract.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve the purchase order to JPI Pyrotechnics LLC, Allenstown, NH for Fireworks on August 20th for the 275th Birthday in the amount of \$10,000. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 4-0.

CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge explained that there will be a Baseball/Softball game at the Epping High School Baseball Field for the OHT (Opertation Hat Trick) on Monday May 16th at 3:45 PM. Caps will be sold to generate funds for the Wounded Warrior Project. The hats cost \$20.00 and can be purchased or reserved through the High School Athletic Department.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge announced that the water band is still in effect. The new wells are not on line yet.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge reminded the Board of Selectmen about the meeting with Rockingham County Commissioners on May 25th at the Hilton Auditorium. Mr. Dodge will need to RSVP if any of the Board is going with him.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge said the Library roof will be fixed on Mary 23rd; weather permitting.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge stated that next Monday there will be a Public Hearing on the Main Street/Elm Street sidewalks at 7 PM.

INDIVIDUAL SELECTMEN'S REPORTS

Selectman McGeough

No Report

Selectman Yergeau

No Report

Selectman Jordan

Selectman Jordan explained the recent vehicle accident at the DAR Park and the broken monument. A big thank you was given to Road Supervisor David Reinhold for repairing the monument so quickly and putting the park back together.

Selectman Jordan reported that the Police Cruiser that was involved in accident is a total loss. The vehicle rolled off the shoulder and into a telephone pole. The insurance will be returning \$20,000 to the general fund. The Police Chief is deciding whether to let Selectman Jordan find a used Police Cruiser or to wait and buy another new Police Cruiser. All the equipment from the cruiser has been salvaged.

Selectman Dwyer

Excused

Selectman Gauthier

No Report

7:30 PUBLIC HEARING

Chairman Gauthier read the Public Hearing notice along with the abutters noticed. Joelle Case proposes to operate a Beauty Shop at 67 Railroad Avenue, map and lot 029-238. All the electric and plumbing has been brought up to code. Mrs. Case will be the only employee. The property had 4 paved parking areas so there will not be any parking on the street parking. Hours of operation will be 8AM-6PM with no Sundays or Mondays. Selectman Jordan doesn't see any problem with this Beauty Shop as it sits between two commercial properties. Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge reported that the Chief of Police and the Code Enforcement Officer approved the site. They are on Town Water and Sewer and realized that there is no outside watering.

Chairman Gauthier opened the Public Hearing; as no one was in the audience the Public Hearing was closed.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve the Beauty Shop at 67 Railroad Avenue, map and lot 029-238. Seconded by Selectman McGeough. Motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURN

Selectman Jordan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Blanchard
Executive Secretary

Tom Gauthier, Selectman

James P. McGeough, Selectman

Mike Yergeau, Selectman

Bob Jordan, Selectman

Date _____