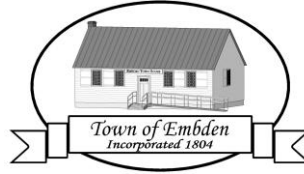


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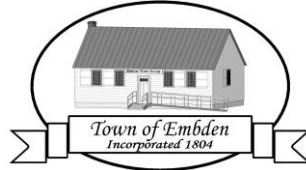


- 1. Board Members in Attendance:** Charles Taylor, Wayne Mclaughlin, Janice Welch
- 2. Other Officials Present:** Terriann Lamontagne, Ruth Blake, Michael Witham, Leo Mayo, Josh Nunes
- 3. Others Present:** Paul Fortin, Paula Sancouci, Todd Smith, Samantha LeBeau, Tim Bergerson
- 4. Minutes recorded by:** Christy Sockwell
- 5. Call to Order:** 6:15pm
- 6. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 7. Consent Agenda**
 - 7.1. Approve November Minutes – Jan made motion to accept, Wayne seconded. Passes 3-0
 - 7.2. Review Town Warrant (#55 and payroll #54)
 - 7.3. Bank Reconciliation – August
- 8. Appointments and Resignations – None**
- 9. Executive Session –**Jan made motion to enter session 1M.R.S.A 405(6)(A) at 6:55pm, Wayne seconded. Passes 3-0. Session ended at 7:02 pm. Jan made motion for the Hanson and Hodgdon fines to be lowered to \$500.00. It is Hodgdon’s burden of proof for the yardage used.
- 10. Department Officials’ Reports**
 - 10.1. E-911- Creamer Rd sign is missing. Christy will order.
 - 10.2. Winter Roads Contractor – There were a couple of issues with the last storm. They had a truck go off the road. This caused them to get behind on the roads. The crew will be out again in the morning. Wayne has asked Nunes to plow and sand the ECC. Nunes has agreed to plow for \$150.00 and sand for \$75.00.
 - 10.3. Animal Control Officer- None
 - 10.4. Assessor- Nothing to report
 - 10.5. Planning Board- They are looking at filling a spot on the Planning Board. They will be having a work session at some point for definitions and ordinances.
 - 10.6. Local Plumbing Inspector- Need to get an add out for Deputy LPI.
 - 10.7. Board of Appeals- Nothing to report
 - 10.8. Code Enforcement Officer- Terri has two items that need to be addressed in executive session.
 - 10.9. Health Officer- Nothing to report.
 - 10.10. Road Commissioner- Michael handed in the work that was done between June and December. The Barron Road shoulders have been done. They have also taken care of the low hanging branches on the Wentworth Road. They have taken care of the potholes on Getchell and Moulton Road. There is a beaver issue on Moulton Road.
 - 10.11. R.S.U. #74- A committee is being formed to pull out of RSU#74. Chuck is working on getting the members pulled together.
 - 10.12. Town Clerk/Treasurer- Christy is still working with the Auditor to finish the 2023 audit. She has reached out to line up 2024 audit but has not heard anything back yet. Christy spoke

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to other towns while in training, they all say the same thing. We need to be patient with the auditors because they are stretched thin and there is a shortage of them in the State.

- 10.13. Registrar of Voters- The VPH still needs to be entered into the State.
- 10.14. Tax Collector-Ruth has collected \$341,961.34 since November's report.
- 10.15. Community Center- Busy at the ECC. Wayne is not able to get a hold of Andy for work needed. Chuck will reach out to him. The Thanksgiving Dinner had a great turnout! Over 100 people came!!

11. Unfinished Business-

12. New Business- After the first of the of the year the Selectboard will hold budget work sessions

13. Correspondence-

14. Community Relations, Announcements, and Open Public Forum

15. Next Meeting Announcement & Adjournment

- 15.1. Next regularly scheduled meeting –January 2nd, 2025
- 15.2. Adjourn Selectman's Meeting at 7:05 Jan made motion. Wayne seconded. Passes 3-0.