

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
TOWN OF EPPING, NEW HAMPSHIRE
April 10, 2017**



ATTENDANCE

Chairman Tom Gauthier; Selectmen Bob Jordan, Tom Dwyer, Michael Yergeau and Adam Munguia; Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge; Executive Secretary Joyce Blanchard

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

MINUTES

Minutes from the March 27, 2017 Selectmen's meeting was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to accept the minutes of March 27, 2017. Seconded by Selectman Munguia. Motion carried 5-0.

PAYROLL MANIFEST

Payroll manifest for pay period ending 4/6/2017 in the amount of \$103,540.76 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the payroll manifest for pay period ending 4/6/2017 in the amount \$103,540.76. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE MANIFEST

Accounts payable manifest for week ending 4/7/2017 at \$193,586.50; \$10,830.94 for the WEX Bank and \$182,755.56 for the town was submitted.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the accounts payable manifest for period ending 4/7/2017 in the amount \$193,586.50. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

BUSINESS

FIRE

Request for to hire Crystal Frederick as Part Time EMT at \$7.25 an hour was submitted for approval. Fire Chief DeAngelis explained that Ms. Frederick used to be on the Fire Department and he hopes for her reappointment. A background check doesn't need to be done as she works for ETV.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the hiring of Crystal Frederick as Part Time EMT at \$7.25 an hour. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

FIREWORKS LICENSE

Application for a Permit to Sell Fireworks by Garry DeBlasis at Joker Fireworks was submitted for approval. This is a yearly form required by the state for Mr. DeBlasis.

Motion by Selectman Yergeau to approve the application for a Permit to Sell Fireworks by Garry DeBlasis for Joker Fireworks. Seconded by Selectman Dwyer. Motion carried 5-0.

RACEWAY LICENSES

Motor Vehicle Race Track License for Star Speedway was submitted for approval. Code Enforcement Officer Brittany Howard and Building Inspector Dennis Pelletier inspected the property.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the Motor Vehicle Race Track License for Star Speedway pending the owners supplying the insurance form, no races until the insurance form has been turned in. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

Motor Vehicle Race Track License for New England Dragway was submitted for approval. All the appropriate town departments have approved the license.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the Motor Vehicle Race Track License for New England Dragway. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 5-0.

RAFFLE PERMIT

Raffle Permit for the Exeter Junior Baseball & Softball League on April 15 & May 13 at Market Basket was submitted for approval. The drawing will be June 10th.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the Raffle Permit for the Exeter Junior Baseball & Softball League on April 15 & May 13 at Market Basket. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSERVATION

Conservation Commission Appointments for Jeff Conrad, John Bennett and Scott Pim for 3 year terms were submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the Conservation Commission Appointments for Jeff Conrad, John Bennett and Scott Pim for 3 year terms. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

INTENT TO EXCAVATE

Intent to Excavate for Louise Beard on Coffin Road, Map and Lot 023-102 was submitted for approval. A \$470 bond has been paid.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the Intent to Excavate for Louise Beard on Coffin Road, Map and Lot 023-102. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

TIMBER TAX

Timber Tax for Gerald & Patricia Langdon on North River Road, Map and Lots 011-003, 4 & 6 in the amount of \$503.56 and Robert Webber at 176 Exeter Road, Map and lot 038-009 in the amount of \$819.83 were submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the Timber Tax for Gerald & Patricia Langdon on North River Road, Map and Lots 01-003, 4 & 6 in the amount of \$503.56 and Robert Webber at 176 Exeter Road, Map and lot 038-009 in the amount of \$819.83. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

TOWN FIREWORKS

JPI Pyrotechnics proposal and Purchase Order for \$10,000 to have Fireworks on August 19th at 9 pm at the High School Field was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the JPI Pyrotechnics proposal and Purchase Order for \$10,000 to have Fireworks on August 19th at 9 pm at the High School Field and giving permission to Chairman Gauthier to sign the contract on behalf of the Board of Selectmen. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

RENTAL HALL AGREEMENT

Rental of Town Facilities for the Chase Auditorium on April 12, 5:30- 7:00 PM for a State House informational meeting. Mr. Morrison is asking for the fees to be waived.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the Rental of Town Facilities for the Chase Auditorium on April 12, 5:30- 7:00 PM for a State House informational meeting along with waiving the rental cost. Seconded by Selectman Munguia. Motion carried 5-0.

CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge reminded everyone that the Transfer Station will be closed Sunday. Regular hours on Wednesday and Saturday.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge requested the Board to authorize the Finance Director Lisa Fogg and himself as representatives regarding the Water and Sewer grant that was a warrant article. This is to streamline the loan process.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve the authorization of Finance Director Lisa Fogg and Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge as representatives regarding the Water and Sewer grant/loan that was a warrant article. Seconded by Selectman Dwyer. Motion carried 5-0.

The Legion Commander stopped at the Town Hall today and talked about moving the Memorial Day Parade to Sunday instead of Monday, holding Monday as a rain date. There are some concerns to consider such as traffic from local churches. Selectman Munguia will attend the Legion's next meeting and will report back to the board.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge asked the Board to sign the mutual support for intersection safety improvements at NH 125/155 with the town of Lee agreement. The safety improvements were agreed upon but not finalized with signatures.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge added a Large Assembly Permit for a 5K Obstacle Race to be held at New England Dragway on May 20th. Mr. Dodge reported it was already on the event list for NE Dragway but it was completed and asked the board for their approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the Large Assembly Permit for a 5K Obstacle Race to be held at New England Dragway on May 20th, 8am-4pm. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

An Intent to Cut came in late for Jerry Thayer on San Antonio Drive, Maps and Lots 33-029+070 and 034-004 and is being submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the Intent to Cut for Jerry Thayer on San Antonio Drive, Maps and Lots 33-029+070 and 034-004. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge provided a purchase order to Swenson Granite Works for 8 granite posts for the Town signs in the amount of \$2,422 was submitted by Mr. Vose for approval. Discussion regarding funding and accepting donations for the granite posts continued.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve the a purchase order to Swenson Granite Works for 8 granite posts for the Town signs in the amount of \$2,422. Seconded by Selectman Munguia. Motion carried 5-0.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge thanked Recreation Director Nicole Bizzaro for doing a fantastic job organizing the father/daughter dance.

INDIVIDUAL SELECTMEN'S REPORTS

Selectman Munguia

No report

Selectman Yergeau

No report

Selectman Jordan

Selectman Jordan asked if the sidewalks were going to be fixed near the water main break. That part of the sidewalk was on the schedule to be fixed before the water break. Instead of asphalt the walkway will stay brick.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve Road Supervisor David Reinhold to fix the sidewalk near the water main break. Seconded by Selectman Dwyer. Motion carried 5-0.

Chairman Gauthier asked if something could be done in the future as the snow blower chews up the bricks.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge announced that the Hydrant Flow Test will be on Tuesday at 10 PM, expect water to be brown. Just like when accidents happen with the water main breaking. Sometimes these things just happen so when the phone calls come into the town hall, there isn't anything that can be done.

Selectman Dwyer

Selectman Dwyer would like some work done on the turning lanes near the school. There are pot holes on the side of the road and if not filled with dirt the road might be undermined.

Selectman Dwyer updated the Board regarding the Planner Brittany Howard having to consult legal counsel on the Dick Fisher land issue. Selectman Dwyer would like the Board of Selectmen to watch the Planning Board meeting when this subject was discussed.

Selectman Gauthier

Chairman Gauthier thanked Recreation Director Nicole Bizzaro for doing a great job on the Father/Daughter dance.

AUDIENCE

April Eaton from Mast Road would like to talk to the person in charge of the forest cutting behind her house. She will come into the Town Hall and get the phone number for Jerry Langdon.

ADJOURN

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

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

**Joyce Blanchard
Executive Secretary**

Tom Gauthier, Chairman

Tom Dwyer, Selectman

Adam Munguia, Selectman

Bob Jordan, Selectman

Michael Yergeau, Selectman

Date _____