



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

Board of Selectmen's Meeting
November 23, 2021

Public Hearing per RSA 31-95b Acceptance of unanticipated funds.

Chairman Fuller opened the public hearing at 9:01 am.

Chairman Fuller explained that the town is holding this public meeting to accept and expend \$150,691.30. These funds are from American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA). The board has discussed using the funds for bridge work.

No comments from the public.

Chairman Fuller closed the public hearing at 9:02 am.

Present: Chairman Fuller, Selectmen Hart & Espie, Budget Committee Chairman Strauss, 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 9:03 am followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Chairman Fuller made a motion to approve and sign the Selectmen's Minutes dated November 16, 2021. The motion was seconded by Selectman Espie and passed (3-0).

Chairmen Fuller made a motion to approve and sign the manifest dated November 24, 2021, in the amount of \$29,433.89. The motion was seconded by Selectman Espie and passed (3-0).

The board approved and signed:

- Solar Exemption

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- Meena LLC request to backfill. The board will discuss this with the ZBA.
- Letter of gratitude from Red Cross
- NRRRA 2022 Tire Fees

Announcements:

- Town Clerk's office closed Tuesday, November 21, 2021 for training.
- Town Clerk's office closed Wednesday, November 22, 2021.
- Town Offices closed Thursday, November 25, 2021.

Town Administrator and Selectmen's Comments:

Town Administrator:

- Town Administrator Fraizer stated she has requested confirmation in writing regarding the closure of the USDA grant.
- Spoke with Ms. Dow, she was told the streetlight she is concerned about is a private light.
- She spoke with our new representative from Clean Harbors related to the old oil containers, awaiting a quote.
- A & B Lock stated the work on the police station security will be done on 12/9/2021.
- All 91-A requests from Mr. Cahalane and Mr. Edwards have been answered.

Selectman Hart:

- The board discussed ordering No Thru Truck and Bridge Closed signs before the end of the year. Selectman Hart will work with Ms. Fraizer.

Selectman Espie:

- Selectman Espie reported on the condition of a number of roads including Wilkinson Swamp Road, Pine River and Elm Street. Ditches need to be cleaned on Champion Hill Road.
- Selectman Espie will contact Evans Brothers to see if they will repair shoulder on Town House Road.
- The patch work on Bailey Road culverts needs to be looked at. Chairman Fuller will contact Hansen Bridge.
- Selectman Espie will remind Evans Brothers to remove the town granite from Mr. Cahalane's Property.
- Streetlight in front of fire station 2 is out, Lenny will get pole # to report outage.
- Selectman Espie has not had a response from Kevin Cote regarding the work at the Transfer Station.

Chairman Fuller:

- Chairman Fuller stated that at least 3 applications have been received for the Part time Fire Chief position.
- Town Administrator Fraizer will reach out to the beaver deceiver company in Vermont.

New Business:

Review of 2022 proposed budgets:

4155 – Payroll Expenses (\$92,000)

Chairman Fuller made a motion to approve and sign 4155 for \$92,000. The motion was seconded by Selectman Espie and passed (3-0).

4152 – Assessing (\$38,400)

The board revisited the assessing budget to include the cost of the assessing kiosk in the lobby. This budget will increase by \$2,000.

Chairman Fuller made a motion to approve and sign 4152 for (\$38,400). The motion was seconded by Selectman Espie and passed (3-0).

Public Comment:

Dave Garceau commented that the planning board may not discuss the Meena project at the December 2nd meeting. They have not reapplied and will need a site plan review.

Eric Jones stated that the posting for the public hearing to discuss the fee changes at the Transfer Station was improperly noticed. Town Administrator Fraizer will research.

Non-public if needed per RSA 91-A:3, II (c)

At 9:32am, Chairman Fuller made a motion to go into a non-public session per RSA 91-A:3, II (c). The motion was seconded by Selectman Espie and passed, Fuller Y, Hart Y and Espie Y.

At 9:41am, Chairman Fuller made a motion to reenter the public meeting. The motion was seconded by Selectman Hart and passed (3-0).

Review of 2022 proposed budgets:

4312 – Highways & Streets (\$738,750)

The board discussed each line in this Highways and Streets budget with most items remaining flat.

Chairman Fuller made a motion approve 4313 for \$738,750. The motion was seconded by Selectmen Hart and passed (3-0).

Along with Budget Committee Chairman Strauss the board reviewed Capital Reserve Funds and Expendable Trust Funds and discussed how they will be funded next year.

Chairman Fuller made a motion to approve and sign 4916 for \$36,500 Expendable Trust Funds in the following amounts for next year's warrant. The motion was seconded by Selectman Espie and passed (3-0).

Bridge Maintenance	\$ 2,000
Municipal Buildings	\$10,000
Municipal Electronic Equipment	\$ 2,000
Police Safety Gear	\$ 2,000
Historic Town Hall	\$10,000
Library	\$ 0
Fire Department Equipment	\$ 2,000

Planning Land Use CIP	\$ 1,000
Aquatic	\$ 2,500
Voting Machine	\$ 2,500
Emer Mgmt Generator replacement	\$ 2,500

Chairman Fuller made a motion to approve and sign 4915 for \$37,000 Capital Reserve Funds in the following amounts for next year's warrant. The motion was seconded by Selectman Hart and passed (3-0).

Parsonsfield Mutual Aid	\$ 2,000
Fire Truck/Equipment	\$20,000
Police Cruiser	\$15,000
Transfer/Recycling	\$ 2,000

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

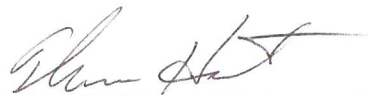
Next Meetings: Budget Committee, Tuesday, November 23, 2021, 6:00 p.m.
 Board of Selectmen Tuesday, November 30, 2021 9:00 a.m.
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Respectfully Submitted,
 Darlene McWhirter

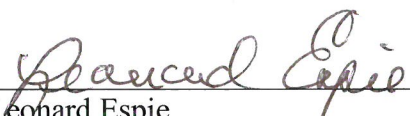


 Charles Fuller

Dated: November 30, 2021



 Thomas Hart



 Leonhard Espie