

TOWN OF TOPSHAM
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
MARCH 5, 2015 - 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Donald Russell
Marie Brilliant
David Douglass
Ruth Lyons
William Thompson

MEMBER(S) ABSENT: All present

STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager, Richard Roedner

A meeting of the Topsham Board of Selectmen was held on Thursday, March 5, 2015 at the Municipal Building at 100 Main Street, Topsham, Maine.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL

Chairman Russell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All present were invited to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The recording secretary took the roll call and noted that all Selectmen were present.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

- We found a functional problem with our web page, which has now been fixed. When you moved over the "on-line services" button, all you saw was a link to meeting videos. Now, when you click on the button, you get the full range of on-line services that the Town offers, including registering vehicles, boats, animals, paying taxes, on-line forms, and meeting videos. So check out the link and find out what business you can do with the town without having to come into Town Hall. If you are interested in the direct link, it is www.topshammaine.com/pay.
- Check out the Library's page for the details on Music March, and all of the musical programs they will be hosing this month.
- The Maine Department of Transportation (DOT) has indicated a willingness to install a center-line rumble strip on Route 196 in an effort to reduce the number of center line crossover accidents. There will be contact from DOT to owners along the affected portion from White House Crossing to the Lisbon Town Line. This will be before the Board of Selectmen on March 19 for discussion.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS AND UPDATES - None noted.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None noted.

CORRESPONDENCE - Chairman Russell noted a letter from the American Legion Post 202 inviting the Board to a breakfast on April 11, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. He asked that anyone interested in attending please notify either the Town Manager or Rose Woodd in the Manager's office.

A copy of a letter the Water District forwarded to the Maine DOT informing them that they want to be part of the meetings discussing changes to the Frank Wood Bridge was forwarded to the Town Office. The Town Manager noted that DOT responded to the Water Dept. assuring them they will be included in the meetings.

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA - Motion was made by Selectman Thompson, seconded by Selectman Douglass, and it was unanimously

VOTED

To amend the rules and add to the agenda, Item **15-14 CONSIDERATION AND ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION TO ACCEPT AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FROM THE MERRYMEETING TRAIL BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SELECTMENS MEETING OF FEBRUARY 19, 2015

Motion was made by Selectman Douglass, seconded by Selectman Lyons, and it was unanimously

VOTED

To approve the minutes of February 19, 2015 as written.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None noted

OLD BUSINESS

15-14 CONSIDERATION AND ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION TO ACCEPT AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FROM THE MERRYMEETING TRAIL BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Selectman Thompson told the Board that due to scheduling conflicts, trying to get everyone from the representative Towns together, changes to the agreement have not been approved. John Shattuck has reviewed the agreement changes and feels they are in order. Chairman Russell said the changes were mostly of a housekeeping nature, but he suggested a change to ARTICLE 4 - TRAIL LOCATION - 4th line down, change "municipality" to "the legislative body." No action was taken on this item except to agree that it will be placed on the Board of Selectmen Meeting agenda for the March 19th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

15-09 CONSIDERATION AND ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION ON AN APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS

Motion was made by Selectman Douglass, seconded by Selectman Thompson, and it was unanimously

VOTED

To appoint Andy MacKellar to the Board of Appeals.

ADJOURN - With no further business to address, motion was made by Selectman Lyons, seconded by Selectman Brilliant, and it was unanimously

VOTED

To adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Members of the Board moved to the upstairs meeting room to work on the upcoming budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Williams, Recording Secretary