

**TOWN OF EASTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2024
6:30 PM
EASTON TOWN OFFICE
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Bruce Flewelling, Scott Allen, Norm Trask, Tammy Beaulier-Fuller and Cheryl Clark

Chairman Flewelling called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

There was no public comment

Tim Roix of BRSA provided a limited review of the three more sites currently being considered for the new fire Station. Site 3 is Bruce Flewelling's lot on Houlton Road, Site 4 is Merlon Cronkite's lot on Houlton Road and Site 5 is below (east) of the tennis courts on Center Road. It was moved by Tammy Beaulier-Fuller and seconded by Norm Trask to obtain an appraisal of Bruce Flewelling's property for fair-market value with the intention of buying 3 acres (exact area to be determined by Tim Roix), to pay all costs related to this sale, and to recognized Bruce and Valorie Flewelling's 5 grandchildren on the building. Motion carried 3-0 with 1 abstained. Greg White and Tim Roix will be invited to next meeting to discuss fire station lot.

Tammy Beaulier-Fuller updated the Board of Selectmen on discussion regarding 1 mile safety zone for ammonia emissions from McCain's. Darren Woods indicated that what he provided to the Fire Chief was an informal document and was not intended to be used to determine whether a fire station could be built in that zone; he has no power to say yes or no to where the fire station is built. He also gave Tammy some information on the benefits of the HazMat truck. He will attend the next regular Board of Selectmen's meeting.

It was moved by Norm Trask and seconded by Tammy Beaulier-Fuller to approve the minutes of July 15, 2024, regular Board of Selectmen's meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

It was moved by Scott Allen and seconded by Tammy Beaulier-Fuller to approve the minutes of July 22, 2024, special Board of Selectmen's meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

It was moved by Scott Allen and seconded by Tammy Beaulier-Fuller to approve and sign treasurer's warrants #38-#42. Motion carried 4-0.

It was moved by Scott Allen and seconded by Tammy Beaulier-Fuller to approve the financial figures through August 6, 2024. Motion carried 4-0.

Reviewed and discussed Easton School Department's FY2022-2023 final audit report.

Reviewed and discussed Easton School Department's financial statement as of 7/31/2024.

Reviewed Five-Year Pay Increase Comparison spreadsheet. Cheryl will complete MMA Salary Survey and provide a report to Board of Selectmen when it becomes available.

It was moved by Scott Allen and seconded by Tammy Beaulier-Fuller to accept the Cemetery Committee as presented. Motion carried 4-0 and appointment signed.

It was moved by Scott Allen and seconded by Tammy Beaulier-Fuller not to go forward with Andrew King's request to cut poplar trees on town owned land around subdivision, cemetery and town garage. Motion carried 4-0.

It was moved by Scott Allen and seconded by Tammy Beaulier-Fuller to deny permission to hunt on the town-owned dump site on Houlton Road. Motion carried 4-0.

It was moved by Bruce Flewelling and seconded by Tammy Beaulier-Fuller to put Tanker #1 out to bid in the Star Herald one more time. Motion carried 4-0.

It was moved by Bruce Flewelling and seconded by Norm Trask to send the restrictions and covenants of the Village Acres Subdivision to get his advice on whether it is acceptable for Adam Bindar to rent out the house that he has almost finished building until he is able to sell it and revisit the issue at the next regular Board of Selectmen's meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

Reviewed bid contract for work to Curtis Road and Lamoreau Road from Soderberg Construction supplied from Bob Clark, Road Commissioner.

Discussion of sale of Map 4 Lot 20J to Erica Fuller tabled until next meeting when price of similar sales from the Town can be provided.

Updated Board of Selectmen on progress of Park. Chuck Halvorson is planning to start on the canopies by August 16th and the benches, picnic tables and grills are supposed to arrive August 20th. Expecting to complete the projects indicate in the scope of the grant within the project deadline of September 30, 2024.

It was moved by Tammy Beaulier-Fuller and seconded by Scott Allen to adjourn at 8:35 PM.