

## Town of Chatham

September 1, 2016

Attendance: Wayne Infinger, Bill Briggs, Jason Eastman, Tricia Pitman, Sue Crowley, Richard Luongo, Lisa Lewis, Judy Bailey, Doug MacPherson, Steve Eastman

Meeting called to order.

Minutes for August 4, 2016 were accepted as written.

MS-1 extension form was signed and will be sent to the DRA.  
Vouchers were signed.

Intent to cut for James Garland was signed.

A two year workers compensation contract was signed with Primex.

The Board agreed to a 90 day extension to the listing agreement with Suzie Laskin. She indicated that there is someone from Penn. Interested in the property. Wayne Infinger will handle the extension details with her.

Inspectors of the Election were appointed by the Board.

Democrat: The day will be split between Judy Bailey and Ellie Eastman.

Republican: Bill Briggs.

Trustee of the Trust Fund: Steve Eastman was appointed to replace Willard Lebroke.

Planning Board: Ron Briggs was moved from being an alternate to a regular member.

Library/School House:

The building will remain closed. The floor is still overloaded.

The engineer recommended that books be removed slowly,

starting at the doors and working in. Further assessment of building cannot be done with books inside. Wayne Infinger was wondering if a public meeting should be held to determine if the town wanted to close the library or keep it opened.

Jason Eastman stated that he was not comfortable spending any more town funds on the building until he knows how the town's people feel about it.

Doug MacPherson wondered if the books could be removed now. Wayne Infinger felt that the books could be removed.

Lisa Lewis wondered if the building could be used by the Historical Society if the books were removed.

Wayne Infinger stated that he would have to check with the engineer but he thought yes.

Steve Eastman wondered if the Board would have the study done or if the Historical Society would be obligated to have the study done prior to the Historical Society using the building.

Wayne Infinger stated that he could not answer that question.

Lisa Lewis asked if the Historical Society would be able to obtain grants if it did not own the land.

Wayne Infinger stated that all of that could be worked out later.

Ellie Eastman questioned the value of the books.

Questions that arose from the discussion:

Who owns the books at this time?

Could the books be donated to the Historical Society?

Could someone evaluate the value of the books?

Could an addition be added to the building?

At the next meeting a plan will be made on how to remove the books.

David Emery will be contacted to set a date to meet with him to budget for the town hall project.

Road Agent: Butter Hill Rd. had a couple of culverts replaced. The ditches were cleaned. He will grade the road if it rains. Bill discussed the possible need to have speed limit signs on Province Brook rd. and Butter Hill rd.

Port a potti will be delivered on the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> of Sept.

Handicap parking may need to be remarked.

Other Business:

Sue Crowley asked for the railings and the granite to be removed. She felt that the granite should have been removed prior to the grass being seeded down. Wayne stated that the granite would remain there for the time being. Bill Briggs might remove it after the ground freezes. It was suggested that it be used to make a fence for the new cemetery.

Sue also asked for keys to the town house so that she can enter to set up for the town picnic.

Doug MacPherson asked about voting by paper ballot at town meeting

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Pitman