MINUTES OF THE EFFINGHAM TOWN MEETING 2008

Session I: Tuesday, March 11, 2008

J. Michael Cauble, Moderator Pro-Tem called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM; a motion was made by Marilynn Maughan, seconded by Sheila Jones to forego the reading of the first 12 articles. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote. Mr. Cauble declared the polls open.

Susan Slack, Moderator closed the polls at 7:00 PM; Ballot Clerks Victoria Kirkwood, Irene Riordan, J. Michael Cauble, William Piekut, Marilynn Maughan, Deanna Amaral, Tracy Cragin and Gwenda English counted the town ballots for election of officers and the 11 questions. The Governor Wentworth Regional School District ballots were delivered to Wolfeboro for counting by Chief of Police Joseph Collins. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM to re-convene at the Effingham Elementary School on Saturday, March 15, 2008 at 9:00 AM.

The Checklist listed 892 registered voters, 179 ballots were cast, including 2 absentee ballots. Ms. Slack announced the following results for the election of officers. Please note that write-in votes of less than five, unless critical to the outcome, are not included in these minutes.

Moderator, two year term:	Susan Slack		157	
Selectmen, three year term:	Timothy l	Eldridge	150	
Trustee of Trust Funds, three year term:	Douglas V	Woods	6*	
Trustee of Library, three year term (2 positions):	Deanna Amaral J. Michael Cauble		157 118	
Supervisor of the Checklist, six year term:	Cheryl W Rebecca I	esinger Harrington	64 70	
Budget Committee Member, two year term:	Frank Key	ville	7*	
Budget Committee Member, three year term (2 positions):	Michael F Paul Barto	•	144 130	
Planning Board Member, three year term (2 positions):	Stefan Za Jory B. A		119 128	
Zoning Board of Adjustment Member, three year term (2 p	ositions):	Lyle Thurs Stefan Zalo Jory B. Au	ewski	108 81 107
Cemetery Trustee, one year term:	N. Eric Po	otter	158	
Cemetery Trustee, two year term:	no one ele	ected with n	nore tha	n 1 vote

Cemetery Trustee, three year term:

David Manley

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*all persons elected to these positions were write-ins.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote in favor of having the office of the Town Clerk combined with the office of the Tax Collector, thereby creating a new office of the Town Clerk-Tax Collector to be held by one individual. If a majority of those persons voting on the question, vote in favor of creating the combined office of Town Clerk-Tax Collector in 2008, at the 2009 annual meeting, the voters of the Town of Effingham shall choose by ballot, one individual as Town Clerk-Tax Collector and that individual shall serve a term of three (3) years.

YES 135 NO 42

Article 3. Are you in favor of Zoning Amendment 2008-2 as proposed by the Planning Board, to add Article 19: Floodplain Ordinance, establishing an ordinance that will qualify the town for enrollment in the National Flood Insurance Program.

The Planning Board is in favor of this article YES 141 NO 35

Article 4: Are you in favor of Zoning Amendment 2008-3, as proposed by the Planning Board, to amend Article 18, Section 1804: Applicability, to replace "Open Space/Conservation Subdivision is allowed in the Rural Agricultural and Village Districts by Planning Board approval. It is not allowed in the Historic and Province Lake Districts" with the sentence, "Open Space/Conservation Subdivision is allowed in all zoning districts by Planning Board approval."

The Planning Board is in favor of this article. YES 118 NO 59

Article 5: Are you in favor of Zoning Amendment 2008-4, as proposed by the Planning Board, to 1) add Section 709, Voluntary Demolition/Removal and Replacement of Non-Conforming Structure, 2) add to Article 10: Use Specific Conditions for Approval for Non-Conforming Structure (Voluntary Demolition/Removal and Replacement), and 3) add to Article 10, Table 1 "Non-Conforming Structure (Voluntary Demolition/Removal and Replacement)," permitted by special exception in all districts and zones. The intent of this amendment is to make it easier for the owner of a non-conforming structure to voluntarily demolish or remove and replace the structure.

The Planning Board is in favor of this article. YES 133 NO 41

Article 6: Are you in favor of Zoning Amendment 2008-5, as proposed by the Planning Board, to change the wording of Section 702.1 to read, "Upon approval of a special Exception permit by the Zoning Board of Adjustment (see Article 10 Non-Conforming Use Change or Expansion), a nonconforming use may be changed or expanded upon a finding by the ZBA that such a change will bring the use into closer conformance with the provisions of this Ordinance, or will make the nonconforming aspect no worse. A use will be deemed to have been brought into closer conformance with the provisions of this Ordinance, or have been made no worse, if it

is less or no more intense than the previous nonconforming use, as measured by volume and type of traffic expected to be generated, size of building or structure housing the use, number of potential customers, number of bedrooms, or similar measures of intensity of use. The ZBA may approve, approve with conditions, or disapprove requests under this section.

The Planning Board is in favor of this article. YES 113 NO 57

Article 7: Are you in favor of Zoning Amendment 2008-6, as proposed by the Planning Board, to replace the word "use" with "structure" in the last sentence of Section 704. The intent of this amendment is to resolve an inconsistency in terms used in Section 704.

The Planning Board is in favor of this article. YES 128 NO 30

Article 8: Are you in favor of Zoning Amendment 2008-7, as proposed by the Planning Board, to remove Building Height from Section 302: Definitions, as it is already defined under Section 606.

The Planning Board is in favor of this article. YES 125 NO 43

Article 9: Are you in favor of Zoning Amendment 2008-8, as proposed by the Planning Board, to remove the words under Section 401, Purpose: "ordinary high water mark." The intent of this amendment is to resolve an inconsistency in terms used in Section 401.

The Planning Board is in favor of this article. YES 127 NO 41

Article 10: Are you in favor of Zoning Amendment 2008-9, as proposed by the Planning Board, to amend the town zoning ordinance to correct typographical and punctuation errors throughout the document. This is a housekeeping issue.

The Planning Board is in favor of this article. YES 138 NO 34

Article 11: Are you in favor of Zoning Amendment 2008-10, as proposed by the Planning Board, to amend the definition of Recreational Vehicle in Article 2, Section 302, to 1) change the allowable width to not more than eight and a half (8 ½) feet, and 2) add the sentence, "This definition does not include any trailer or vehicle for which a special permit is required for transportation along any roadway, in accordance with RSA 266:24." The intent of this article is to clarify the definition of Recreational Vehicle in this ordinance.

The Planning Board is in favor of this article. YES 98 NO 73

Article 12: Are you in favor of this amendment to the Town of Effingham Zoning Ordinance proposed by Citizens Petition, as follows: To amend Article 3, Section 302, entitled "Definitions" by changing the definition of "*Recreation Vehicle* a) Travel Trailer" by increasing the size of the allowed body main frame area from its current 320 square feet to 400 square feet. Currently the definition of Travel Trailer reads as follows: a) Travel Trailer --- shall mean a vehicular, portable structure built on a chassis, designed as a temporary dwelling for

travel, recreation and vacation use having a body width of not more than eight (8) feet and length of not more than forty (40) feet." After passage of this amendment, the definition of Travel Trailer would read: a) Travel Trailer --- shall mean a vehicular, portable structure built on a chassis, designed as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreation and vacation use having a body main frame area of no greater than 400 square feet.

The Planning Board is not in favor of this article. YES 87 NO 84

Session II: Susan Slack, Moderator gaveled the meeting to order 9:15 AM on Saturday, March 15, 2008 with approximately 65 Effingham voters in attendance. Moderator Slack held a moment of silence in honor of those Effingham residents who passed away in 2007. Town Clerk Marilynn Maughan read the election results from March 11, 2008. Moderator Slack then proceeded to explain how the meeting would be conducted and read Article 13 to the voters present.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) to paint the exterior of the Town Hall/Library Building. This requires a majority vote. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

The article was moved by William Piekut, seconded by James Morris. Following a discussion the article passed by unanimous voice vote.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty One Thousand Five Hundred and Eleven Dollars (\$31,511.00) to contract the services of Avitar Associates of New England, Inc., for the year 2008. This sum represents payment for the third year of a five-year level funded contract that provides for a full update of property values to market rate in 2010 as required by RSA 75:8-a, as well as general assessing services throughout each of the five years and field data verification of information appearing on property tax cards. This requires a majority vote. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

The article was moved by John Meisner, seconded by Paul Bartoswicz. Following a discussion the article passed by unanimous voice vote.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000.00) for road reconstruction. This requires a majority vote. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

The article was moved by Timothy Eldridge, seconded by John Meisner. Following a discussion the article passed by unanimous voice vote.

Article 16. to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) for road resurfacing and sealing. This requires a majority vote. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

The article was moved by William Piekut, seconded by John Meisner. Following a discussion the article passed by unanimous voice vote.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Six Thousand Dollars (\$46,000.00) for payments to the following Capital Reserve Accounts:

Motion was made by Arthur Surette, seconded by James Skehan that each capital reserve account be voted on separately. The Motion passed by majority voice vote.

Invasive Aquatic Plants \$2,000.00

Motion made by Arthur Surette, seconded by James Skehan to reduce this appropriation to \$1,000.00. Following discussion, the motion to reduce the appropriation to \$1,000.00 was passed by majority voice vote.

Fire Truck/Equipment \$20,000.00

This capital reserve account appropriation of \$20,000.00 passed on unanimous voice vote.

Municipal Maintenance Garage \$1,000.00

Motion made by Arthur Surette, seconded by James Skehan to reduce this appropriation to -0-. Motion defeated by majority voice vote.

This capital reserve account appropriation of \$1,000.00 then passed on a majority voice vote.

Police Cruiser/Equipment \$5,000.00

Following discussion, this capital reserve account appropriation of \$5,000.00 passed on a majority voice vote.

Public Safety Buildings \$5,000.00

Motion made by Arthur Surette, seconded by James Skehan to reduce this appropriation to \$2,500.00. Motion defeated by hand count vote.

Following discussion, this capital reserve account appropriation of \$5,000.00 then passed on a majority voice vote.

Salt Shed \$1,000.00

This capital reserve account appropriation of \$1,000.00 passed on a majority voice vote.

Town Owned Bridges \$5,000.00

This capital reserve account appropriation of \$5,000.00 passed on a majority voice vote.

Transfer Station/Recycling Center \$2,000.00

This capital reserve account appropriation of \$2,000.00 passed on a majority voice vote.

Rescue Vehicle/Equipment \$5,000.00

This capital reserve account appropriation of \$5,000.00 passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) from the undesignated fund balance to be added to the Fire Truck and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. The \$1,000.00 was received from the Town of Parsonsfield in 2007 for Fire Department Mutual Aid. This is a special warrant article. This requires a majority vote. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

<u>Moved by Timothy Eldridge, seconded by John Meisner.</u> No discussion. <u>Article 18 passed on a unanimous voice vote.</u>

Motion made by Marilynn Maughan, seconded by William Piekut to restrict reconsideration of Articles 13 through 18. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) to be added to the Emergency Management/Disaster Expendable Trust Fund previously established. This is a special warrant article. This requires a majority vote. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

<u>Moved by William Piekut, seconded by John Meisner.</u> No discussion. <u>Article 19 passed on a unanimous voice vote.</u>

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to the Municipal Buildings Expendable Trust Fund previously established. This is a special warrant article. This requires a majority vote. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Moved by John Meisner, seconded by Timothy Eldridge. Motion made by James Skehan, seconded by Arthur Surette to reduce this article to \$5,000.00. Motion defeated by majority voice vote. Following discussion, the appropriation of \$10,000.00 was passed by majority voice vote.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to be added to the Planning and Land Use Expendable Trust Fund previously established. This is a special warrant article. This requires a majority vote. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Moved by Timothy Eldridge, seconded by John Meisner. This appropriation of \$1,000.00 passed by unanimous voice vote.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) to be added to the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund previously established. This is a special warrant article. This requires a majority vote. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Moved by William Piekut, seconded by John Meisner. Following discussion, this appropriation passed by majority voice vote.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) to be added to the Library Equipment Expendable Trust Fund previously established. This is a special warrant article. This requires a majority vote. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Moved by John Meisner, seconded by Timothy Eldridge. Following discussion, this appropriation passed by unanimous voice vote.

Motion made by Timothy Eldridge, seconded by Michael Cauble to restrict reconsideration of Articles 19 through 23. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$17,500.00) for personal allotments/stipends for Effingham Fire and Rescue Department members. This requires a majority vote. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Moved by Timothy Eldridge, seconded by William Piekut. Following discussion, a motion was made by Michael Gruel, seconded by Irene Riordan to increase this appropriation to \$20,000.00. The motion passed on majority voice vote. Following the passing of the motion, the increase of \$20,000.00 passed on majority voice vote.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$2,200.00) for a survey and placement of permanent markers at Woodland Cemetery. This survey will entail the original section of Woodland Cemetery and establish an additional section of equal size. This requires a majority vote. The Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Moved by William Piekut, seconded by John Meisner. Following discussion, the appropriation passed by unanimous voice vote.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee and the Selectmen's recommended sum of \$1,269,134.00 for the ensuing year for general operations. The article was moved by John Meisner, seconded by Timothy Eldridge. The general operating budget was passed at \$1,270,134.00. This figure passed by majority voice vote. The following is a breakdown by account as to how this figure was derived, with the various discussions, if any ensued.

4130 · Executive

Benevolence Exp	enses	200.00
Computer & Net	twork Expense	2,000.00
Mileage		200.00
Office Equipmen	nt & Supplies	3,000.00
Postage		1,000.00
Salaries		
	Administrative Assistant	31,200.00
	Clerical Support	7,160.00
	Moderator	500.00
	Selectmen	21,000.00
	Trustee of Trust Funds	300.00
Total Salaries		60,160.00
Telephone		1,500.00
Town Meeting E	xpense	200.00
Town Report Pr	inting	1,900.00
Workshops & Se	eminars	500.00
Total 4130 · Exe	ecutive	70,660.00
4140 · Election &	k Registration	
Advertising		500.00
Association dues		20.00
Election Supplies	s	750.00
Mileage		150.00
Office Equipmer	nt & Supplies	800.00
Postage		700.00
Salaries		
	Ballot Clerk	1,300.00
	Deputy Town Clerk	3,250.00

Town Clerk	3,000.00
Total Salaries	7,550.00
Telephone	550.00
Town Clerk Fees	12,000.00
Workshops & Seminars	560.00
Total 4140 · Election & Registration	23,580.00
4141 · Checklist Supervisors	
Advertising	200.00
Postage	75.00
Salaries	1,500.00
Supplies/mileage	350.00
Workshops & Seminars	300.00
Total 4141 · Checklist Supervisors	2,425.00
4150 · Financial Administration	
Advertising	
Association dues	20.00
Auditors	5,000.00
Bank Service Charges	400.00
Financial/banking supplies	400.00
Mileage	150.00
Office Equipment & Supplies	500.00
Postage	2,500.00
Registry of Deeds	750.00
Salaries	
Deputy Tax Collector	3,250.00
Deputy Treasurer	725.00
Tax Collector	3,000.00
Treasurer	1,717.00
Total Salaries	8,692.00

Software Support	1,800.00
Tax Collectors Fees	7,500.00
Telephone	550.00
Workshops & Seminars	560.00
Total 4150 · Financial Administration	28,822.00
4151 · Budget Committee	
Advertising	85.00
Mileage	150.00
Workshops & Seminars	200.00
Total 4151 · Budget Committee	435.00
4152 · Assessing	
Equipment & Supplies	300.00
Mileage	150.00
Postage	400.00
Salaries	14,320.00
Software Support	2,100.00
Tax Map Maintenance	2,500.00
Workshops & Seminars	500.00
Total 4152 · Assessing	20,270.00
4153 · Legal	30,000.00
4155 · Payroll Expenses	
New Hampshire Retirement-Town	13,000.00
4155 · Payroll Expenses - Other	20,000.00
Total 4155 · Payroll Expenses	33,000.00
4191 · Planning & Zoning	
4191.1 · Planning Board	4,414.00
4191.2 · Enforcement Officer	10,500.00

4191.3 · Zoning Boar	d of Adjustment	2,555.00
4191.4 · Historical D	strict Commission	349.00
Total 4191 · Plannii	ng & Zoning	17,818.00
4194 · Government I	Buildings	
Building maintenanc	e/supplies/equipment	15,000.00
Electricity		12,000.00
Heating Fuel		12,000.00
Salaries		4,000.00
Sanitation		1,500.00
Total 4194 · Govern	ment Buildings	44,500.00
4195 · Cemeteries		4,000.00
4196 · Insurance Fee	S	
Employee Insurance		57,550.00
Primex/ UE & WC		8,000.00
Property Liability		15,500.00
Total 4196 · Insura	ice Fees	81,050.00
4197 · Advertising &	& Regional Dues	3,000.00
4210 · Police		
	Association Dues	20.00
	Equipment	1,000.00
	Fuel	6,000.00
	Postage	100.00
	Radar recertification	n 120.00
	Radio maintenance	500.00
	Salaries	
	Police Ch	<i>fief Salary</i> 52,000.00
	Police Of	ficer Salaries 6,000.00
	Police Se	rgeant Salary 47,000.00

	Secretary	5,000.00
	Total Salaries	110,000.00
	Supplies	1,000.00
	Telephone	1,200.00
	Training	250.00
	Uniforms & protective gear	1,500.00
	Vehicle Maintenance	2,000.00
Total 4210 · Police		123,690.00
4220 · Fire/Rescue D	Department	
	Disease Protection	1,000.00
	Fire Prevention	1,000.00
	Fuel	3,000.00
	General Expenses & Supplies	1,000.00
	Medical Supplies	1,200.00
	Medstar Contract	22,837.00
	Mileage	1,000.00
	Mutual Aid & Dues	5,500.00
	New Equipment Purchase	13,850.00
	Radio	2,500.00
	Secretary	4,500.00
	Telephone	1,875.00
	Training	8,500.00
	Truck & Equipment Maintenance	14,500.00
Total 4220 · Fire/Re	escue Department	82,262.00
4290 · Emergency/Fe	orest	
	Emergency Management	800.00
	Forest Fires	2,500.00
Total 4290 · Emergency/Forest		3,300.00

4312 · Highways & Streets

4312.3 · Road Maintenance

	Calcium Chloride	20,500.00
	Materials	37,000.00
	Road Maintenance Contractor	60,000.00
	Roadside Chipping	5,000.00
	Roadside Mowing	11,000.00
	Signs & Equipment	1,500.00
Total 4312.3 · Road	Maintenance	135,000.00
4312.5 · Winter Roa	ds	
	Contract Payment	188,000.00
	Materials	75,000.00
Total 4312.5 · Winte	er Roads	263,000.00
Total 4312 · Highw	ays & Streets	398,000.00
4316 · Street Light	ing	5,000.00
4323 · Solid Waste	Collection	
Certification/Traini	ng	300.00
Repairs & Maintena	ance	1,500.00
Salaries		40,200.00
Supplies		700.00
Telephone		550.00
Household Hazardo	us Waste Day	1,097.00
Total 4323 · Solid V	Waste Collection	44,347.00
4324 · Solid Waste	Disposal	
Waste Management	Containers	110,000.00
4324.05 · Tire/metal	/paper disposal	9,000.00
Total 4324 · Solid V	Waste Disposal	119,000.00

4325 · Solid Waste Clean Up

Landfill Monitoring	6,150.00
Total 4325 · Solid Waste Clean Up	6,150.00
4414 · Dog Officer	
Humane Society Fees	1,000.00
Salary	6,000.00
Supplies & Equipment	1,500.00
Total 4414 · Dog Officer	8,500.00
4415 · Health Agencies & Hospitals	
Agape Food Pantry	800.00
American Red Cross	400.00
Northern Human Services	716.00
Ossipee Children's Fund	750.00
Starting Point	500.00
Tri- County CAP	2,000.00
VNA	3,499.00
White Mountain Community Health Center	1,100.00
Total 4415 · Health Agencies & Hospitals	9,765.00
4442 · General Assistance	20,000.00
4445.2 · Meals on Wheels	3,000.00
4520 · Parks & Recreation	
Town of Ossipee	3,500.00
Total 4520 · Parks & Recreation	3,500.00
4550 · Library	
Other Expenses	12,200.00
Salaries	31,300.00
Total 4550 · Library	43,500.00
4583 · Patriotic Purposes	1,000.00

4611.2 · Conservation Commission	2,950.00
4619 · Town Forester	1,500.00
4711 · Debt Service	
4711.1 · Principal/Long Term Notes	29,000.00
4721 · Interest/Long Term Notes	2,610.00
4723 · TAN Interest	2,500.00
Total 4711 · Debt Service	34,110.00
Total Operating Budget	\$1,269,134.00

Discussion: James Skehan made a motion to reduce the Legal line from \$30,000.00 to \$20,000.00. Irene Riordan seconded the motion. Motion failed by majority voice vote. Timothy Murphy made a motion to increase the Cemeteries line from \$4,000.00 to \$7,000.00. Motion was seconded by Henry Spencer. Motion failed by majority voice vote. Timothy Murphy then made a motion to increase the Cemeteries line from \$4,000.00 to \$5,000.00, Motion was seconded by William Piekut. This motion carried by majority voice vote. Cathy Leeming made a motion to reduce the Dog Officer salary line from \$6,000.00 to -0-. Motion was seconded by Emelyn Albert. Motion failed by majority voice vote. Alton Leeming made a motion to increase the appropriation for Agape Ministries from \$800.00 to \$1,200.00. The motion was seconded by Eric Potter. Motion failed by majority voice vote. Irene Riordan asked why the increase in the Library salary line. Ms. Marilyn O'Kelly, the Librarian explained that she had requested 4 hours of administrative time outside of the open library hours. Irene Riordan made a motion to reduce the amount of hours requested from 4 hours to 2 hours resulting in a decrease in the Library salary line by \$1,175.50. The motion was seconded by Maureen Spencer. Motion defeated by majority voice vote.

Motion made by Frank Keville, seconded by James Skehan to restrict reconsideration of Articles 24 through 26. Motion passed on unanimous voice vote.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Eight Hundred Fifteen Dollars (\$15,815.00) to purchase a defibrillator for the Effingham Fire/Rescue Department's Ambulance/Rescue Unit and to authorize the withdrawal of Fifteen Thousand Eight Hundred Fifteen Dollars (\$15,815.00) from the Rescue Vehicle and Equipment

Capital Reserve Fund, created for that purpose. This is a special warrant article. This requires a majority vote. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.

Moved by William Piekut, seconded by John Meisner. This appropriation passed on unanimous voice vote.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish and amend license and permit fees provided under RSA 41:9a. This authorization will remain in effect until rescinded by a vote of the legislative body. RSA 41:9-a states "Such fees or charges shall not exceed, in the case of licenses or permit, an amount reasonably calculated to cover the town's regulatory, administrative and enforcement costs." This requires a majority vote. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this article.

Moved by William Piekut, seconded by John Meisner. Article passed by unanimous voice vote.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to withdraw from the General Government Building Expendable Trust Fund a sum not to exceed \$2500 to repair and alter the existing double inside doors (including panic bars) in the lobby of the Library Building (old Town Hall) to comply with the existing New Hampshire Fire Codes. All work must be completed by June 30, 2008. This is petitioned by Irene Riordan and others. The Selectmen and the Budget Committee do not recommend this appropriation.

Moved by Irene Riordan, seconded by Henry Spencer. Motion was made by Irene Riordan, seconded by Henry Spencer to amend the article to read: . . . existing double inside doors in the lobby . . . deleting the part "(including panic bars)". The motion passed on a majority voice vote. Following a lengthy discussion, the article passed on a hand vote of 31 to 20.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of its agents and auditors.

Moved by John Meisner, seconded by Timothy Eldridge. Article passed on unanimous voice vote.

Article 31. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Discussion: Gwen English suggested that we make donations to Alton Leeming for Agape Ministries food pantry. Motion made by Irene Riordan, seconded by David Manley to restrict reconsideration of Articles 27 through 30. Motion passed on unanimous voice vote. Henry Spencer asked everyone to sign up for a library card as the Library is trying to receive a \$25,000 grant. Deborah Keville announced the Celebrate Effingham schedule for 2008.

The 2008 Effingham Town Meeting was adjourned by unanimous voice vote at 1:15 PM.

The following town officials were sworn-in by Town Clerk Marilynn Maughan following the adjournment of the 2008 Effingham Town Meeting:

Susan Slack, Moderator Timothy Eldridge, Selectman, three year term Deanna Amaral, Library Trustee, three year term J. Michael Cauble, Library Trustee, three year term Rebecca Harrington, Supervisor of the Checklist, 6 year term Michael Pilkovsky, Budget Committee Member, 3 year term Paul Bartoswicz, Budget Committee Member, 3 year term Frank Keville, Budget Committee Member, 2 year term N. Eric Potter, Cemetery Trustee, 1 year term David Manley, Cemetery Trustee, 1 year term

The minutes of the 2008 Town Meeting are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilynn L. Maughan Town Clerk