

# Town of Embden



## Minutes of the Board of Selectpersons

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February 16, 2015

19:00 PM Meeting held at the Embden Town Office

**Board Members In attendance.** Wayne McLaughlin, Elizabeth Pratt, Charles Taylor

**Board Members Absent.** None

**Other Officials Present.** Leo Mayo, Eric Morrill

**Members of the Public Present.** None

**Secretary.** Bonnie Baker

1. Charles Taylor called the meeting to order at 19:05.
2. **Consent Agenda.**
  - 2.1. Approved the minutes of the Board of Selectpersons dated February 2, 2015 as written (3-0).
  - 2.2. Reviewed Warrant #2015-004 totaling \$155,370.32. (3-0).
3. **Appointments & Resignations:** None.
4. **Department Officials Reports.**
  - 4.1. **E-911 –**
    - 4.1.1. E. Pratt stated E. Ketchum called to say she was not doing anything in this weather.
  - 4.2. **Winter Roads Contractor –**
    - 4.2.1. E. Morrill advised he had more names of people who were plowing snow across roads. Discussion continued.
    - 4.2.2. W. McLaughlin asserted that Nitram was doing a good job.
    - 4.2.3. E. Pratt vocalized, "Kudos to you and your crew!"
  - 4.3. **Animal Control –** No Report.
  - 4.4. **Board of Assessors –** No Report.
  - 4.5. **Planning Board –**
    - 4.5.1. L. Mayo announced there was "not much going on." He added that the board had heard one application at their February meeting.
    - 4.5.2. He communicated that he had been in touch with DEP regarding the proposed ordinance changes, and they had been approved thru the Attorney General. He said they would get back to him on the wording to revoke timber harvesting from town control and place it under the jurisdiction of the Maine Forest Service. C. Taylor asked when they expected to be ready for a Special Town Meeting. L. Mayo responded June or July, once the camp owners had returned so they could be informed.

**4.6. Local Plumbing Inspector –**

4.6.1. L. Mayo remarked that there was not much going on.

**4.7. Board of Appeals –**

4.7.1. C. Taylor noted that there was an appeal scheduled for Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 19:00 at the Town Office.

**4.8. Code Enforcement Officer – No Report**

**4.9. Health Officer – No report.**

**4.10. Road Commissioner – No Report.**

4.10.1. C. Taylor noted that the Road Commissioner would be out of town until March 7<sup>th</sup>.

**4.11. R.S.U. #74 – No Report.**

**4.12. Recreational Director – No Report.**

**4.13. Town Clerk/Treasurer –**

4.13.1. B. Baker advised that the Town Reports would be available at the Town Office tomorrow morning. C. Taylor requested she leave some in the case outside for the two days that the office was closed this week.

4.13.2. B. Baker stated the Worker's Comp audit had been completed.

**4.14. Registrar of Voters.**

4.14.1. B. Baker submitted a list of ballot clerks for Town Meeting. BOS reviewed and appointed.

4.14.2. B. Baker reminded the Board that she would be at elections training on February 23<sup>rd</sup> in Bangor, however it did not affect office hours as the class was on a Monday.

**4.15. Tax Collector –**

4.15.1. BOS reviewed written report.

**4.16. Community Center –**

4.16.1. W. McLaughlin said they had a Supper Saturday (2/14). E. Pratt interjected that it had been attended by approx. 50 people.

4.16.2. He announced the following events:

Doug Mathieu, Danny Taylor, Adam Cates – February 28<sup>th</sup>

Pine Wood Derby – March 14<sup>th</sup>

Pork Roast Dinner – March 14<sup>th</sup>

Boy Scout Sleepover – March 20<sup>th</sup>

Steve & the Good Ole Boys – April 25<sup>th</sup>

4.16.3. He added they would host a free lunch at Town Meeting.

4.16.4. W. McLaughlin mentioned that he had spoken with Don Cole the other day and they had gotten \$50 from the Pepsi machine, and there was another \$20-30 inside the machine.

4.16.5. C. Taylor asked if the AEDs were installed yet. W. McLaughlin replied, "Not yet."

**4.17. Emergency Management Directors – No Report.**

**5. Board of Selectpersons Concerns.**

5.1. C. Taylor declared that Paul Fortin wanted to meet with the BOS regarding the Town withdrawing from RSU#74. He added that the board needed to file a letter of intent with an attorney going on record that the town did not want to incur any costs from the current "addition" to the high school. E. Pratt specified that she felt it was in the town's best interest to look into it. C. Taylor stressed, "We are not saying grab your kids and bring them to Madison, we are saying let's tuition them, to Carrabec." Extensive discussion continued.

**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):**

**11. Next Meeting Announcement & Adjournment**

11.1. Next Regular Selectperson's Meeting – Monday, March 2, 2015.

11.2. Motion to adjourn made by E. Pratt (2<sup>nd</sup> – W. McLaughlin). (3-0) Adjourned 20:02.

*Minutes submitted by:  
Bonnie A. Baker, Town Clerk*