TOWN OF EFFINGHAM

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

August 25, 2015

Selectmen present: Timothy Eldridge

Lawrence Edwards

Absent:

Henry Spencer

Minutes transcribed by: Cheryle A. Feirick

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

The Mail, Manifest and Signature folder were reviewed.

Pledge of Allegiance

REVIEW AND APPROVE OF MINUTES AND WEEKLY MANIFEST

The Board approved the minute of August 11, 2015 and the bi-weekly manifest.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Jonathan Burbank reported on fire calls

PLANNED DISCUSSION: Fire Department- Chief Randy Burbank reported that a preconstruction meeting was held for the new Utility Truck. Schedule 270 days out which bring the delivery to February 2016. Training was held on Saturday, August 22 with 12 individuals attending. Because there are so many new volunteers, training was geared to the basics. Emergency Management sent out questioner forms for residents to complete, Randy reported that many have been returned completed. They are working on getting "Medical File Cards" to those residents who requested them. Comment was made that next time there should be more room allowed for resident's information. Emergency Management will take that under advisement.

SELECTMEN'S COMMENTS AND REPORT:

Budget needs reviewing for "Over budget Items".

Selectman Eldridge completed the application of protective sealant on the salt shed walls. He went out and purchased a sprayer for the Town for this application.

Civic Award notices have all been sent out to the head of boards and are to be returned by September 11th. The award Ceremony will be held on October 13th at 7:00pm at the Effingham School.

Fence of Transfer Station-Selectman Eldridge met with Fencing Co. last week and estimates were received. Fencing for upper retaining wall came in at \$1000.00+ and enclosure for around goods 40' x 40' x 6' with 12' wide double gate \$4500.00+. The necessity for fencing is required to prevent freon units (refrigerators and air conditioners) per DES from being stolen.

REMINDER: School starts next week "September 1, 2015".

Selectman Eldridge will attend the ZBA meeting on Thursday, August 27, 2015 for clarifications provided by the Town's Attorney Matt Serge.

Selectman Edwards reported that trees on Granite Road around electrical wires need to be removed. He was reminded that the Town has a prior business relationship with Vaughn English to do this type of removal.

Salt/Sand- Selectman Edwards stated the Town's Contractor could work with Allstate to pick up the material from Dow's Pit and deposit on Green Mountain Road, instead of having it delivered, to the salt shed. This would save the Town money.

Culvert on Colcord Hill needs to be blown out, On Friday, August 28, the Fire Dept. and road contractor are getting together to blow out culverts.

A tree on Green Mtn. Road was reported as needing to be taken down, an employee of Dig N Doze went out to look couldn't locate so he called Selectman Edwards for information. It was clarified to Selectman Edwards that the tree is at #881 Green Mtn. Road and that there were prearranged agreement to have remnants removed.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Granite Road Bridge over South River has been closed by the DOT until further notice. Selectmen's Office, Police Department, Fire Department and Ambulance have been notified. Any further work will cease on Steven's Road Bridge and will move over to Granit Road Bridge, Selectman Edwards will make contact with the necessary agents.

OLD BUSINESS

Starting next week Selectmen's meeting will be back on scheduled for every week. Road paving will begin in September on Pine River road and Champion Hill Road. Crack sealing to be done on "Town House Road, Comer Road and Old Pound Road" during the last week in August.

Road Re-construction on Granite Road to being around September 1.

NEW BUSINESS

Multi-Year Road Maintenance Plan: draft completed, Selectmen will work on finalizing the plan. The next step is to work on costs and Selectman Edwards is to put estimates together.

Now that sealing of walls at the salt shed walls is complete, the pile of cold patch material needs to be removed. Claudia mentioned that Ron Evans called to see how much in the budget for winter road maintenance supplies.

PUBLIC COMMENT-None

At 6:05 pm the Board voted to go into non-public session for a personnel issue.

NON-PUBLIC

Reviewed a possible change to the current job description of an existing employee.

Voted to close non-public at 6:40pm

Adjourned meeting at 6:40 pm

Timothy Eldridge, Chairman

Date: Sept. 1, 2015

Henry Spencer

Lawrence Edwards