

Town of Embden



Minutes of the Board of Selectpersons

February 4, 2013

19:00 PM Meeting held at the Embden Town Office

In attendance was: Rodney Hatch, Wayne McLaughlin, Eric Morrill, Elizabeth Pratt, Charles Taylor, and Bonnie Baker.

- 1 Charles Taylor called the meeting to order at 19:02.
- 2 The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3 **Consent Agenda:**
 - 3.1 Approved the minutes of the Board of Selectpersons dated January 21, 2012 as written.(3-0)
 - 3.2 Reviewed Warrant #3 totaling \$41,277.30. (3-0)
- 4 **Appointments & Resignations:** None.
- 5 **Department Officials Reports:**
 - 5.1 **E-911** – No Report.
 - 5.2 **Winter Roads Contractor** –
 - 5.2.1 C. Taylor stated that Shirley Ainsworth wanted to be able to go to work at 6am on days that school was canceled. He said that she had to take a vacation day during the last storm.
 - 5.2.2 E. Pratt asked about the ice built up by Kenneth Ingall's driveway. E. Morrill replied that water runs down the driveway and across the road.
 - 5.2.3 E. Morrill asked the BOS to "just give him a call" if anything came up. He added that if he was at the shop he had guys that were around, and if he was expecting any inclement weather he would be around.
 - 5.3 **Animal Control** – BOS reviewed written report from ACO.
 - 5.4 **Board of Assessors** –
 - 5.4.1 R. Hatch stated he had spoken with MRS about feedback on changing to a different budget year. He said they recommended talking to 2 different towns that had recently undergone this change. He stated he had spoken to Orland, and they had recommended doing 3 payments. He stated they had told him that there was a lot of confusion on the 3rd payment, regardless of how it was explained. He stressed that information needed to be clearly communicated with the mortgage companies to avoid huge jumps in people's escrow accounts. He stated they had also told him that budgeting was much better this way.
 - 5.4.2 R. Hatch stated that they had just gotten drafts of the updated tax maps.
 - 5.4.3 He said they had sent out the first 100 of the Sample Batch last week, and the other ½ would go out this week.
 - 5.5 **Planning Board** –No Report.
 - 5.6 **Plumbing Inspector** – No Report.
 - 5.7 **Board of Appeals** – No Report.
 - 5.8 **Code Enforcement Officer** – No Report.
 - 5.9 **Health Officer** – No Report.
 - 5.10 **Road Commissioner** – No Report.
 - 5.11 **R.S.U. #74** – No Report.
 - 5.12 **Recreational Director** - No Report.
 - 5.13 **Town Clerk/Treasurer** –
 - 5.13.1 B. Baker stated the auditor would be here Wednesday, and planned to have the short audit completed by Wednesday afternoon.
 - 5.13.2 She stated that she mailed out 21 foreclosure notices for the 2010 taxes which were due 2/22.
 - 5.14 **Registrar of Voters:**
 - 5.14.1 BOS reviewed and signed Annual Town Meeting warrant.

- 5.14.2 B. Baker stated the elections class had been full, so she would be in the office tomorrow.
- 5.15 Tax Collector** – BOS reviewed written report from TC.
- 5.16 Community Center** –
- 5.16.1 W. McLaughlin stated there would be a stuffed pork chop supper Saturday night.
 - 5.16.2 He stated he did not have the figures, but had been told that the dance didn't do well.
 - 5.16.3 He said there would be an Elvis impersonator next Saturday.
 - 5.16.4 He said the next meeting would be tomorrow night at 18:30.
 - 5.16.5 W. McLaughlin said the lift was at the ECCtr to install the fans.
 - 5.16.6 He stated the kitchen would be open from 12:00-13:00 on the day of town meeting to sell dynamites, chili, and hotdogs.
 - 5.16.7 He said there would be a corned beef and cabbage supper on February 9th.
 - 5.16.8 He said February 23rd, Pat Libby would perform.
 - 5.16.9 He stated they were getting information and pricing on handgun safety classes.
 - 5.16.10 C. Taylor stated the Lions may be interested in holding suppers at the ECCtr again.
 - 5.16.11 C. Taylor stated Bob's would begin installing the new heating system on February 11th. W. McLaughlin asked what they were doing with the oil tanks. He asked whether they would be brought over to the town office. C. Taylor stated if they were not in the way they should be left at the ECCtr until spring. He added that R. Young wanted one of the tanks.
 - 5.16.12 W. McLaughlin stated he would speak with Michael Carey about capping the chimney.
 - 5.16.13 He said that he wanted to send back the 200' coax cables and order 50' and 100' lengths.
- 5.17 Emergency Management Directors** – No Report.
- 6 Board of Selectpersons Concerns:**
- 6.1 C. Taylor stated that they had 2 individuals interested in doing the cleaning at the town office. He stated Tracy Taylor and Shannon Leahy were both interested. BOS discussed. Tabled until next meeting.
- 7 New Business:** None.
- 8 Old Business:** None
- 9 Correspondence:** None.
- 10 Community Relations, Announcements, and Open Public Forum:**
- 10.1 Open Public Forum:**
 - 10.1.1 E. Morrill requested that a Cub Scout donation jar be placed at the Town Office to raise money for badges and to pay for scouts to attend camp. E. Pratt made a motion to allow the Cub Scouts to have a donation jar at the Town Office. (3-0)
- 11 Executive Session (Non-Public) (ME §405):**
- 11.1 C. Taylor made a motion (2nd – E. Pratt) to go into executive session pursuant to 36 MRSA § 841 (2). (3-0) BOS entered executive session at 20:12. C. Taylor made a motion (2nd – W. McLaughlin) to come out of executive session. (3-0) Meeting resumed at 20:23. C. Taylor stated no action would be taken.
- 12 Next Meeting Announcement & Adjournment**
- 12.1 Next Regular Selectperson's Meeting – Monday, February 18, 2013.
 - 12.2 Motion to adjourn made by W. McLaughlin (2nd - E. Pratt). (3-0) Adjourned 20:24.

*Minutes submitted by:
Bonnie A. Baker*