

# Town of Embden

## Minutes of the Board of Selectpersons

February 1<sup>st</sup> 2024, 6:15pm at the Embden Town Office

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

**Other Officials Present:** Ruth Blake, Terri Lamontagne

**Members of the Public Present:** Anthony Sparrow, Myles Durkin

**Minutes recorded by:** Christine Sockwell

1. **Call to Order:** Chuck called the meeting to order at 6:25 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Consent Agenda**
  - a. Approved, January 4th, 2024, minutes: Janice made motion to approve the minutes, Wayne seconded. Passed 3-0.
  - b. Review Town Warrant – (#6, and payroll #5) – Approved and signed
  - c. Bank Reconciliation- Bank Rec, is not finished.
4. **Appointments and Resignations-** None
5. **Presentation-** None
6. **Executive Session-** None
7. **Department Officials' Reports**
  - a. E-911 – The last few weeks have quiet.
  - b. Winter Roads – Nunes is out treating roads tonight. The sand is getting low. The rain hurts a lot when it comes to the sand. They just got a fresh load of salt. During the ice storm they had to put chains on the trucks. It took a long time to get through all the town roads. Nunes was the only bidder this year for Winter Roads.
  - c. Animal Control – Nothing to report
  - d. Assessor – Over the next year Shirley will be working on redoing a third of the town valuation.
  - e. Planning Board – Things are slowing down. There are only two cases this month.
  - f. Board of Appeals – Nothing to report
  - g. Local Plumbing Inspector – Robert Lightbody is our new Plumbing Inspector.
  - h. Code Enforcement Officer- The solar farm on Kennebec River Road received a \$148,000.00 fine from DEP.
  - i. Health Officer- Nothing to report.
  - j. Road Commissioner – There are concerns about the safety with the stop sign on Dunbar Hill. There was a bad accident there.
  - k. Town Clerk/Treasurer- Christy getting a lot of people in licensing their dogs. She has been in contact with the new auditor. Chisty is working on finishing the town report. It needs to be to the printers by February 9<sup>th</sup>.
  - l. Registrar of Voters – Christy working pulling together the elections for Municipal Officers Friday March 1<sup>st</sup>, Town meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the Primary on March 5<sup>th</sup>.
  - m. Tax Collector – Ruth collected \$15,874.40 since 12/7/2023.
8. **Community Center-** The Embden Community Center does not have a plan to open as a shelter.
9. **Unfinished Business** – None
10. **New Business** – None
11. **Correspondence-** Nothing to report
12. **Community Relations, Announcements, and Open Public Forum-**
13. **Next Meeting Announcement & Adjournment** –
  - a. Next regularly scheduled meeting – March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024
  - b. Janice made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Wayne seconded, and the Board voted 3-0 to adjourn at 7:10 pm.