

**EASTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
19 JULY 2021
6:30 PM
MINUTES**

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

Chairman Flewelling called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 pm

No Public Comment.

Selectmen Blackstone made the motion to approve the minutes of 14 June 2021 Regular Meeting. Selectmen Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0

Selectmen Trask made the motion to approve the minutes of 21 June 2021 Special Meeting. Selectmen Beaulier-Fuller seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0

Selectmen Allen made the motion to approve and sign treasure's warrants #37 - #49. Selectmen Trask seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Selectmen Allen made the motion to approve the financial figures through 8 July 2021. Selectmen Trask seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Selectmen Beaulier-Fuller made the motion to approve the American Rescue Plan project administrator partnership with the County of Aroostook. Selectmen Blackstone seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed the recent sale of another lot in Moose Meadows subdivision. So, noted.

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed information concerning broadband internet service. So, noted.

Easton Board of Selectmen review information concerning the Observatory project at the Francis Malcolm Science Center. So, noted.

During the Manager's Report Town Manager Gardner stated that the initial assessments for the industries has a delta of about \$19,000,000. Town Manager Gardner stated that with the reduction in buildings with one of the industries of \$13,000,000 and a loss of \$6,000,000 in

personal property at the same industry has created the deficit. Cheryl Clark stated that she is still working with Marshall & Stevens, Town of Easton Industrial Assessing Agent, to finalize the numbers and should be ready by the next Easton Board of Selectmen meeting. Town Manager Gardner stated that until all the numbers are in there is no way of knowing where the mil rate will be set at, adding the mil rate is going to go up. Town Manager Gardner stated that he had hired the services of BRSA Engineering of Presque Isle to begin the process of developing the Village Acres Subdivision on the Station Road. The funds will come from the UDAG account not to exceed \$20,000, which will include laying out the road, putting bid documents together, soliciting bids for the road project, setting boundaries to abutting properties and administering the project. Town Manager Gardner stated that he would be on vacation the rest of the week.

During the Selectmen Items Easton Board of Selectmen ask the Town Manager if projects could be prioritized with expected completion dates. Town Manager Gardner stated that he would itemize each project and create a priority/current status list for the next regular scheduled meeting.

Selectmen Allen made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 p.m. Selectmen Trask seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jim Gardner
Easton Town Manager