

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
TOWN OF EPPING, NEW HAMPSHIRE
January 14, 2018**



ATTENDANCE

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

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Munguia called the public session to order at 6:30 pm at the Epping Town Hall.

ENTER IN TO NON-PUBLIC 91:A:3 II. (b)

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to enter in to Non-Public Session. Seconded by Selectman Belanger. Motion carried 5-0. Roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously.

Motion by Selectman Belanger to exit the Non-Public Session. Seconded by Selectman Dwyer. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC SESSION

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

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

PRESENTATION

The Board of Selectman honored Mike Wallace with a plaque from the town for serving on the Police Department for 30 years. Captain Jason Newman read a letter of appreciation and thanked Mikes family and officers for coming to the presentation. After a standing ovation Chief Wallace thanked the Board of Selectman, Town Administrator, the Police Department and his family for all the support over the years.

NON-PUBLIC MINUTES

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to accept the non-public minutes from January 14, 2019. Seconded by Selectman Belanger. Motion carried 5-0.

MINUTES

Minutes from the January 8, 2019 Selectmen's meeting was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to accept the minutes of January 8, 2019. Seconded by Selectman Belanger. Motion carried 4-0-1. Bob Jordan abstained.

POLICE GRANT ACCEPTANCE

Captain Jason Newman requested the Board of Selectmen to accept the Walmart Community Grant in the amount of \$2,500. The grant money will be used for a Smart TV in the training room along with an earbud system for the interview room.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to accept the Walmart Community Grant in the amount of \$2,500 giving the Police Department permission to spend the money as stated. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

PAYROLL MANIFEST

Payroll manifest for pay period ending 1/10/2019 in the amount of \$124,754.08 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the payroll manifest for pay period ending 1/10/2019 in the amount of \$124,754.08. Seconded by Selectman Belanger. Motion carried 5-0.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE MANIFEST

Accounts payable manifest for week ending 1/10/2019 at \$100,257.10 is for the town was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the accounts payable manifest for period ending 1/10/2019 at \$100,257.10. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

BUSINESS

FIRE

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve all 3 rate increases at the same time. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

Rate increases for Zachary Marcoux from \$13.50 to \$14.00 as he passed the firefighter 2 class, Jacob DiGiovanni from \$14.50 to \$15.00 as he passed the firefighter 2 class and Tiffany Pickering from \$14.00-\$18.00 as she has earned her paramedic license were submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the rate increases for Zachary Marcoux from \$13.50 to \$14.00 as he passed the firefighter 2 class, Jacob DiGiovanni from \$14.50 to \$15.00 as he passed the firefighter 2 class and Tiffany Pickering from \$14.00-\$18.00 as she has earned her paramedic license. Seconded by Selectman Belanger. Motion carried 5-0.

DPW

Purchase Order #162 to Granite State Minerals for 1,000 tons of Rock Salt in the amount of \$47,000 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve Purchase Order #162 to Granite State Minerals for 1,000 tons of Rock Salt in the amount of \$47,000. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

APPOINTMENT

Appointment for James Rogier to the Historic District Commission for a 3 year term was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the appointment for James Rogier to the Historic District Commission for a 3 year term. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

ABATEMENTS

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve all 4 abatements at the same time. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

Abatements presented are regarding to overpayment due to being approved for Elderly Exemption after the 1st billing in 2018; Marguerite Church in the amount of \$1,018.47, Paul Hurteau in the amount of \$1,255.50, Raymond Krueger in the amount of \$466.60 and Christopher & Laurie Stevens in the amount of \$513.71.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the following abatements; Marguerite Church in the amount of \$1,018.47, Paul Hurteau in the amount of \$1,255.50, Raymond Krueger in the amount of \$466.60 and Christopher & Laurie Stevens in the amount of \$513.71. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 5-0.

VETERANS CREDIT

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve all 10 Veteran Credits at the same time. Seconded by Selectman Yergeau. Motion carried 5-0.

All-Veterans Tax Veteran's Credits for Walter Bayerle at map and lot 023-039-008-D, Joseph Meoli at map and lot 029-029, Dexter Hodgeman at map and lot 022-076-013, Douglas Stripp at map and lot 033-032, Michael Crane at map and lot 015-003-001, David Faithian at map and lot 023-039-017-D, Thomas Bell at map and lot 023-039-025-D, Robert Martin at map and lot 018-026, Robert Klasner at map and lot 023-039-021-D and Scott Bacon at map and lot 014-014-006 were submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Jordan to approve the All-Veterans Tax Veteran's Credits for Walter Bayerle at map and lot 023-039-008-D, Joseph Meoli at map and lot 029-029, Dexter Hodgeman at map and lot 022-076-013, Douglas Stripp at map and lot 033-032, Michael Crane at map and lot 015-003-001, David Faithian at map and lot 023-039-017-D, Thomas Bell at map and lot 023-039-025-D, Robert Martin at map and lot 018-026, Robert Klasner at map and lot 023-039-021-D and Scott Bacon at map and lot 014-014-006. Seconded by Selectman Dwyer. Motion carried 5-0.

CLERK AND TAX

Contract with Sanders Searches LLC for \$11.00 per search during the tax deeding process was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Yergeau to approve the contract with Sanders Searches LLC for \$11.00 per search during the tax deeding process. Seconded by Selectman Dwyer. Motion carried 5-0.

CANDIDATES NIGHT

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge requested guidance on setting a date for the Candidates Night Forum. The meeting room is free February 27th if that meets with the board's approval. Robert Goodrich has been the moderator in the past for this night or should the new moderator Katherine Cooper be contacted. Mr. Dodge will contact both people hoping one is free on the February 27th.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve February 27th to hold Candidates Night. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

WATER AND SEWER

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge presented an appointment slip for John Dold to fill a vacancy on the Water and Sewer Commission until March 12, 2019. Town Administrator Dodge acknowledged that Mr. Dold had been "interviewed" prior to the meeting and his appointment is supported by the Water and Sewer Commissioners.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the appointment of John Dold to fill a vacancy on the Water and Sewer Commission until March 12, 2019. Seconded by Selectman Belanger. Motion carried 5-0.

Selectman Belanger requested a revote on the Water and Sewer Warrant Article #24 to disband by roll call. Selectman Belanger – Yeah, Selectman Yergeau – Yeah, Selectman Dwyer – Nay, Selectman Munguia – Yeah, Selectman Jordan – Yeah. Motion carried 4-1. Selectman Belanger asked Selectman Dwyer if he was inclined to change his vote, Selectman Dwyer answered he was happy with the way he voted.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge provided a Rental of Town Facilities form for Sean Morrison to use the upstairs town meeting room on March 1st, 4 PM – 7 PM for a job fair and requesting a waiver of fees.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approved the Rental of Town Facilities for Sean Morrison to use the upstairs town meeting room on March 1st, 4 PM – 7 PM for a job fair and waive the fees. Seconded by Selectman Belanger. Motion carried 5-0.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge submitted the Default Budget state form MS-DTB for signatures.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge announced the list of vacancies for town offices is on the website. Signups will be Jan 23-Feb 1st at 5 PM at the Clerk's Office.

Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge asked for a non-public meeting after the public meeting to discuss the Town Report dedication.

INDIVIDUAL SELECTMEN'S REPORTS

Selectman Belanger

Selectman Belanger would like the Selectmen to add other devices to share town information with residents.

Selectman Yergeau

No Report

Selectman Dwyer

Selectman Dwyer wished Selectmen Yergeau and Mr. Dodge a Happy Birthday.

Selectman Dwyer asked about the team building meeting on Thursday, January 17th 4-5. He is going to try to attend.

Selectman Jordan

Selectman Jordan reported there was structure fire of a barn on Prescott Road last night. On a heavier note a serious accident on Route 101 took the lives of a husband and wife from Townsend MA. He had recently retired from the Police Department there and is a heck of a loss. Condolences to all the family.

Selectman Munguia

Selectman Munguia wished Selectmen Yergeau and Mr. Dodge a Happy Birthday.

ENTER IN TO NON-PUBLIC 91:A:3 II. (c)

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to enter in to Non-Public Session at 8:40 PM. Seconded by Selectman Belanger. Motion carried 5-0. Roll call vote was taken and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

**Joyce Blanchard
Executive Secretary**

Adam Munguia, Chairman

Tom Dwyer, Selectman

Bob Jordan, Selectman

Mike Yergeau, Selectman

Cody Belanger, Selectman

Date _____ 1/28/2019 _____