



Town of Effingham
Selectmen's Office
68 School Street
Effingham, New Hampshire 03882

Board of Selectman's Meeting
October 26, 2021

PRESENT: Chairman Fuller, Selectmen Hart and Espie, Town Clerk/Tax Collector Amaral, Supervisor of the Checklist Chairman Pfister, Fire Chief Burbank, Health Officer & Road Volunteer Cahalane, Town Administrator Fraizer, Administrative Assistant McWhirter and several members of the public.

Meeting available to the public via Zoom.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Fuller at 9:01am followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Signature folder:

Chairman Fuller made a motion to approve and sign the Selectmen's Board of Health minutes dated October 14, 2021. The motion was seconded by Selectman Espie and passed (3-0).

Chairman Fuller made a motion to approve and sign the Selectmen non-public minutes dated October 14, 2021. The motion was seconded by Selectman Espie and passed (3-0).

Chairman Fuller made a motion to approve and sign the Selectmen's minutes dated October 20, 2021. The motion was seconded by Selectmen Espie and passed (2-0-1).

Chairman Fuller made a motion to approve and sign the manifest dated October 28, 2021 in the amount of \$31,586.55. The motion was seconded by Selectmen Espie and passed (3-0).

Mail folder:

Ms. Bilodeau street light at 218 Pine River Road: Selectman Hart will follow up.
Mr. Garcia Champion Hill Road storm drain failure. Selectman Hart will follow up.
Wakefield ZBA and Planning Board Joint Meeting regarding a cell tower - Public Notice
November 4 at 7:00 p.m.
Effingham Planning Board - Meena, LLC November 4, 2021 6:30 p.m.
Avitar Associates letter to Property Owners
Certified Culvert Maintainer Program (copy)- Certificate for Michael Cahalane
Humane Society Newsletter

Review of 2022 Proposed Budgets:

4150 - Financial Administration - Tax Collector (\$42,825)

Tax Collector Amaral came before the board to discuss and review the proposed budget for 2022. The board discussed the proposed \$1.00 (8%) raise for the Deputy Tax Collector position. Chairman Fuller stated that the board agreed to an overall 3% raise for employees. After some discussion to board agreed to a \$.50 raise.

Chairman Fuller made a motion to approve and sign 4150 Financial Administration for \$42,435. The motion was seconded by Selectman Espie and passed (3-0).

4140 - Election & Registration -Town Clerk (\$42,090)

Town Clerk Amaral stated that election expense has increased due to 3 elections next year. She needs to replace the photo copier and do more work on records preservation. The board agreed to a \$.50 raise for the Deputy Town Clerk position for next year.

Chairman Fuller made a motion to approve and sign 4140 Election & Registration for \$41,700. The motion was seconded by Selectman Hart and passed (3-0).

4141- Supervisors of the Check List (\$2,830)

Chairman Pfister presented her budget. No discussion

Chairman Fuller made a motion to approve and sign 4141 Supervisors of the Checklist for \$2,830. The motion was seconded by Selectman Espie and passed (3-0).

4191- Planning Board revisited'

The LRPC dues came in higher than projected by \$68. The board did not make any changes.

4290- Forest Fire Warden (\$2,500)

Fire Chief Burbank presented the budget with no changes. Beginning in 2022 Chief Burbank will serve as Effingham's Forest Fire Warden.

Chairman Fuller made a motion to approve and sign 4290 Forest Fire Warden for \$2,500. The motion was seconded by Selectman Hart and passed (3-0).

4290 - Emergency Management (\$1,990) No discussion

Chairman Fuller made a motion to approve and sign 4290 Emergency Management for \$1,990. The motion was seconded by Selectman Espie and passed (3-0).

4220 - Fire & Rescue (\$147,400)

Fire Chief Burbank reviewed all line items in the budget. Chief Burbank stated that the daytime coverage is budgeted for an entire year.

Chairman Fuller made a motion to approve and sign 4220 Fire & Rescue for \$147,400. The motion was seconded by Selectman Hart and passed (3-0).

4150-Treasurer (\$5,530)

Treasurer Elaine Chick submitted an explanation for the increases in the stipends to the deputy treasurer and treasurer. The board discussed the proposed increases stating that they are almost double from 2021.

Chairman Fuller made a motion to approve and sign 4151 Treasurer for \$5,530. The motion was seconded by Selectman Hart and passed (2-1).

Departments and Committee Updates:

Town Administrator Fraizer:

Town Administrator Fraizer has responded to all (13) 91-A requests from last week.

Town Administrator Fraizer worked with A & B Lock as they completed the installation of the Police Department security system. She met with Lenharth Systems regarding the recent contract

which is very vague. She discussed what is needed in the building going forward regarding IT for next year.

Town Administrator Fraizer will be posting a public hearing for November 23, 2021 under RSA 31:95-b to accept ARPA Funds and RSA 41:9-a to increase fees at the Transfer Station.

Town Administrator Fraizer will contact MRI to publicize the job posting for a new Fire Chief.

Selectman Hart:

Selectman Hart reported that all the dry hydrants have been tested. He has been working with Chief Burbank to complete paperwork to obtain a better ISO rating for the town.

Selectman Espie:

Selectman Espie has not had success reaching Kevin Cote to discuss the oil containment building he is completing at the Transfer Station. The oil grant for \$2,500 through the State of NH has been awarded.

Two damaged trees were removed at the Fire Station.

Chairman Fuller:

Chairman Fuller reported that the beavers are building dams at Snow Road Bridge.

Fire Chief Randy Burbank:

Fire Chief Burbank reported discrepancies in the Action Ambulance reporting on call volume for the year. On the direction of Chairman Fuller, Chief Burbank will reach out to John Hatch from Action Ambulance to review.

Health Officer & Road Volunteer Mike Cahalane

Mike Cahalane provided a brief overview of the projects he has been overseeing. Mr. Cahalane reported the town was not awarded the 319 grant that would have been used on the Bailey Road culvert replacement project that is planned for next year.

Public Comments:

Dave Garceau clarified the schedule for the Planning Board which includes a hearing for Meena LLC site plan review.

Linda Edwards stated that Cemetery Road has not been graded once this year and asked when that can be expected. She also stated it is usually done before Memorial Day. The board said that Evans Brother are working on grading throughout town. Selectman Hart will follow up.

Lawrence Edwards came before the board to talk about his displeasure concerning the Snow Road Bridge replacement. He talked about several areas that he feels were not done according to the plans. He stated the cost of \$46,000 to HEB Engineers was not well spent. Mr. Edwards was told the plan he was referencing was not the plan that was used. He stated the culvert does not go all the way through and is already blocked. Chairman Fuller stated the culvert was not designed to go all the way through, it is temporary until the new bridge is installed next year. Mike Cahalane stated that the plan dated 2019 that Mr. Edwards is referring to is not the plan that contractors bid on. Chairman Fuller agreed to view the final plan.

Linda Edwards requested the board stop spending money on legal fees to have the property on Misty Mountain Road condemned. She feels there is a vendetta against the owner. She stated that there are several properties in town that should also be looked at. Chairman Fuller stated that the legal action against the Misty Mountain Road property will continue. The board and the zoning officer are working on a procedure to begin reviewing other properties violations throughout town .

Diane Jurecki and Chairman Fuller will volunteer on the Carrol County Broadband committee.

Linda Edwards stated that the Historical Society will continue the Christmas donation project from last year. Donations can be sent to Historical Society, PO Box 33, Effingham NH 03882.

Announcements :

October 28th non-scary Halloween walk at school at 6:30pm.

October 29 costume parade at 2:00pm, Sargent Welch will serve as Marshal. October 31

Trick or Treat 5:00pm until 8:00pm.

Adjournment: At 10:30am, Chairman Fuller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Selectmen Hart and passed (3-0).

Next Meetings: Budget Committee Tuesday, October 26, 2021

Board of Selectmen Tuesday , November 2, 2021

Board of Selectmen Tuesday, November 9 2021 , Tuesday November 16, 2021

Respectfully Submitted,
Darlene McWhirter



Charles Fuller

Dated: November 2, 2021

Thomas Hart



Leonard Espie



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Fire Chief:
Randy Burbank
307-0452

October 1, 2021

TO: Effingham Board of Selectmen

Dear Selectmen,

The Effingham Fire and Rescue Department received 48 calls for the Month of September 2021. Below is a breakdown of the calls.

Medical Aid (28)
Service Calls (12)
Unintentional false (3)
Hazardous Condition (1)
Good Intent (2)
Mutual Aid (1)
Structure Fire (1)

We had five trainings
One on the new Cardiac Monitor
Two on foam applications
One on Vehicle Familiarization
One on SOPs/SOGs

We performed two Fire and Life Safety Inspection, and had our structural Firefighting gear tested.
All vehicles have past state inspection.

10 of the medical aid calls were at 244 Highwatch Road, 6 were related to detox.

Action Ambulance responded to 37 calls.

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Randy Burbank
Chief

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