

Town of Newington, NH
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 26, 2016 Town Hall

Jan Stuart called the meeting to order at 6:35pm.

Present: Rick Stern, Chair, Board of Selectmen; Cosmas Iocovozzi, Selectman; Jan Stuart, Selectman, Attorney Susan Geiger; Attorney John Ratigan, Attorney Beth Boepple, Planning Board Chair Denis Hebert, , John Frink, Lulu Pickering, Joe Calderola, Peggy Lamson, Town Administrator Martha Roy various abutters to the Eversource Transmission line and other members of the public.

J. Stuart turned the meeting over to D. Hebert who introduced the panel and asked Attorney S. Geiger to give the landowners an update on the status of the Eversource Transmission line discussions. The discussion focused on the Town's position regarding the Eversource transmission lines and whether they would be buried or be run above ground, construction of enhanced distribution lines as well as alternate routes. She explained that all alternate routes had been reviewed and deemed unattainable and/or not in the bests interest of the Town. She noted that the Town had extensively researched the possibility of the two Federal Wildlife refuge alternative routes. This had met with opposition from the authorities in charge of the refuge as well as political contacts made.

D. Hebert reviewed slides of the proposed route recommended by the Panel and the Selectmen. L. Pickering and J. Frink expressed concern with the route and proposed plan. J. Calderola thanked the Panel for all of their work on this project.

D. Hebert presented a slide showing the enhanced distribution system proposed by Eversource.

Adjournment: R. Stern adjourned the meeting at 8:17pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha S. Roy
Town Administrator