

**EASTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
8 NOVEMBER 2021
6:30 PM
MINUTES**

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

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

No Public Comment.

Selectmen Trask made the motion to approve the minutes of 11 October Public Hearing/Regular Meeting. Selectmen Beaulier-Fuller seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0

Selectmen Allen made the motion to approve and sign treasure's warrants #75 - #82. Selectmen Trask seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Selectmen Allen made the motion to approve the financial figures through 4 November 2021. Selectmen Blackstone seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Easton Board of Selectmen review the Public Hearing Notice from County of Aroostook concerning the 2022-2023. So, noted

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed information regarding Maine Department of Transportation's 2022 Light Capital Paving Project for 2022. So, noted.

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed information from Noval Energy Solutions. So, noted

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed invoice from Powers Roofing concerning municipal building. So, noted

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed thank you memos from Chamber of Commerce, ACAP and MPBN. So, noted

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed the proposed Easton Land Use Ordinance. It was the consensus of the Easton Board of Selectmen to have the proposed ordinance reviewed by the Easton Code Enforcement Officer and send comments to the Easton Board of Selectmen. So, noted

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed the Easton Recreation Department November and December Programs. So, noted.

During the Manager's report Town Manager Gardner informed the Easton Board of Selectmen that the Easton Town Office would be closed on the following dates: 11 November 2021 (Veterans Day), 25 & 26 November 2021 (Thanksgiving and the Friday after), Town Manager Gardner explain to the new members of the Easton Board of Selectmen that the employees gave up Patriots Day for the Friday after Thanksgiving. Town Manager Gardner ask the Easton Board of Selectmen to think about a date to celebrate the Holidays with Easton Board of Selectmen and Town Employees and let the Town Clerk know what they would like to do. Town Manager Gardner ask the Easton Board of Selectmen how involved they wanted to be with the process of the Easton School system heating/ventilation project? The consensus of the Easton Board of Selectmen was to be involved with the complete process of the Easton School system heating/ventilation system. Town Manager Gardner informed the Easton Board of Selectmen that the bid packages were distributed to 4 local contractors with a bid opening of 18 November 2021. Town Manager Gardner stated that the north end of the building's rubber roof had to be repaired and that the boiler for the Municipal building was leaking. Town Manager Gardner stated that the age of the boiler would probably require replacement. Town Manager Gardner informed the Easton Board of Selectmen that as he has started the 2022/2023, he has noticed quite an increase in many operating line items and it will mean that the Municipal budget will be increasing this for 2022/2023 budget year. Town Manager Gardner also stated that he was going to create a Buildings/Grounds Department as the Easton Board of Selectmen was looking to sell the Grange Apartments and this is where the current part-time employee was receiving his salary. Town Manager Gardner stated that the radio antenna tower for the Fire Department located on Ladner Road needed immediate repair and would require dedicating \$3,000 from the unexpected expenses article in 2021/2022 Municipal Budget.

Selectmen Blackstone made the motion to allocate \$3,000 from the Unexpected Expense article in the 2021/2022 for repairs to the Fire Department's radio antenna tower on the Ladner Road. Selectmen Trask seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Town Manager Gardner finished the Manager's Report with a request from a couple of individuals interested in Town Own property. One piece is on the West Ridge Road and the other on Perry Drive. Easton Board of Selectmen had no problem with entertaining the sale price as long as the Town Attorney reviewed and initiated the proper paperwork to complete the transaction.

During Selectmen's Items: There were no Selectmen's Items. So, noted

Selectmen Trask made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m. Selectmen Blackstone seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jim Gardner
Easton Town Manager