

**Town of Embden**  
**Minutes of the Board of Selectpersons**  
October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, 6:15pm at the Embden Town Office

**Board Members in Attendance:** Charles Taylor, Wayne McLaughlin, Kayla Starr

**Other Officials Present:** Ruth Blake

**Members of the Public Present:** Ann Bridges, Charles Pease, Paula Sansouci, Terry Bugay, Keith Stephens, Beth Boudreau

**Minutes recorded by:** Christine Sockwell

1. **Call to Order:** Charles called the meeting to order at 6:18pm
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Consent Agenda**
  - a. Approved Minutes: Approved 3-0
  - b. Review Town Warrant – (AP # 42 and Payroll # 41,43,44) – All signed and approved.
  - c. Bank Reconciliation- June’s bank rec is in the works
4. **Appointments and Resignations-** Bob Lightbody resigned as LPI as of September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Wayne motioned to accept the resignation. Charles seconded. Passes 3-0.
5. **Presentation-** None
6. **Executive Session-** 7:29pm Charles made motion to enter Executive Session 1.M.R.S.A 405(6)(B) Kayla seconded. Charles made motion to exit Executive Session at 7:49pm Kayla seconded. Motion made by Chuck to take no action at this time. Kayla seconded.
7. **Department Officials’ Reports**
  - a. E-911 – Christy is working with the Post Office trying to figure out the addressing/delivery issues with Amazon packages.
  - b. Winter Roads – Sand will be put in soon.
  - c. Animal Control – No Report
  - d. Assessor – No Report
  - e. Planning Board – Leo brought in all the Planning Board documents in from his house. Ann is willing to go through them and file them for \$1000.00. Charles made motion to accept Ann’s offer. Kayla seconded. Passes 3-0. We are also going to need to order fireproof safes to store everything. The Planning Board and the Select Board will meet on October 16<sup>th</sup> for a work session.
  - f. Local Plumbing Inspector – A couple of applications have been tuned in for LPI.
  - g. Code Enforcement Officer- Terri gave the Select Board two fines to review. The Orlando property Map 030- Lot 015 has a recommended fine of \$1000.00. Chuck made motion to set fine at \$1000.00, Kayla seconded. Passes 3-0. The Balise property Map 010- Lot 024 has a recommended fine of \$1500.00, and property needs to be restored back to the way it was. Charles made motion to approve fine as recommended. Kayla seconded. Passes 3-0
  - h. Health Officer- No Report
  - i. Road Commissioner – Peter Coughlin will be in to go over Town Roads on October 16<sup>th</sup>.
  - j. Rec Dept. – Kayla and Amy Sidell meet with Solon and Anson Rec to discuss the future of the department. They will meet again and set a plan.
  - k. R.S.U. #74 – No report
  - l. Town Clerk/Treasurer – Christy has received the 2023 Audit back. On October 15<sup>th</sup> she will start selling dog licenses. The State has a new system that does not work with Trio. All dogs must be manually re-entered into the new system. Christy had Shredding On Site come and shred all the documents in the basement that needed to be disposed of. She still has more in the vault to clean out. Boxes were broken down and taken to the dump. A dehumidifier is needed for the main part of the basement.
  - m. Registrar of Voters – Christy is getting ready for the November 4<sup>th</sup> Election. Absentee Ballots will be available next week.
  - n. Tax Collector – \$3,967,107.51 is due to the Town for RE Taxes. \$2,652,195.09 has been collected.
  - o. Embden Community Center- Wayne said that there is no need to pave the parking lot. A railing still needs to be put on the stage. The Thrift Store is doing really well. The Hand Up program is helping a lot of people. Help is needed in the kitchen for suppers. Terry Bugay, Paula Sansouci, and Beth Boudreau have volunteered to help.
8. **Unfinished Business-** None

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9. **New Business** – Applications for LPI need to be reviewed.
10. **Correspondence**- A letter was received in regards to a property on Kennebec River Road and the debris on it. In order to do anything the Planning Board has to put together a Junkyard Ordinance. An ATV noise complaint was received. It will be given to the president of the ATV club to be addressed.
11. **Community Relations, Announcements, and Open Public Forum**- There are concerns about the amount of water that the Fish Hatchery pulls out of the lake. 5 million gallons are allowed to come out of the lake each day. 4 million gallons is what is coming out per day now.
12. **Next Meeting Announcement & Adjournment** –Charles makes motion to adjourn meeting at 7:50pm. Kayla seconded.  
Passes 2-0  
Next regularly scheduled meeting – November 6th, 2025