

**Town of Embden**  
**Minutes of the Board of Selectpersons**  
December 1st 2022, 6:15pm at the Embden Town Office

**Board Members in Attendance:** Charles Taylor, Wayne McLaughlin, Janice Welch

**Other Officials Present:** Ruth Blake, Terriann Lamontagne, Josh Nunes

**Members of the Public Present:**

**Minutes recorded by:** Christine Jablon

1. **Call to Order:** Charles called the meeting to order at 6:16 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Consent Agenda**
  - a. Approved November 3rd, 2022, minutes: Janice made motion to approve the minutes as corrected, Wayne seconded. Passed 3-0.
  - b. Review Town Warrant – (AP #144,153,115,118,119,121 and payroll #120) – All signed and approved.
  - c. Bank Reconciliation-
4. **Appointments and Resignations-**
5. **Presentation-** None
6. **Executive Session-**
7. **Department Officials' Reports**
  - a. E-911 – Eleanor will continue as E-911 addressing officer until March. Christy will help if, and when needed.
  - b. Winter Roads Contractor – While screening the rocks out of the sand, a hole appeared in the screen. This happened towards the end of the process. They pulled as many rocks out as they could. However, this made for a rocky first sanding of the roads. They are now through the part of the sand pile that contained the rocks, so should be all sand from here on out. We will pay Nunes for the coast fuel over \$4.40, per the agreement earlier in the year
  - c. Animal Control – Dillon turned in his report for the year and was paid.
  - d. Assessor – Shirley was in the office November 4<sup>th</sup>.
  - e. Planning Board – Nothing to report
  - f. Board of Appeals – Nothing to report
  - g. Local Plumbing Inspector – Leo will be bringing the rest of 2022 plumbing permits in soon.
  - h. Code Enforcement Officer- Property on Dunbar Hill did not apply for a Building Permit before adding two story addition. Terriann requested a \$400 After the Fact penalty be sent. Jan made motion to accept this, Wayne seconded. Passed 3-0. Jan made motion to raise the cost of a Tree cutting permit from \$5.00 to \$25.00, Wayne seconded. Passed 3-0. Terriann was at the Solar Farm 11:30 yesterday morning for meeting. They still have a lot of work to do. Terriann has also been dealing with our layer, Ken Lexier regarding the dock issue.
  - i. Health Officer- Nothing to report
  - j. Road Commissioner – Michael will be turning in the last of this year's bills soon.
  - k. RSU#74- - Christy will call the school next week for the School Board hours.
  - l. Town Clerk/Treasurer- Foreclosure notices were sent out November 17th. December 20<sup>th</sup> is the foreclosure date. Christy is also working on the final balance of the budget and getting the departments their numbers for the end of the year. She has also reached out to Keel to find out when he will be back to the office for the 2022 audit. A lot of people are stating to come in and register their dogs. Christy will begin on the Town Report this month.
  - m. Registrar of Voters – Christy has been finishing up the November 8<sup>th</sup> election. There has been a second recount with the State. She will be meeting with them in the morning to turn in the requested documents.
  - n. Tax Collector – Ruth collected \$304,430.69 since 11/3/22 report.
  - o. Community Center- Handy Andy finished the siding. It looks really good! He has now been paid the balance. Heat Pumps will be going in soon. 1/3 of the cost needs to be paid this year. The Thrift Store said they help out anyone in need. The ECC also has money to donate to a family in need. The ECC has purchased microphones. The Town will be able to use them during Town Meeting. There will be no more meals until March. The Select Board said a big thank you to all that keep the ECC going!!!
8. **Unfinished Business** – The Select Board discussed joining with the Solon Transfer Station. However, the cost would just be too high. TDS Broadband Internet is going in on the West Shore Rd
9. **New Business -**
10. **Correspondence-** A location permit for CMP was signed. The Waste Management contract for 2023 was also signed.
11. **Community Relations, Announcements, and Open Public Forum-**
12. **Next Meeting Announcement & Adjournment –**
  - a. Next regularly scheduled meeting –January 5th, 2023.
  - b. Janice made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Wayne seconded, and the Board voted 3-0 to adjourn at 7:24 pm.