

**Town of Edgcomb Select Board**  
**AGENDA**  
**August 28, 2017 - 6:00pm**

**Attendees: Jack Sarmanian, Ted Hugger, Mike Smith, Katie Wurtzell, Maggie Connelly, Claudia Coffin**

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of Minutes
  - a. Minutes from 8-14-17 approved 2-0 (Jack not in attendance 8-14)
3. Warrants
  - a. General Warrant #5: \$64,601.80
    - i. General Expenses: \$8,749.09
    - ii. School Payroll: \$26,350.66
    - iii. School Payables: \$27,774.15
    - iv. School Payables: \$1,728.00
    - v. Jack made motion to approve, Mike seconded. Approved 3-0.
  - b. Road Reconstruction Warrant #404: \$35,829.09
    - i. Mike made motion to approve, Ted seconded. Approved 3-0.
4. Old Business
  - a. Foreclosed Properties
    - i. George Chase and Steve Rubican signed deed for purchase of Cross Road property. Two selectmen have signed, Jack will sign tomorrow at lawyers office which will make it an official deed.
    - ii. Certified letters were sent to three abutters of foreclosed properties on Rt 1. 30 day window closes Sept 3. To date there have been 2 notifications from abutters (Anne Hartford and Jeff Horning, a near abutter ~50ft). Selectmen decided that it was appropriate to allow a near abutter to participate in this process due to the specific situation. Jack mentioned that there are two other parties interested who are not abutters. \$4,200 is the minimum bid. Mike mentioned that there should be a closed bid process for property. Another certified letter will need to be sent out to third abutter as original letter did not make it. Response will need to be received by 9/22.
  - b. Mooring Fees
    - i. People have been inquiring about mooring renewal. Harbormaster and Waterfront Committee will be invited to upcoming selectboard meeting.
    - ii. Claudia suggests that fees should be based on calendar year and be tied to boat registration.
    - iii. Jack suggests the next few months will be exploratory period for waterfront committee to decide on best way to handle this.
  - c. Abatements - Claudia Coffin
    - i. Abatement of \$248.40 for Arthur and Crystal Cyr for the 2017 tax year. Approved 3-0 and signed by selectmen.
    - ii. Abatement of \$28.69 for Time Payment Corporation for the 2017 tax year. Mike made motion to approve and Jack seconded. Approved 3-0 and signed by selectmen.
    - iii. Abatement of \$318.72 for Ann and Robert Zak for the 2017 tax year. Mike made motion to approve and Jack seconded. Approved 3-0 and signed by selectmen.

- d. Stephenson Property
  - i. Mike made motion to submit to Stephenson Marine Trust and Timothy Stephenson a supplemental assessment of \$13,591.40. Ted seconded. Approved 3-0. Signed by selectmen.
- 5. New Business
  - a. Eddy Road Situation
    - i. Maggie Connelley, resident of West Boothbay Harbor, came to speak about Eddy Rd. She experienced a near miss of a disastrous collision with a large tractor trailer speeding around the corner.
    - ii. Maggie suggests that large trucks should be prohibited from this curve, or at the very least signage be added warning about curve.
    - iii. Maggie spoke with DOT and they said request must come from Selectboard to do a study.
    - iv. Mike made motion that Selectboard sends a letter to David Allen, region 2 traffic engineer for a traffic study on Eddy Rd. Ted seconded. Approved 3-0.
  - b. Seasonal Water Issue - Fort Rd
    - i. Jack brought up that recently a Fort Rd resident have had trouble with their wells drying up. Jack would like to explore the option of tying Fort road into Wiscasset Water District to look into state rules on this issue either temporarily or permanently. Jack has contacted Chris Cossett of the Wiscasset Water District and will bring information back to the Selectboard meeting.
  - c. Town Hall has been painted and washed.
  - d. Scott Griffin has been contacted about some tree issues around roads and is getting quotes on removal.
  - e. Jack has been invited in to the Lincoln County Commissioners to be on the assessment committee. First meeting is 9/15. They will explore and advise on the county budget.
  - f. New principal has started at school. Mike would like to host a meet and greet of principal either before or after a Selectmens meeting so non-school related people can meet him.
  - g. Mike brought up that there is a deadline for submission of ideas of projects Edgecomb would like the MDOT to be involved with. Mike mentioned there has been interest in developing the MDOT lot.
  - h. Ted brought up that the town received a check from \$1,494 from Maine Municipal Assoc. for a dividend.
  - i. Ted brought up that the Joint Economic Development Committee is doing an assessment on how to develop and expand business and tax-bases on peninsula (Boothbay, Boothbay Harbor, Southport, Edgecomb). An assessment is taking place on what is special and unique about Edgecomb. A presentation will be made to group. Jack mentioned that this is important as all traffic flows through Edgecomb and increased traffic will impact Rt 27. It is important for Edgecomb to have a sense of what we want for the future.
    - i. George Chase brought up that we should also look into partnering with Newcastle on some of these issues.
    - ii. Mike mentioned that we need to stand up for Edgecomb in regards to the Wiscasset traffic situation as half of the traffic is in Edgecomb. Perhaps not expressing concern and being quiet has led to being overlooked.
    - iii. Edgecomb comprehensive plan states that people like Edgecomb the way it is and the Selectboard need to protect that.

6. Stan Waltz, CEO
  - a. 40 Middle Rd.
    - i. Address and owner has switched multiple times. Stan has letter to send to this address.
  - b. 127 McKay Rd.
    - i. Stan visited and did not find tenant. Out front of house has considerable trash, debris, etc.
    - ii. Jack ordered Stan to move forward on this issue.
  - c. Gorilla on Rt 1
    - i. Owner of fireworks store would like to come to Selectboard meeting.
    - ii. Owner said gorilla is not a sign, Stan agreed but then noticed there is an advertisement on gorilla, therefore making it a sign.
    - iii. Stan will invite owner to next meeting, 9/11.
  - d. 227 Middle Rd.
    - i. Owner has vacated property and building is becoming dilapidated. Stan will monitor situation.
  - e. Blueberry selling on rt 1
    - i. Stan will follow up on this issue.
7. Public Comment
  - a. A resident mentioned that Eddy Rd is also particularly precarious in the Winter. Also, that traffic on Rt 1 is worse than years past, likely due to traffic light in Wiscasset. This is causing more people to take Eddy Rd.
8. Adjourn - 7:32pm