

Town of Embden



Minutes of the Board of Selectpersons

January 20, 2014

19:00 PM Meeting held at the Embden Town Office

In attendance was: William Atwood, Wayne McLaughlin, Elizabeth Pratt, Charles Taylor, and Bonnie Baker.

1. Charles Taylor called the meeting to order at 19:13.
2. **Consent Agenda:**
 - 2.1. Approved the minutes of the Board of Selectpersons dated January 7, 2014 as written (2-0).
 - 2.2. Reviewed Warrant #2014-002 totaling \$147,691.58 (3-0).
 - 2.2.1. C. Taylor stated that the payment to Mattingly was for blocks for the sand shed, and should be taken from the Sand Shed building maintenance line, and not from the Summer Roads account.
3. **Appointments & Resignations:** None.
4. **Department Officials Reports:**
 - 4.1. **E-911 –**
 - 4.1.1. W. McLaughlin stated that E. Ketchum was requesting an article in the ATM Warrant to accept 2 new roads in town. C. Taylor asked what the names of the roads were. B. Baker stated they were: Ginger Lane and Brook Drive.
 - 4.1.2. W. McLaughlin said that E. Ketchum had not known about the budget meeting until that morning.
 - 4.2. **Winter Roads Contractor –No Report.**
 - 4.2.1. C. Taylor stated that he had made plenty of calls to him about concerns of the town, but I think they have made some headway.
 - 4.2.2. He stated they were out grading last night, but they waited a little too long to get to the back roads. He said he received a call from James Devona insisting that the town have Ellery Witham grade the roads. He continued, “I told him simply it is included in the [winter roads] contract, so why spend the extra money. [The contractor has] to scrape the roads down. He asked me how come we did the Fahi Pond Road. I don’t know why they did the Fahi Pond Road.” E. Pratt added that she had someone come to her house because one of the plow truck drivers told them that they were not going to worry about the back roads, they were only going to worry about the main roads.” C. Taylor replied, “They need to do all of the roads.”
 - 4.2.3. W. McLaughlin said, “I’ve been on some of the other towns’ roads, and Embden is better than most that I have been on.” E. Pratt concurred. W. McLaughlin added, “I think they have done a good job.”
 - 4.2.4. C. Taylor advised that they had put blocks out in front of the sand at the sand shed.
 - 4.2.5. E. Pratt stated she was getting asked why one person who sands for profit is getting their vehicle loaded by one of the plow truck drivers, while the other contractors in town are having to buy their own sand.
 - 4.3. **Animal Control – BOS reviewed written report.**
 - 4.3.1. BOS discussed a complaint about an unlicensed dog that was received.
 - 4.4. **Board of Assessors – No Report.**
 - 4.5. **Planning Board – No Report.**
 - 4.6. **Plumbing Inspector – No Report.**
 - 4.7. **Board of Appeals – No Report.**
 - 4.8. **Code Enforcement Officer –No Report.**
 - 4.9. **Health Officer – No Report.**
 - 4.10. **Road Commissioner – No Report.**
 - 4.11. **R.S.U. #74 – No Report.**
 - 4.12. **Recreational Director – No Report.**
 - 4.13. **Town Clerk/Treasurer –**
 - 4.13.1. B. Baker submitted a Check Reconciliation report.
 - 4.13.2. She submitted a Treasurer’s Report.
 - 4.13.3. She submitted the finalized budget worksheets.
 - 4.14. **Registrar of Voters:**
 - 4.14.1. B. Baker stated she had nothing to report at this time.

4.15. Tax Collector – No report.

4.16. Community Center –

4.16.1. W. McLaughlin said W. Atwood would cut out the spot in the floor that is bad to determine what is going on with that. He added that they were looking at removing the wood floor and replacing it with vinyl tiles.

4.16.2. He said he would check on pricing for the windows, and the new room for the kitchen.

4.16.3. He said S. LeHay would be moving the gate in the fence to aid in plowing.

4.16.4. W. McLaughlin said down the road they would need to do something about where the snow comes off the roof by the kitchen.

4.16.5. E. Pratt stated they were planning a raffle to raise money for John Mullin. E. Pratt said L. Witham had talked about doing a chicken parmesan supper to raise money until he realized how many people would most likely attend.

4.16.6. W. McLaughlin said there would be a supper on February 8.

4.17. Emergency Management Directors – No Report.

5. Board of Selectpersons Concerns: None.

6. New Business: None.

7. Old Business: None.

8. Correspondence: BOS reviewed correspondence.

9. Community Relations, Announcements, and Open Public Forum:

9.1. Open Public Forum: None

10. Executive Session (Non-Public) (ME §405):

C. Taylor made a motion (2nd – E. Pratt) to enter executive session pursuant to 36 MRSA §841(2) for deliberation on a confidential matter. (3-0)

Entered ES at 20:32.

E. Pratt made a motion (2nd – W. McLaughlin) to come out of ES. (3-0)

Meeting resumed at 20:45.

11. Next Meeting Announcement & Adjournment

11.1. Next Regular Selectperson's Meeting – Monday, February 3, 2014.

11.2. Next Budget Meeting – None Scheduled.

11.3. Motion to adjourn made by E. Pratt (2nd - None). (3-0) Adjourned 20:50.

*Minutes submitted by:
Bonnie A. Baker*