

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
TOWN OF ACTON  
November 13, 2014  
7:00pm**

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**1. APPROVAL OF Agenda:** On a motion from Bill Shields and second from Ed Walsh, the agenda was approved as written.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:** On a motion from Bill Shields and second from Ed Walsh, the minutes of the October 23, 2014 meeting were approved as written.

**3. OLD BUSINESS:**

a. Holiday Schedule- Town Hall will be closed November 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> for the Thanksgiving Holiday. The Town Hall and Transfer Station will be closed December 24<sup>th</sup>. The Town Hall will be closed December 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> and the January 1<sup>st</sup>.

b. Fire / Rescue Merger- Ed reported that he has met twice now with the Fire Department and Acton Ambulance Association to discuss the possible merger of the Rescue with the Fire Department. They have discussed budgets, done manpower studies and reviewed the study done in 2008-2009 by the independent consultant. They hope to have things ready to put to the voters at the annual Town Meeting in June of 2015. A public hearing will be held to discuss this possible merger on December 11<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at the Acton Town Hall following the Public Hearing for a Liquor License for a local business. All interested parties are encouraged to attend this public hearing to hear the visions that the Fire and Rescue have for the department and what type of budget this may entail. Ed expressed that this will be a cost to the Town, but the merger would increase the service that the Rescue is able to provide the Town's people.

**3. NEW BUSINESS:**

a. Board of Assessment Review Appointment- On a motion from Bill Shields and second from Ed Walsh; Daniel Archambault was appointed to the Board of Assessment Review Committee for a term ending June 30, 2017.

b. Zoning Board Appointment- On a motion from Bill Shields and second from Ed Walsh; Robert Anderson was appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals Committee for a term ending June 30, 2017.

c. Updated Town Hall Policy- Ted presented the changes to the existing policy which include The following changes:

*2) The maximum capacity of the hall is 98 people. The Selectmen reserve the right to set additional limits on the maximum number of persons at any particular event.*

*14) Anyone leaving the facilities in unsatisfactory condition will be billed for repairs and clean up. Facility users shall be solely responsible for any damage or injury to persons or property, including any damage to the Town's property, arising out of the event.*

*Fees) The rental fee for private use of the hall by Town residents or Town property owners is \$50.00 per event. The rental fee for use by other organizations or individuals is \$100.00 per event. In addition, all users are charged a security deposit of \$50.00 per event. Checks should be made payable to the Town of Acton, ME. The un-cashed check or cash will be refunded upon satisfactory inspection of the facility and return of door key to the Office Manager. Fees are payable at the time the reservation is made. The Board of Selectmen reserves the right to waive fees for non-profit organization's events. Notwithstanding the foregoing, The Board of Selectmen reserves the right to waive fees for non-profit organizations providing services to the community.*

On a motion from Bill Shields and a second from Ed Walsh, the policy was adopted effective January 1, 2015.

**4. OTHER BUSINESS:**

**6. ANNOUCEMENTS:**

- a. Christmas Tree Lighting and Dinner with Santa- to be held from 5pm-8pm on December 6, 2014.
- b. Neighbors Helping Neighbors- A reminder of the new fund for emergency assistance for those who do not qualify for State/Local assistance. Fund is by donation.
- c. No B.O.S. Meeting November 27<sup>th</sup>- Thanksgiving Holiday

**7. MEMBERS PRESENT:** Theodore Kryzak, William Shields, Edward Walsh

**8. ADJOURNMENT:** 7:10pm

**9. OTHERS PRESENT:** Michelle Rumney, Eric Dawalga