

Town of Embden



Minutes of the Board of Selectpersons

February 3, 2014

19:00 PM Meeting held at the Embden Town Office

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

1. Charles Taylor called the meeting to order at 19:03.
2. **Consent Agenda:**
 - 2.1. Approved the minutes of the Board of Selectpersons dated January 20, 2014 as written (3-0).
 - 2.2. Reviewed Warrant #2014-003 totaling \$37,170.84 (3-0).
3. **Appointments & Resignations:** None.
4. **Department Officials Reports:**
 - 4.1. **E-911** – No Report.
 - 4.2. **Winter Roads Contractor** –No Report.
 - 4.3. **Animal Control** – No Report.
 - 4.4. **Board of Assessors** –
 - 4.4.1. T. Lamontagne stated they were, “lawyering back up for another abatement case.” She stated that it was another issue with the map. She stated they would go in front of the County Commissioners in February.
 - 4.4.2. She asked if they could discuss the Knapp case. She asked whether they could meet with the town attorney before issuing a payment. C. Taylor stated he did not want to go against what the town attorney said, and K. Lexier’s position was that the town should pay the abatement but not the legal fees. Discussion continued.
 - 4.4.3. T. Lamontagne stated they were working on a Random Sample again this year.
 - 4.4.4. C. Taylor stated Anson would put money in for their part of the town line this year.
 - 4.5. **Planning Board** –
 - 4.5.1. R. Dunphy stated there were 2 applicants for this month, and had been only 1 last month.
 - 4.5.2. C. Taylor read letter from attorney.
 - 4.5.3. BOS reviewed e-mail submitted by R. Dunphy.
 - 4.5.4. C. Taylor stated there would be a meeting of the PB on 2/13. He added that there would be a meeting preceding that, at 18:00, with the Board of Trustees for the Water District. Discussion continued.
 - 4.6. **Plumbing Inspector** –
 - 4.6.1. R. Dunphy stated he had done the final inspection on Fortins.
 - 4.7. **Board of Appeals** – No Report.
 - 4.8. **Code Enforcement Officer** –
 - 4.8.1. R. Dunphy stated there were only the 2 applicants for this month, and he would add Wong to the agenda.
 - 4.9. **Health Officer** –
 - 4.9.1. R. Dunphy stated he needed to take an online class.
 - 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 list of foreclosed properties. C. Taylor made a motion (2nd – W. McLaughlin) to table discussion until the next meeting.
 - 4.13.2. B. Baker stated she would like to attend a Records Management Training in Bangor on May 15th. C. Taylor made a motion (2nd – W. McLaughlin) to approve. (3-0)
 - 4.13.3. B. Baker stated there were still 58 known unlicensed dogs. She added that there was now (as of 2/1) an additional fee of \$25 per dog, as set by the State.
 - 4.13.4. C. Taylor stated he had received an email from the auditor stating B. Baker was doing a good job.
 - 4.14. **Registrar of Voters:**
 - 4.14.1. B. Baker stated she was preparing for Town Meeting.

4.14.2. She asked whether they would need a Deputy Moderator. C. Taylor said yes. B. Baker stated she would check with John Duff if that was ok with the BOS. C. Taylor said yes.

4.15. Tax Collector – No report.

4.16. Community Center –

4.16.1. W. Atwood submitted estimates for work on the ECCtr:

Windows \$7,860

Kitchen Room 10 x 10 (not including any wiring) \$4,070 *Rough estimate only*

4.16.2. C. Taylor stated S. LeHay had priced out the materials for the gym floor at ~ \$3K. W. Atwood said he could cut a section of floor out to determine why the floor was rising, but he didn't know if the BOS wanted to wait until after Town Meeting.

4.16.3. W. McLaughlin stated they needed to get rid of the snow next to the ECCtr, because it was piled up.

4.16.4. B. Baker asked if the ice rink was functional yet. W. McLaughlin replied, "I don't know, last I knew Scott flooded it."

4.17. Emergency Management Directors –

4.17.1. R. Dunphy stated, "Anson has an issue with Embden people going to the warming shelter in the Anson Fire Station. Doug Cahill says he will take them, but the new Fire Chief is fighting him about it."

4.17.2. He said that the ECCtr could not be a shelter because when the money was good, they made too many of them, and there is already one at Carrabec. W. Atwood asked if there was really that much need here. R. Dunphy replied, "The State doesn't think so." He added that one at the ECCtr would probably be the best one because if they are done at the school then all the towns have to pay for it; where as one at the ECCtr would just be paid for by us. W. McLaughlin asked what a warming center entailed. He asked if the ECC would have to furnish meals. R. Dunphy replied, "Probably, but if you get people from everywhere then you bill the towns that the people came from." Discussion continued. E. Pratt stated they would probably need fans in the gym. R. Dunphy said they should have them anyway.

5. Board of Selectpersons Concerns: None.

6. New Business:

6.1. Review & Sign Annual Town Meeting Warrant:

6.1.1. C. Taylor stated he had just received a donation request from the Moose Alley Riders ATV Club, Inc. CT read letter & BOS discussed request. BOS stated that due to the late nature of the request, it would not be considered for 2014.

6.1.2. BOS reviewed and signed ATM Warrant.

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): None needed.

11. Next Meeting Announcement & Adjournment

11.1. Next Regular Selectperson's Meeting – Monday, February 17, 2014.

11.2. Motion to adjourn made by E. Pratt (2nd - C. Taylor). (3-0) Adjourned 20:30.

*Minutes submitted by:
Bonnie A. Baker*