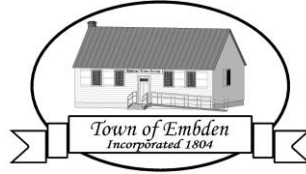


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Minutes of the Board of Selectpersons

October 3rd, 2024, 6:15pm at the Embden Town Office

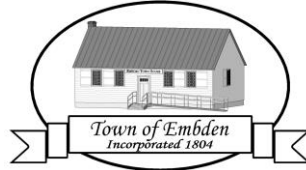


1. **Board Members in Attendance:** Charles Taylor, Wayne Mclaughlin, Janice Welch
2. **Other Officials Present:** Terriann Lamontagne, Ruth Blake, Michael Witham, Leo Mayo
3. **Others Present:** Jack Gartner, Mary Keenen, Tom Federle, Darren Richards, Lori Knowlton, Paul Fortin, Paula Fortin
4. **Minutes recorded by:** Christine Sockwell
5. **Call to Order:** 6:15pm
6. **Pledge of Allegiance**
7. **Consent Agenda**
 - 7.1. Approve August Minutes
 - 7.2. Review Town Warrant (#41,43 and payroll #42)
 - 7.3. Bank Reconciliation – July
8. **Appointments and Resignations –**
9. **Executive Session –** At 7:16 Jan made motion to enter into executive session 1MRSA 405(6)(E) Wayne seconded. Passes 3-0. At 7:33 Jan made motion to exit the executive session. Wayne seconded. Passes 3-0. Jan made motion to instruct town council to have conversations with Mr. Richar’s legal counsel. Wayne seconded. Passes 3-0. Jan made motion to allow the town attorney to discuss and develop a possible consent decree with Mr. and Mrs. LePage. Wayne seconded. Passes 3-0.
10. **Department Officials’ Reports**
 - 10.1. E-911- Nothing to report
 - 10.2. Winter Roads Contractor – The Sand Shed still needs work done to it.
 - 10.3. Animal Control Officer- Nothing to report.
 - 10.4. Assessor- Taxes are out. They are due October 31st.
 - 10.5. Planning Board- Things are slowing down. The Select Board support the duck ordinance.
 - 10.6. Local Plumbing Inspector- Nothing to report
 - 10.7. Board of Appeals- There have been a lot of appeals
 - 10.8. Code Enforcement Officer- Nothing to report
 - 10.9. Health Officer- The house on Kennebec River Road is down.
 - 10.10. Road Commissioner- Michael has been busy fixing culverts. Barron Road has been paved. Belanger Tree Care has been cleaning brush on the sides of the road. Michael and Christy will get together Tuesday to redo the GPS coordinates for FEMA. Michael will work with the Fortin’s’ on getting a mirror up on Perkins Rd. The Water District is doing work that is causing flowing water issues.
 - 10.11. R.S.U. #74- Nothing to report
 - 10.12. Town Clerk/Treasurer- There have been a lot of phone calls for property cards, and people looking for their taxes. Christy has also been working with the Auditor and FEMA.
 - 10.13. Registrar of Voters- Christy is busy getting ready for the Presidential Election.

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10.14. Tax Collector-Taxes have gone out. Ruth attended a Situational Awareness Class at The MMA Convention. She feels it's important we protect ourselves. She would like a camera set up so she can see who is coming through the front door.

10.15. Community Center- The ECC is very busy. Wayne is waiting for Handy Andy to get back to him for work needing to be done.

11. Unfinished Business- Jan made Motion to accept the Maine Tobacco policy. Wayne seconded. Passes 3-0.

12. New Business-

13. Correspondence

14. Community Relations, Announcements, and Open Public Forum

14.1. Open Public Forum- Paul Fortin has found there are 93 Embden students going to RSU#74. That is \$23,371 per student. He is looking into what it would cost if we pulled from the district. Jack Gartner is really concerned about the amount of silt going into the pond.

15. Next Meeting Announcement & Adjournment

15.1. Next regularly scheduled meeting –November 7th, 2024

15.2. Adjourn Selectman's Meeting at 7:30 Jan made motion. Wayne seconded. Passes 3-0.