

TOWN OF EATON, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03832

EVANS MEMORIAL BUILDING

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

January 21, 2025

The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen took place on Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at the Evans Memorial Building. Present were Ed Reilly, Greg Grinnell and Dick Fortin. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm.

The Board reviewed checks and signed the Accounts Payable manifest for \$5,519.10 for 15 items.

School Board Member Sue Willey joined the Board to discuss a proposed School Warrant Article. The Board explained that the Town Hall property is still under the ownership of the Eaton School Board, and the Warrant Article is to sell the parcel to the Town of Eaton. The only known reference to ownership of the Town Hall property goes back to a Registry of Deed entry dating back to November 5, 1951 (sale from Allen & Mary Kenneson to the Eaton School District). As far as it is known, the property was not transferred from the Eaton School District to the Town of Eaton.

The Board reviewed the Minutes of January 7 and 14, 2025. ***Dick Fortin made a motion, seconded by Greg Grinnell, to adopt the Minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.***

The Board reviewed and signed correspondence to the Eaton Village Preservation Society.

The Madison Zoning Board of Adjustment submitted a Public Hearing Notice for a proposed cell tower off King Pine Road.

Action Ambulance Service submitted the 2024 year-end activity reports.

The Board reviewed Legislative Bulletins#1 and #2.

The Board reviewed an email from Ron Briggs regarding additional research to show the entire length of Everett White Road on the survey plan being prepared for the Town Hall property.

Ed Reilly suggested that the information on land usage breakdown should be provided to the Planning Board for possible inclusion in the Master Plan.

Ed Reilly noted that the Safety Committee should schedule a meeting for April.

Greg Grinnell gave an update on the Planning Board and noted that the suggestion arose for the Town to obtain internet service at the Beach.

The Board discussed Paul Nuccio's request regarding septic testing. Dick Fortin recommended that the Board look at the water data with an agent from UNH to get a better sense of what may be happening. Ed Reilly stated that the lakes are owned by the State and questioned if the State should be investigating the matter. Dick Fortin stated that he will contact Bob Craycraft at UNH to schedule a meeting.

Greg Grinnell stated that he spoke to an architect who is willing to be involved in the Town Hall/Town Garage project.

Dick Fortin explained that he researched the issue of cutting trees on a scenic road and gave an overview of NHMA's legal opinion of a landowner cutting on their own property.

Dick Fortin suggested that William Heath enroll in the "Smart About Salt" NHDES on-line training. Ed Reilly stated that he will discuss the matter with William.

Dick Fortin gave an update on the Conservation Commission. Dick Fortin stated that NH Burn Council is investigating an outside insurance company for liability insurance as the Town's insurance company will not cover a prescribed burn.

The Board reviewed the draft Selectmen's Report. The Board continued working on the 2025 operating budget and scheduled a work session for Thursday, January 23rd, at 1 pm to continue working on budgets and Warrant Articles.

Greg Grinnell made a motion, seconded by Dick Fortin, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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