



**BOARD OF SELECTMEN/BOARD OF ASSESSORS
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
June 30, 2015
6:30 p.m.**

I. ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Call to Order: 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Wright, Selectman Crichton, Selectman Ganiere, Selectman Pendergast

ABSENT: Selectman Plante

OTHERS PRESENT: Interim Town Manager Bruce Benway, Town Clerk Jo Anne Lepley

II. NEW BUSINESS

a. **Town Manager Appointment – Postponed until after the scheduled Executive Session**

b. **Special Event Permit**

This event has been taking place since 2001. All Town Departments required to sign the application have done so.

Motion: It was moved by Selectman Crichton and seconded by Selectman Ganiere to approve the Special Event Permit for the Tom Noble Enduro ATV ride.

The motion carried unanimously; 4 – 0

c. **Paving Program 2015 – 2016**

The Town Manager stated that this list was a suggested schedule of road repair and he was looking for direction/suggestions from the BOS as to whether this list was appropriate or whether there were needed changes.

After discussion on the current lack of a scheduled program of road maintenance and the suggestion of hiring an “independent” testing firm to ensure that the required specifications are being met, the consensus of the BOS was to leave the list as it was and go forward with putting out bids.

III. Executive Session

Motion: It was moved by Selectman Ganiere and seconded by Selectman Crichton to enter into Executive Session per MRSA Title 1 §405(6)(A) – Personnel

The motion carried unanimously; 4 – 0.

The BOS entered into Executive Session at 7:04 p.m.

The BOS resumed its regular meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Chairman Wright stated the process for selecting a new Town Manager had been long, but felt the BOS had done due their diligence. He felt Stephen Eldridge is the right choice for Berwick.

Motion: It was moved by Chairman Wright and seconded by Selectman Pendergast to accept the employment contract for Town Manager.

The motion carried unanimously; 4 – 0.

Motion: It was moved by Chairman Wright and seconded by Selectman Ganiere to appoint Stephen Eldridge Town Manager, Road Commissioner, Treasurer and Health Officer.

The motion carried unanimously; 4 – 0.

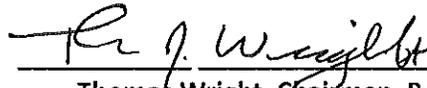
XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: It was moved by Selectman Crichton and seconded by Selectman Ganiere to adjourn.

The motion carried unanimously; 4 – 0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

**The June 30, 2015 BOS Special Meeting Minutes
Signed as approved at the Board's July 7, 2015 Meeting
On behalf of the Board**



Thomas Wright, Chairman, Berwick Board of Selectmen