

Town of Embden



Minutes of the Board of Selectpersons

April 3, 2017

19:00 PM Meeting held at the Embden Town Office

Board Members In attendance. Scott LeHay & Charles Taylor

Board Members Absent. Wayne McLaughlin

Other Officials Present. Robert Dunphy, Pam Graf, Eleanor Ketchum, Leo Mayo, Pat Nelson,
& Terriann Lamontagne

Members of the Public Present. Amanda & Eric Morrill, & Darren Priest

Minutes Taken By. Bonnie Baker

1. Charles Taylor called the meeting to order at 19:04.
2. **Consent Agenda.**
 - 2.1. Approved the minutes of the Board of Selectpersons dated March 20, 2017 as written (2-0).
 - 2.2. Approved Warrant #2017-007 totaling \$46,261.85. (2-0).
3. **Appointments & Resignations.** The following officials were nominated and voted by the BOS:
 - 3.1. Animal Control Officer– Pam Graf for a term of 1-year
Deputy Animal Control Officer – Tabled until next meeting
 - 3.2. Board of Appeals Members – Tabled until next meeting
 - 3.3. Code Enforcement Officer & Alternate/Deputy – Tabled until next meeting
 - 3.4. E-911 Addressing Officer – Eleanor Ketchum for a term of 1-year
 - 3.5. Emergency Management Director(s) – Robert Dunphy for a term of 1-year
 - 3.6. Health Officer – Leo Mayo for a term of 3-years
 - 3.7. Licensed Plumbing Inspector – Leo Mayo for a term of 1-year
Alternate Licensed Plumbing Inspector – Leo Mayo for a term of 1-year
 - 3.8. Planning Board Member – Dwight Barron for a term of 5-years
 - 3.9. Planning Board Alternates – Janice Welch for a term of 1-year (One position remains vacant & was tabled)
 - 3.10. Recreation Director – Tabled
4. **Department Officials Reports.**
 - 4.1. E-911 –
 - 4.1.1. E. Ketchum stated she had nothing to report.
 - 4.2. **Winter Roads Contractor** –
 - 4.2.1. E. Morrill stated he had nothing much going on.
 - 4.3. **Animal Control** –

4.3.1. P. Graf said she had been, “doing really good.” She added that a lot of people were doing much better. She exclaimed, “I’m not going to break my neck getting them a summons.”

4.4. Board of Assessors –

4.4.1. T. Lamontagne stated she had nothing to report.

4.5. Planning Board –

4.5.1. L. Mayo advised he planned to discuss repealing the ordinance with the attorney. He added they were in good shape to get it to DEP next month.

4.5.2. He reported that the trailer on the West Shore Road that was in violation had been moved.

4.5.3. He mentioned the subdivision would be doing the work in 2 phases for bond purposes.

4.6. Local Plumbing Inspector –

4.6.1. L. Mayo had nothing to report.

4.7. Board of Appeals – No Report.

4.8. Code Enforcement Officer –

4.8.1. R. Dunphy stated this would be a very busy month, with 7 items on the upcoming PB agenda.

4.9. Health Officer –

4.9.1. R. Dunphy stressed that ticks would be really bad this year.

4.9.2. He said, “If you have children that go to CCS don’t let them wear someone else’s hat or jacket. [due to lice outbreaks] It’s pretty much at epidemic stage, but we’re not going to call it that.”

4.10. Road Commissioner –

4.10.1. M. Witham reported that springtime is coming.

4.10.2. He said there had been a little sinkhole on the Moulton Road which had been patched.

4.10.3. He stated there was a pothole on the West Shore Rd and the Fahi Pond Road. He advised he would purchase a ton of cold patch to fix those spots.

4.10.4. He said the Dunbar Hill Road had held up nicely.

4.10.5. He mentioned he had thought about closing the Creamer Road. C. Taylor replied, “Go ahead.”

4.10.6. S. LeHay said he had received a phone call a month or so ago asking why the town’s paving projects did not go out to bid. M. Witham explained, “I figure if I’m elected to know what’s good, then I am qualified to pick who we go with.”

4.11. R.S.U. #74 – No Report.

4.11.1. S. LeHay announced the next meeting would be Wednesday night at CHS.

4.11.2. He reported that Lyford Beverage (Superintendent) would be at the next meeting to discuss the budget.

4.12. Recreational Director – No report.

4.13. Town Clerk/Treasurer –

4.13.1. B. Baker submitted the following:

- Treasurer’s Report
- Treasurer’s Report of Outstanding Liened Taxes
- Check Reconciliation
- Proposed Tax Acquired Property Ad
- Information on the Carey Properties
- TRIO Expense Report

4.13.2. She stated she would begin work on a TAN this week.

4.13.3. She advised that one of the foreclosure properties had been paid in full (all 3 tax years plus the appraisal fee incurred by the municipality) and been removed from the list.

4.14. Registrar of Voters.

4.14.1. B. Baker stated she was awaiting the May 9th election.

4.15. Tax Collector – No Report.

4.16. Community Center – No Report.

4.17. Emergency Management Directors –

4.17.1. R. Dunphy said he had absolutely nothing to report.

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

5.1. Open Public Forum.

5.1.1. R. Dunphy asked where additional funds from the sale of foreclosed properties went. C. Taylor replied, "It goes right into the coffers and you see it in surplus."

6. Board of Selectpersons Concerns.

6.1. BOS discussed and set public viewing times for one of the foreclosed properties. *(Note. canceled after meeting)*

7. New Business. None

8. Unfinished Business.

8.1. Update on Slipp Road Bridge.

8.1.1. C. Taylor said B. Miller had begun work on the bridge panels.

9. Correspondence. BOS reviewed correspondence.

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

11. Next Meeting Announcement & Adjournment

11.1. Next Regular Selectperson's Meeting – Monday, April 17, 2017.

11.2. Motion to adjourn made by S. LeHay (2nd – C. Taylor). (2-0) Adjourned 20:22.

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