

Town of Embden



Minutes of the Board of Selectpersons

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April 21, 2014

19:00 PM Meeting held at the Embden Town Office

In attendance was. Carol Dolan, Wayne McLaughlin, Elizabeth Pratt, Charles Taylor, Michael Witham, & Bonnie Baker.

1. Charles Taylor called the meeting to order at 19:07.
2. **Consent Agenda.**
 - 2.1. Approved the minutes of the Board of Selectpersons dated April 7, 2014 as written (3-0).
 - 2.2. Reviewed Warrant #2014-008 totaling \$160,253.64 (3-0).
3. **Appointments & Resignations.**
 - 3.1. Planning Board Member & Alternates –
 - 3.1.1. C. Taylor made a motion (2nd – W. McLaughlin) to appoint Myles Durkin as Planning Board member. (2-0)
 - 3.2. Appeals Board Members –
 - 3.2.1. C. Taylor made a motion (2nd – W. McLaughlin) to appoint John Duff as an Appeals Board Member. (2-0)
 - 3.3. RSU74 School Board Director – Tabled until next meeting.
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. W. McLaughlin stated R. Hatch had met with the Assessors last week to advise them.
 - 4.4.2. He stated they had attended training in Bangor.
 - 4.4.3. He said, “We are waiting for the weather to get good so we can get out & look at some places.”
 - 4.5. Planning Board – No Report.
 - 4.6. Local 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 –
 - 4.10.1. M. Witham stated he had attended a Drainage Seminar last Tuesday at Ken’s in Skowhegan.
 - 4.10.2. He said the grader would be out tomorrow, starting on the Station Road.

- 4.10.3. He stated there had been a washout on the West Shore Road past the pillars.
- 4.10.4. He added that they needed to think about street sweeping.
- 4.10.5. M. Witham said the posters were still up, but May 15th was a common date for taking them down.

4.11.R.S.U. #74 – No Report.

4.12.Recreational Director – No Report.

4.13.Town Clerk/Treasurer –

- 4.13.1. B. Baker stated there were still 25 unlicensed dogs as of April 16th.
- 4.13.2. She submitted a Treasurer's Report.
- 4.13.3. She submitted Check Reconciliation Reports. BOS reviewed & signed.

4.14.Registrar of Voters.

- 4.14.1. B. Baker submitted a list of ballot clerks for the 5/13 election. BOS approved.
- 4.14.2. B. Baker submitted a list of election clerks to be appointed for a 2-year term. BOS appointed.

4.15.Tax Collector – No report.

4.16.Community Center –

- 4.16.1. W. McLaughlin stated Doug Mattieu would be performing April 26th.
- 4.16.2. He said more than 100 people attended the last supper, and they had run out of food.
- 4.16.3. He stated he had not heard anything from Bob Cross yet.
- 4.16.4. He stated he had not heard anything from Dave Winslow about the lights yet.
- 4.16.5. W. McLaughlin said BCF had replaced a leaking valve in the Thrift Store.
- 4.16.6. He stated they had more information on who had done the damage to the lawn at the ECCTR.
- 4.16.7. He said the ECC discussed renovations of the windows & kitchen at the last meeting. He added that W. Atwood would like to do the work now while he wasn't busy. Discussion continued.
- 4.16.8. C. Dolan stated they were refusing the computer from the Town at this time.

4.17.Emergency Management Directors – No Report.

5. Board of Selectpersons Concerns.

- 5.1. W. McLaughlin stated people had concerns about Three Rivers Disposal hauling garbage from Embden residents. C. Taylor stated he would call WM to determine how the contractor was differentiating between refuse collected from the different towns.
- 5.2. C. Taylor stated the Forest Service was looking for someone to replace John Mullin as Town Fire Warden. He said Darrel Rich mentioned that R. Dunphy's father had held the position before George Mullin & R. Dunphy had been upset when he was not appointed to the position at that time. C. Taylor stated that another name that had come up was Claude Dunton. He asked if Eric Baker might be interested. Discussion continued.

6. New Business

- 6.1. Review & Sign Warrant for Special Town Meeting: Tabled until next meeting.

7. Old Business.

- 7.1. Review & Sign Contract for Fire Protection: Tabled until next meeting.

8. Correspondence. None.

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

9.1. Open Public Forum:

- 9.1.1. C. Dolan stated that there was a lot of gravel at the Town House, & how to get rid of it. Discussion continued.

9.1.2. C. Taylor stated that it had been brought to the attention of the BOS that an individual was trying to arrange for burial in an Embden cemetery. He stated they could not find any information with the RoD, but would do more research. He said they needed an opinion by the BOS. He added that he felt a deed and plot placements were needed before allowing any burials. C. Taylor made a motion (2nd – W. McLaughlin) to not allow any burials in current town cemeteries. (2-0) Discussion continued.

10. Executive Session (Non-Public) (ME §405): None needed.

11. Next Meeting Announcement & Adjournment

11.1. Next Regular Selectperson's Meeting – Monday, May 5, 2014.

11.2. Motion to adjourn made by W. McLaughlin (2nd- C. Taylor). (3-0) Adjourned 20:31.

*Minutes submitted by:
Bonnie A. Baker*