

Town of Edgecomb Select Board
Minutes
October 10th, 2017 - 6:00pm

Attendees: Mike Smith, Ted Hugger, Katie Wurtzell (recording secretary), Reverend Azut, Claudia Coffin, Roy Potter

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Ted made motion to approve minutes as submitted. Mike seconded. Approved 2-0.
3. Public Hearing: Ernest Martin, MDOT, Update on Rt 1 / Rt 27 intersection
 - a. Selectboard went into recess at 6:05pm
 - b. Public Hearing notes
 - i. Protected left will allow cars from Rt 27 to only have to worry about one direction of traffic at a time. There will be an alternate merge onto Rt 1.
 - ii. Overhead flashing light will be added at Cross Rd intersection as well as dedicated turn lanes
 - iii. Signage will be added to Cross Rd to alert of left turn when coming from Damariscotta. There will also be a turning lane in this location
 - iv. Schedule
 1. Has been pushed up on priority list due to work in Wiscasset for 2019
 - v. Question from public - What if someone coming from Damariscotta and wanted to go to information center on Rt 27 location. Ernest replied that he did not realize building was in use and they will look into that.
 - vi. Question from public - What about Englebrekt Rd? Difficult turn as is. Ernest said there may be a speed limit reduction. They are also still looking into length of merging lane. You will still be able to make a left out Englebrekt Rd.
 - vii. There will be no impact on Cahill Tire
 - viii. Question from Ted Hugger, Selectmen - Does this plan require taking any property from abutters? Ernest responded there is no plan to do so currently.
 - ix. Question from Roy Potter, Fire Chief - What about emergency response during traffic back up? Ernest responded that curve is mountable and should not be an issue.
 - x. Question from Mike Smith, Selectmen - What about lighting at Cross Rd intersection? Ernest responded that they are looking into it and depends on utility pole placement.
 - xi. Final public hearing will be in a few months.
 - c. Selectboard recess ended 6:27, Selectboard back in session.
4. Financials
 - a. Update from Treasurer
5. Old Business
 - a. Reverend Azut, Pastor Barters Island Baptist Church, Bible Study at Town Hall
 - i. Proof of insurance was given to selectboard
 - ii. Reverend Azut will lead informal bible study at town hall for six consecutive Wednesday nights, 6:30 - 8:00pm (10/25, 11/1, 11/8, 11/15, 11/22, 11/29)
 - iii. Reverend Azut agreed to fee of \$50 per session, with a \$100 deposit this evening

- iv. Reverend Azut asked if it was possible to put sandwich board outside advertising
 - v. Ted made motion to agree to rent facility to Barters Island Baptist Church, Mike seconded motion. Approved 2-0.
 - b. Business from Claudia
 - i. Selectmen signed deed for foreclosed property on Rt 1 to Jeff Hoening .
 - ii. Claudia Coffin appointed as warden for 11/7/17 referendum. Mike made motion to approve, Ted seconded. Approved 2-0.
 - c. Recap school committee meet and greet
 - i. Selectment went to school last week. They had a positive experience and are excited about the energy there. Ted mentioned they have seen some growth in attendance at the school, including 12 tuition students.
 - d. Lallis property survey update
 - i. Report seems to be overdue.
 - e. Recap web committee meeting
 - i. Web committee decided to continue using Town Web Design as web host.
 - ii. Website now includes businesses.
- 6. New Business
 - a. Roy Potter, Fire Chief
 - i. Roy thanked Selectboard for coming to plaque dedication.
 - ii. Fire department is setting up fundraiser to raise \$30,000 for extrication tools. Fire department asked selectboard to be able to use town bulk rate for mailing letter.
 - iii. Mike made motion to allow use of the bulk rate for mailing for fundraiser, Ted seconded. Approved 2-0.
 - iv. Roy raised concerns for newly sold foreclosed property on rt 1 - will trailer be taken down? There are potential safety issues. Mike will contact Stan Waltz (Code Enforcement Officer) about this to see if there are structural / safety concerns.
 - b. Upcoming Budget season
 - i. There will be conversations with budget committee to confirm all members are returning. Conversations about budget will begin in November.
 - ii. A selectmen will get in touch with current members to determine if they are returning.
 - iii. School department will be first topic of discussion
 - c. Ted Hugger, Selectmen
 - i. On September 28, Ted Hugger was invited to attend a seminar reviewing legislature that has impact on communities such as Edgecomb. There were suggestions on how town might want to move forward with planning. Ted will pass booklet to other selectmen and then to planning board.
- 7. Warrants
 - a. General Warrant #8
 - i. General Expenses: \$303,328.02
 - ii. School Payables: \$6,582.72
 - iii. School Payables: \$325,440.16
 - iv. School Payroll: \$30,607.47
 - v. Total: \$665,958.37
 - vi. Mike made motion for approval, Ted seconded. Approved 2-0.

- b. Road Reconstruction Warrant #407
 - i. Total: \$11,014.99
 - ii. Ted made motion to accept, Mike seconded. Approved 2-0
- c. TIF Warrant #1
 - i. Total: \$31,663.80
 - ii. Ted made motion to accept, Mike seconded. Approved 2-0.
- d. Wastewater Warrant #104
 - i. Total: \$2,680.00
 - ii. Ted made motion to accept, Mike seconded. Approved 2-0.
- 8. Public Comment
 - a. Question from public - Will a light be installed to light up plaque at fire station? Mike responded that they did not know plaque would be outside. Mike will pass comment on to fire department.
- 9. Adjourn - 7:06pm