

TOWN OF TOPSHAM
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
MARCH 3, 2016 - 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Douglass
Marie Brilliant
Ruth Lyons
William Thompson
Roland Tufts

MEMBER(S) ABSENT: All present

STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager, Richard Roedner

A meeting of the Topsham Board of Selectmen was held on Thursday, March 3, 2016, in the Donald A. Russell Meeting Room, at the Municipal Building, 100 Main Street, Topsham, Maine.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Douglass called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL - 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

The Republican and Democratic parties are holding their caucuses this weekend; Get out and join in. I believe the Green Party held theirs this past weekend.

Midcoast Economic District has kicked off their Solarize Midcoast Program. They are doing several public meetings throughout their district. They will be testing their program on March 22, at the library at 6:00 p.m. They have gone out for proposals and awarded bids to vendors to install solar units on residential structures at a better price than individuals could obtain in general.

Check out the site of The Joy of Lens Program which will be held at the library.

The next series of Back to the Future programs will be held on March 9 at 6:00 p.m. at the Library. Subject will be Historic Resources in Topsham.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS AND UPDATES - None noted.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None noted.

CORRESPONDENCE - Chairman Douglass commended Assistant Planner Carol Eyerman for the work she did at the Williams Cone School with the Tiger Team fifth graders. She brought in Ed Caron and Brian Stockwell to help interest the students on leadership skills.

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

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

VOTED

To add agenda item **16-19 CONSIDERATION AND ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FORECLOSURE OF PROPERTY AT 31 CLEARVIEW LANE PURSUANT TO 36 MRSA §405 (6) (C)**

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SELECTMENS MEETING OF FEBRUARY 18, 2016

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

VOTED

To approve the Consent Calendar, accepting minutes of the February 18, 2016 meeting as written.

PUBLIC HEARING

16-20 CONSIDERATION AND ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION ON POSTING THE FOLLOWING ROADS FROM MARCH 7, 2016 TO APRIL 30, 2016. WINTER STREET FROM MAIN STREET TO WHITEHOUSE CROSSING ROAD (INCLUDING RIVER ROAD)/WHITE HOUSE CROSSING ROAD/CATHANCE ROAD/MEADOW CROSS ROAD/WARD ROAD/ WEST MERRILL ROAD/ROBERT'S HILL ROAD/FORESIDE ROAD FROM TOWN-SEND WAY TO MIDDLESEX ROAD

The Public Hearing was declared open. There being no one wishing to comment, the Public Hearing was declared closed.

Public Works Director Dennis Cox reviewed the list of roads he is recommending to be posted because of frost heaves. The procedure to be followed will be that as described in the Town's Code Book, Chapter 2210, Vehicles and Traffic, Article IX Weight Restrictions 210-62. Suggested roads to be posted are the same as posted last year. The posting will be effective from March 7, 2016 to April 30, 2016, or sooner if conditions allows.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None noted.

OLD BUSINESS - None Noted.

NEW BUSINESS - None noted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

16-19 CONSIDERATION AND ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FORECLOSURE OF PROPERTY AT 31 CLEARVIEW LANE PURSUANT TO 36 MRSA §405 (6) (C)

At 7:08, motion was made by Selectman Tufts, seconded by Selectman Lyons and it was unanimously

VOTED

To go into Executive Session to discuss tax acquired properties.

At 7:26 p.m., it was moved, seconded, and unanimously voted that the Board come out of Executive Session and return to regular session.

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

VOTED

To instruct the Town Manager to contact the former owner of the property and explain the repayment terms as discussed in Executive Session.

ADJOURN

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

VOTED

To adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Williams, Recording Secretary