

EDGECOMB ORDINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE  
MINUTES, JANUARY 3, 2019

1. Call to Order

Chairman David Nutt called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. Members present were Rebecca Graham, Barry Hathorne, David Nutt and Skip White. Sue Carlson and alternate Barb Gibson were absent. Alternate David Boucher has resigned.

2. Public Input

Selectman Mike Smith inquired whether the Land Use Ordinance addressed the responsibility for runoff onto a town road, or whether it should address the issue. He requested that the state law be checked for information regarding the problem.

3. Approval of Minutes of October 18, 2018

Skip White moved to accept the minutes as written. Vote 4-0-0.

4. Discussion of marijuana recommendation to Selectmen

David Nutt asked that questions regarding marijuana be put on the early part of the warrant at the May Town Meeting to insure that the largest number of voters would still be present at that point in the meeting. The four separate questions would ask if the voter favored the retail sales, cultivation, testing and growing of marijuana in Edgcomb. There was a question regarding the ability to regulate cultivation of marijuana if the right to farm law overruled any town regulation. (see below).

If the town voted for any of the four questions, no action could be taken on the vote until the following year's Town Meeting or until ordinances regulating the sales, cultivation, testing and/or growing of marijuana were in place.

There were questions regarding the possible location of marijuana operations and whether they should be the same as those stipulated in the Adult Entertainment Ordinance and whether the Large-Scale Development section of the Land Use Site Plan Review ordinance would apply.

5. Other Business

David Nutt will not be able to attend the January 17<sup>th</sup> meeting, so that meeting will be cancelled. The next Ordinance Review Committee meeting will be on February 7, 2019.

6. Adjournment

Skip White moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m. Vote 4-0-0.

Note: **Agricultural Protection Act:** Among other things, Maine's "Right-to-Farm Law" protects farmers from neighbors' complaints about noise, odor or other aspects of their legitimate and properly-conducted agricultural operations. ([Title 7 MRSA, Chapter 6](#))