



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

Board of Selectmen's Work Session Minutes
January 18, 2023

Present: Chairman Espie, Selectmen Kirkwood and Fuller, Town Administrator Fraizer and Budget Chairman Strauss

Chairman Espie called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

The Board reviewed the mail and signature folder. The mail included a notice from AmeriGas with new rates. The signature folder included a timber tax and employee change forms.

At 9:16 a.m. Chairman Espie made a motion to go into non-public under RSA 91-A:3, II(c) with Police Chief Duchesne. The motion was seconded by Selectman Fuller. The motion passed (3-0)

At 9:46 a.m. Chairman Espie made a motion to come out of non-public. The motion was seconded by Selectman Fuller. The motion passed (3-0)

Chairman Espie made a motion to seal the minutes permanently. The motion was seconded by Selectman Fuller. The motion passed (3-0)

Chairman Espie made a motion to approve the Minutes of January 3, 2023. The motion was seconded by Selectman Fuller. The motion passed (3-0)

Chairman Espie made a motion to approve the non-public Minutes of January 3, 2023. The motion was seconded by Selectman Fuller. The motion passed (3-0)

Chairman Espie made a motion to approve the Manifest dated January 18, 2023 in the amount of \$13,851.95. The motion was seconded by Selectman Fuller. The motion passed (3-0)

The Board reviewed the 2022 Budget to Actual Report. Town Administrator Fraizer said there were still a couple of adjustments to be made, one to postage and one to health insurance. She reviewed a couple of changes the Budget Committee Chairman requested. Funds will be moved from Trustee of the Trust Funds office supplies to the executive budget. Funds will be moved from the Green Mountain Road warrant expenses to the Road Budget.

The Board reviewed the remaining costs associated with the Bailey Road Bridge. There are remaining expenses of \$99,262 and remaining budget of \$43,604 and State budget funds of \$67,418 to cover the expenses.

Town Administrator Fraizer will research how to properly record the State unanticipated funds for roads and bridges.

Budget Chairman Strauss clarified the amount the Fire Department was over on new equipment in 2022, it was \$8,199.

The Board reviewed the 2023 draft warrant articles. The remaining action items include:

- Notifying abutters on Stillings Lane discontinuance;
- Removing the vote, i.e. 3-0;
- Correcting the Operating Budget to \$2,124,713;
- Revising the Elm Street Paving to be \$400,000 with \$250,000 from taxation;
- Verifying with NHMA the LUCT and Elderly Exemption are non-monetary;
- Revising the description of the Elderly Exemption;
- Entering the full Animal Control Ordinance but verifying the entire wording needs to be included with NHMA;
- Selectman Fuller draft description language for the Communications District article.

Selectman Fuller will attend the Action Ambulance Contract meeting on February 6, 2023 in Freedom, NH.

Town Administrator Fraizer reported the Waste Management contract is being reviewed by their contract folks to review the PRIMEX and Town Attorney's comments.

Selectman Fuller will have the Town Attorney's input to the Ossipee Recreation Contract for the Board to review in their meeting on January 24, 2023.

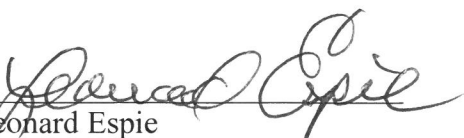
Selectman Fuller brought up a discrepancy in the Transfer Station Fees between the website, the ordinance, and the handout. Town Administrator Fraizer will resolve.

Selectman Kirkwood asked for the Stop sign at the end of Winter Road onto Green Mountain Road be replaced. Chairman Espie will make it a priority for the Road Contractor once the ground thaws.


Budget Chairman Strauss reviewed the schedule for the Budget Committee. They meet on Tuesday January 24, 2023 to review the warrant articles. Wednesday the 25th is a snow date. Any petition warrant articles are due by Tuesday February 7th. On February 8, 2023 the Budget Committee will hold their public hearing for 2023 Budget. Thursday the 9th is a snow date. He will get the newspaper notice to the Town Administrator for publishing. He will also get the packet for the public hearing to the Town Administrator in time for printing.

Selectman Fuller made a motion to adjourn at 11:10 a.m. The motion was seconded by Chairman Espie. The motion passed (3-0).

Respectfully Submitted,
Audrey Fraizer


Leonard Espie

Dated: January 24, 2023


Charles Fuller


Victoria Kirkwood

