

**EASTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
10 JULY 2017
7:00 PM
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Chairman Mike Corey, Bruce Flewelling, Paul Dudley, Scott Allen (entered meeting at 8:00) and Jim Gardner Town Manager.

Chairman Corey called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Selectmen Flewelling made the motion to approve minutes of the 12 June 2017 Regular Meeting. Selectmen Dudley seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Selectmen Dudley made the motion to approve and sign treasurer's warrants #45 through #58. Selectmen Flewelling seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Selectmen Flewelling made the motion to approve Financial Figures through 5 July 2017. Selectmen Dudley seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Selectmen Flewelling made the motion to approve and sign utility poles setting request from EMERA. Selectmen Dudley seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed documents from Maine Property Tax Division concerning 2018 preliminary State Valuation. So noted.

Selectmen Dudley made the motion to approve the petition concerning the creation of a School Budget Advisory Committee, draft the ordinance, conduct a public hearing on the subject and send forward to the voters in a referendum in November 2017. Selectmen Flewelling seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed documents from Maine Department of Labor, Safety Works division concerning inspection of Easton Volunteer Fire Department. So noted.

Easton Board of Selectmen reviewed an email from Kris Lento concerning Peace Park. So noted.

Selectmen Dudley made the motion to send the individuals with violations letters for illegal junkyards on to the Town Attorney for further action. Selectmen Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0

Selectmen Allen made the motion to compile a marijuana ordinance that would prohibit the retail sale of marijuana and prohibit marijuana social clubs in the Town of Easton, then set public hearing and send to voters in November 2017. Selectmen Flewelling seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0

During the Town Manager's Report Town Manager Jim Gardner informed the Easton Board of Selectmen that Easton Assessing agent would be ready to commit property taxes on 26 July 2017 with tax bills received by taxpayers in early July. Town Manager Jim Gardner also stated that there would be an additional amount of Education monies coming from the State of Maine Education department and if able to use the monies it would off-set the increase in homestead exemption monies the Town of Easton would have to raise in new taxes. Easton Town Manager Jim Gardner also informed the Easton Board of Selectmen that Cheryl would be on vacation this week and that he would be on vacation the following week.

Selectmen Allen made the motion to adjourn at 9:49 pm. Selectmen Flewelling seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim Gardner
Easton Town Manager