

# Town of Embden



## Minutes of the Board of Selectpersons

August 21, 2017

### 19:00 PM Meeting held at the Embden Town Office

**Board Members In attendance.** Scott LeHay, Wayne McLaughlin, & Charles Taylor

**Other Officials Present.** Ruth Blake, Terriann Lamontagne, Leo Mayo, & Michael Witham

**Members of the Public Present.** Kelly Bragg

**Minutes Taken By.** Bonnie Baker

1. Charles Taylor called the meeting to order at 19:00.
2. **Consent Agenda.**
  - 2.1. Approved the minutes of the Board of Selectpersons dated August 7, 2017 as written (3-0).
  - 2.2. Approved Warrant #2017-016 totaling \$199,767.11. (3-0).
3. **Appointments & Resignations.**
  - 3.1. Planning Board Alternate – BOS appointed Kelly Bragg as a Planning Board Alternate for a term expiring April 2018. (3-0)
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 said they had received the new maps and were proofing them now. She added that they would be GIS. C. Taylor said he liked them, as they were much easier to read. Discussion continued.
  - 4.5. **Planning Board** –
    - 4.5.1. L. Mayo advised they had a full board now.
  - 4.6. **Local Plumbing Inspector** –
    - 4.6.1. L. Mayo said there were a few septic systems going in for new dwellings.
  - 4.7. **Board of Appeals** – No Report.
  - 4.8. **Code Enforcement Officer** – No Report.
  - 4.9. **Health Officer** –
    - 4.9.1. L. Mayo stated he had not received anything.
  - 4.10. **Road Commissioner** –
    - 4.10.1. Michael Witham gave the following report:
      - Spread calcium on Piper & Station Roads
      - Moved up to Williams Hill on 8/7. Cleaned both sides of guardrail. Guardrails are pretty tender, not going to say it's Nitram's fault. Added rock to hold them.
      - Spent 3 days on the Walker Road. P. Vicneire has been cutting Cecil Cross' property, and did a bunch above and beyond, such as taking out stumps. TDS might need to move the pole back. Turn around is in really good shape now.
      - The chipping crew has been doing a good job.
    - 4.10.2. He said he wanted to do the Getchell and Station Roads as they each had a couple of really good potholes.

- 4.10.3. He advised Arthur Rogers contacted him and offered to sell the town a 2013-14 rock rake for \$5,500. Discussion ensued. C. Taylor made a motion (2<sup>nd</sup> – S. LeHay) to allow M. Witham to negotiate a price up to \$5,000. (3-0) C.Taylor made a motion (2<sup>nd</sup> – S. LeHay) that M. Witham try to sell the old rock rake and culvert steamer. (3-0)
- 4.10.4. M. Witham stated he had filled out and mailed the LRAP paperwork last week.
- 4.10.5. He stated he would be meeting with Fine Line to start on a paving plan.
- 4.10.6. He cautioned the roadside mowing would cost a little more this year because the contractor would need to purchase his own insurance. He added that the contractor had not wanted to purchase the insurance, but he had told him to go slow and get a few more hours to make up for it. C. Taylor suggested a contractor in Solon.

**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 Treasurer’s Report of Outstanding Liened Real Estate Taxes.

**4.14.Registrar of Voters.**

- 4.14.1. B. Baker said she it was quiet at the moment..

**4.15.Tax Collector –**

- 4.15.1. BOS reviewed written report.

**4.16.Community Center –**

- 4.16.1. W. McLaughlin said Darren Priest would be coming to take a look at the basketball hoop.
- 4.16.2. He announced the following upcoming events:

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| Supper | September 9 <sup>th</sup>  |
| Show   | September 23 <sup>rd</sup> |

- 4.16.3. R. Blake said \$1,100 had been brought in for the Steak Tip dinner.

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

**5. Board of Selectpersons Concerns.**

- 5.1. C. Taylor advised there would be a meeting at the Anson Town Office regarding Clean Energy Connect proposed transmission lines on Wednesday at 12:00.

**6. New Business.** None

**7. Unfinished Business.**

**7.1. Update on Slipp Road Bridge.**

- 7.1.1. M. Witham stated that B. Miller was waiting on the steel. S. LeHay added that B. Miller had told him the steel was holding him up because he had not realized it would take so long to get the longer steel. S. LeHay said he thought B.Miller told him the 28<sup>th</sup>, which would mean the buses wouldn’t be able to get down there.

**8. Correspondence.** BOS reviewed correspondence.

- 8.1. BOS reviewed & signed Sprinkler System Maintenance Agreement.

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

**9.1. Open Public Forum.**

- 9.1.1. T. Lamontagne explained why she felt Joseph Flynn should be granted a consent agreement in the amount of \$375. BOS discussed circumstances surrounding request. S. LeHay made a motion (2<sup>nd</sup> – W. McLaughlin) to enter into a consent agreement for \$375 for Joseph Flynn. (3-0)

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

**11. Next Meeting Announcement & Adjournment**

- 11.1.Selectperson’s Meeting Thursday, August 31, 2017 to sign A/P and Payroll warrants only.
- 11.2.Next Regular Selectperson’s Meeting – Monday, September 18, 2017.
- 11.3.Motion made by S. LeHay (2<sup>nd</sup> – W. McLaughlin) to adjourn. (3-0) Adjourned 20:02

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