

TOWN OF EFFINGHAM
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES

December 10, 2013

Selectmen present: Henry Spencer
Timothy Eldridge
Theresa Swanick

Minutes transcribed by: Gwen English

The meeting was called to order at: 5:00 pm

The Mail, Manifest and Signature folders were reviewed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Effingham Public Library will be hosting the Children's Christmas Party on Saturday December 14, 2013 @ 10:30am, Santa will be on hand.

Resident Kamal Nath invited everyone to attend A Walk in the Woods- Snowshoeing Event to be held on Wednesday, January 1, 2014. Participants will meet at the library at 9:45am and carpool to the SPNHF property on Highwatch Rd where the walk begins. Kamal announced other events to come such as a Bird Watch Walk on April 13th, 2014, Green Mountain Hike on July 4th, 2014 and a Forest Walk scheduled for October 30th, 2014, stay tuned.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Selectman Eldridge spoke with Road Contractor Ron Evans who reported snow plowing went well with no equipment breakdowns.

Selectmen Spencer reported the new transfer station shed is currently under construction. Selectmen also discussed using a shed located at the back of the property for storing tires and electronics but are uncertain how that portion of the property will be effected by rising water levels in the spring. Further discussion ensued.

Henry also attended the community meeting at the Lakeview Neurological Rehabilitation Facility. Representatives of Lakeview discussed the implementation of specially trained staff to manage the higher risk clients.

Selectmen Swanick reported the Effingham Elementary School Children sang Christmas Carols at coffee hour.

REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES and WEEKLY MANIFEST

The Board approved the Minutes of December 3rd and the weekly manifest.

OLD BUSINESS

Selectman Swanick would like to recruit a qualified member of the community to review the Road Management Plan and report back to the Board on the veracity of the plan in hopes that it can be implemented long term.

Selectmen worked on their budget.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board voted to carry over the following 2013 amounts to 2014:

- 1. \$8260.00 from Article 14 / municipal buildings account for Amerigas to install the heating system at Fire Station #2
- 2. \$34,488.01 for the assessing services contract with Avitar Associates, Inc.
- 3. \$6632.00 to continue work on GASB compliance with Carol Coppolla Associates and John Lyford
- 4. Article 7- 2 year non-lapsing article has had no expenditures leaving \$15,000.00 for 2014 expenses

Selectmen voted to accept the Emergency Management Grant terms as presented. The grant is a 50/50 match to purchase a laptop for use by Emergency Management.

PLANNED DISCUSSION

Road Contractor Ron Evans met with the Board and reported things are going well so far.

The meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm.

Henry Spencer, Selectman	Date

Theresa Swanick, Selectman

Timothy Eldridge, Selectman