

**EASTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
14 DECEMBER 2015
7:00 PM
EASTON TOWN OFFICE
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Chairman Paul Dudley, Mike Corey, Doug Blackstone, Bruce Flewelling, and Jim Gardner Town Manager. Scott Allen arrived at 7:15.

There was no Public Comment.

Selectmen Corey made the motion to approve minutes of the Board of Selectmen's 9 November 2015 Regular Meeting. Selectmen Flewelling seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Selectmen Corey made the motion to approve and sign treasurer's warrants #86-#99. Selectmen Blackstone seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Selectmen Flewelling made the motion to approve and sign a contract with Maine Assessment & Appraisal, Dixmont, Maine for assessing agent services performed in the year 2016. Selectmen Corey seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0

Selectmen Blackstone made the motion to approve and sign the veteran's exemption request concerning Richard Gagnon. Selectmen Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Selectmen Allen made the motion to approve and sign the abatement request for Francis Science Center. Selectmen Corey seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Selectmen Flewelling made the motion to approve and sign the pole location request from Fairpoint Communications. Selectmen Blackstone seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

During the review and approval portion of the meeting Town Manager Gardner discussed that there were some adjustments that needed to be approve to Town Road Improvement account as there was situations during the year that should have come from other accounts. Selectmen Corey made the motion to move \$15,000 from the Town Road Improvement expense account to Article 35 from the 2015 Town Meeting Warrant and the remaining monies needed to bring the Town Road Improvement expense account to the approved appropriation of \$213,000 into the Highway Department building repair account. Selectmen Blackstone seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed letter from Maine Municipal Association Risk Management regarding issues at the Odd Fellow Hall that needed to be addressed for building insurance coverage. So noted.

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed the quote from Gary's Yamaha for the tractor that was going to the West Ridge Manor. So noted.

During the Manager's Report Town Manager Gardner informed the Board of Selectmen that there was some interest in a Town owned building being purchased by a company currently leasing the building, will update at a later point. Town Manager Gardner also informed the Board of Selectmen that the 2015 Updated Easton Comprehensive Plan had been personally submitted on 14 December 2015. Town Manager Gardner stated that he had been informed by the Easton Fire Chief that there was a leak around the overflow pipe on the new (2010) tanker/pumper and the truck will be out of commission for about 3-4 weeks. Finally Town Manager Gardner informed the Board of Selectmen that he would be discussing with the local DEP the clean-up of 59 Station Road, which is currently owned by the Town of Easton.

Chairman Dudley stated he would like to further the discussion on solar power in powering municipal buildings. Town Manager Gardner stated he would find someone in the industry that would be willing to speak to the Board of Selectmen

Selectmen Flewelling made the motion to adjourn at 8:55 pm. Selectmen Blackstone seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted
Jim Gardner, Town Manager