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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES
TOWN OF EPPING, NEW HAMPSHIRE
April 23, 2018**



ATTENDANCE

Chairman Adam Munguia; Selectmen Bob Jordan, Tom Dwyer, Mike Yergeau and Cody Belanger; Town Administrator Gregory C. Dodge. Executive Secretary Joyce Blanchard was excused.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Adam Munguia called the public session to order at 7:00 P.M. at the Epping Town Hall.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Chairman Munguia called for a moment of silence in honor of former First Lady Barbara Bush who passed away recently.

MINUTES

Minutes from the April 9, 2018 Selectmen's meeting were submitted for approval

Motion by Selectman Jordan to accept the minutes of April 9, 2018. Seconded by Selectman Dwyer. Motion carried 5-0.

PAYROLL MANIFEST

Payroll manifest for pay period ending April 19, 2018 in the amount of \$120,146.53 was submitted for approval.

Motion by Selectman Dwyer to approve the payroll manifest for pay period ending April 19, 2018 in the amount of \$120,146.53. Seconded by Selectman Jordan. Motion carried 5-0.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE MANIFEST

Accounts payable manifest for the period ending April 19, 2018 in the amount of \$1,132,207.20 (School \$1,000,000.00 and Town \$132,207.20) was submitted for approval.

Mr. Sansoucy joined the meeting again after the conclusion of the Public Hearing. He then wanted to talk about utilities especially as it relates to Liberty Utilities.

Mr. Sansoucy said that the pipeline was pretty much out of the Town's hands since the pipeline will be installed in the State's right of way. As a consultant to the Board of Selectmen Mr. Sansoucy said that the Town will need to manage this project very closely and expressed that the Board should not sign any agreement without consulting with our Town Attorney. **Mr. Sansoucy said that what Liberty was proposing was a good idea in his opinion.**

The construction of the storage tank is a separate issue from the pipeline and if this project were to be approved the storage facility would be the largest in the State. He said these tanks are constructed in such a way that they are extremely safe and often times not visible to the eye as the tanks are built into the ground. He suggested that the Board look at three like sites one in Hopkinton, MA another in Waterbury, CT and Lynn, MA.

A great deal of information was given to the Town by Mr. Sansoucy and so it was suggested that the Town Administrator set up an appointment to speak with Mr. Sansoucy in depth. Selectman Dwyer would like to be part of that discussion.

Note: For more details of Mr. Sansoucy's presentation it is suggested that the ETV meeting tape be reviewed.

RECREATION /DPW – PAVING PROPOSAL

Dave Reinhold and Nicole Bizzaro appeared before the Board to propose the construction of a sidewalk from Watson Academy running east to the Main St. intersection. Most of the work would be performed by the Epping DPW at a cost of approximately \$9,000 including granite curbing. The Selectmen liked the idea and Selectman Dwyer suggested that the sidewalk run northerly at the Main St. intersection up to Prospect St. Two large trees that are on the Town's right of way should be removed as well and Dave said he would speak with the property owners. Dave Reinhold will report back to the Board in two weeks giving them different scenarios in completing this project.

No motion was put forward the Board will await to hear further from Dave Reinhold.

LAMPREY TRUCK

Dave Reinhold spoke to the Board about the possibility of bidding on the Lamprey Regional Solid Waste Cooperative Truck. Deadline for bid submission in on May 1, 2018. Dave felt that the Town could benefit in the long run. The Board discussed the idea of bidding for the truck but also suggested that the Town could offer to buy out the truck depending on costs. Dave said that there was \$60,000.00 in the hauling fee line and money could be used from that line. It was suggested by the Board that the Town might be able to buyout the other Towns. The truck is currently parked at the Town's Highway garage.

Selectman Dwyer made a motion to see if Lamprey Co-Op would allow the Town to settle on the truck with a buy out and if not the Town would put forward a bid which was suggested by Dave Reinhold. Seconded by Selectman Belanger. Motion carried 5-0.

AMBULANCE BILLING DISCUSSION

Fire Chief Don DeAngelis and Finance Director Lisa Fogg addressed the Board relative to the new billing company the Town is contracted with. In view of previous discussions with the Board there were concerns raised that some Town residents are reimbursed for ambulance service directly by the Insurance companies. Though we don't bill after three attempts, in some cases the patient are receiving checks directly from the insurance company and retaining the check when in fact the ambulance service should be paid. There should