

**EASTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
12 APRIL 2021
7:00 PM
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Vice Chairman Bruce Flewelling, Doug Blackstone, Scott Allen, Tammy Beaulier-Fuller, Norm Trask and Jim Gardner Town Manager

Vice Chairman Flewelling called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Selectmen Trask made the motion to elect Selectmen Flewelling to serve as Chairman of the Easton Board of Selectmen for the fiscal year of 2021-2022. Selectmen Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0-1 (1 abstention was Selectmen Flewelling)

Selectmen Blackstone made the motion to elect Selectmen Allen as Vice Chairman of the Easton Board of Selectmen for the fiscal year of 2021-2022. Selectmen Trask seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0-1 (1 abstention was Selectmen Allen)

No Public Comment.

Selectmen Allen made the motion to approve the minutes of 8 March 2021 Regular Meeting. Selectmen Blackstone seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0-2 (2 abstentions were Selectmen Beaulier-Fuller and Selectmen Trask).

Selectmen Blackstone made the motion to approve and sign treasure's warrants #7 - #17. Selectmen Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Selectmen Blackstone made the motion to approve the financial figures through 7 April 2021. Selectmen Trask seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Selectmen Flewelling made the motion to approve and sign the 2021 County Tax Bill. Selectmen Beaulier-Fuller seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0

Selectmen Allen made the motion to approve and sign 2021-2022 Annual Appointments. Selectmen Blackstone seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed the April Easton Recreation Department schedule. So, noted.

During the Manager's Report Town Manager Gardner stated that he had spoke with the company that is building our new tanker/pumper fire truck. They stated that if the Town put 90% of the price to build the truck down, they would give the Town a \$8,800 in credits. Chief White mentioned to Town Manager Gardner these credits could be used for radios and other attachments that would need to come out of next years budget. Town Manager Gardner stated that Prestile Community Park Committee has only about \$18,000 to raise before obtaining their goal for a 50% match with the Department of Land and Water Conservation Fund. Town Manager Gardner updated the Easton Board of Selectmen on the progress in obtaining information concerning the Grange Apartments sale and that he would be meeting with a realtor first week of May 2021. Town Manager Gardner stated that Easton would be receiving roughly \$118,000 from the new government stimulus package and that Town of Easton would be looking to invest in a Town wide internet provider. Gardner had spoke with one carrier that put the price tag around \$1,082,000 but this would be all new fiber cable. Other internet providers have a footprint already in the community and may have a different price tag, Gardner stated he would continue to update the Easton Board of Selectmen. Town Manager Gardner stated to the Board of Selectmen that he had a very good conversation with the new Superintendent of Easton School Department about the upcoming annual school budget.

Selectmen Blackstone made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. Selectmen Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jim Gardner
Easton Town Manager