

Town of Edgecomb Select Board
Minutes
June 18, 2018; 6:00pm

Attendees: Jack Sarmanian, Mike Smith, Ted Hugger, Katie Wurtzell (recording secretary), Josh Zehm, Nancy Carleton (real estate agent), Claudia Coffin (town clerk), Warren Waltz (CLC Ambulance)

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Minutes from June 4, 2018 - Approved 3-0.
3. Old Business
 - a. Foreclosed Property Request
 - i. Josh Zehm
 1. Foreclosed on property and now it is being offered back to previous owner. Back three payments are owed 2015-2018, total \$2325 plus fee for transfer of deed. Property will be returned to Josh Zehm.
 - b. Lallis Property - Nancy Carleton, William Raveis Real Estate
 - i. A comparable property sold on McKay Rd for \$24,000. Nancy prepared a synopsis of comparable properties. A lot on Quarry Farm sold for \$55k and included deep water access. Potential price is between \$23 and \$32k, starting suggested listing price is \$29k.
 - ii. Mike mentioned that he would like to discuss with the conservation committee and schmid preserve committee about the property in order to get something other than a single family home built on land.
 - iii. Nancy estimated that land would sell by September - October. Nancy charges 8% commission and a transfer tax (split between buyer and seller).
 - iv. Nancy commented that there is a good real estate market currently, though Lincoln County is slower than Sagadahoc which is slower than Cumberland County. She mentioned that is it one of the best years than Maine has seen in years.
 - v. Claudia brought up that any real estate fees likely need to be voted on at special town meeting.
 - c. Ambulance Service
 - i. New information from Warren Waltz with a formal offer from CLC Ambulance for a 5 year contract at \$17,000 per year.
 - ii. Jack asked if there could be a monthly report, Warren said that that would be possible either in person or written. The report would summarize the calls, etc. Jack mentioned that a written report would be acceptable as well as a yearly meeting appearance.
 - iii. Ted remarked that CLC has a high level of professionalism and timeliness. He also restated that Chief Potter had high praise for CLC Ambulance.
 - iv. Warren stated that July 1st would be an appropriate start date for the contract.
 - v. Ted made a motion to vote to enter a contract with Central Lincoln County ambulance service for 5 years at \$17,000 per year, with an annual review. Approved 3-0.
 - vi. Public Comment: 120 people have entered subscription service with Wiscasset Ambulance Service - what will happen to those people? Subscription service is

calendar year. Mike stated that this would have to be worked out with Wiscasset Ambulance Service and the individuals.

- vii. Jack remarked that Selectboard has been discussing this for almost 5 months and there has been less than satisfactory feedback about the current service. Fire department is looking forward to switching ambulance services.
- viii. In terms of payment, Claudia reminded board that there is cash-flow to consider. Warren suggested 50% payment by December and other 50% by June.
- ix. Warren presented paperwork to the board (Emergency Service Zone Designation Form) in order to switch 911 redirect calls.
- x. Selectboard will draft letter to Wiscasset Ambulance Service.

4. New Business

- a. CEO, Ken Vinal
 - i. Ken will be out for several weeks due to illness. A temporary replacement will be presented soon.
- b. John Pottle (Eaton Peabody) has been selected as lawyer for TIF reevaluation to pay for fire truck. He will come to 7/16 meeting.
- c. Presentation from Lincoln Health on October 22nd 2018 (30 minutes).
- d. MMA Insurance, Property & Casualty Pool Renewal Application
 - i. Has been submitted
- e. MMA Employer's Legal Assist Program
 - i. New service offered by MMA: Computer program that is built to help with employment related questions and can give recommendations. Current town fees cover the program and would be available to any town employer.
 - ii. Ted will register the town on the site to make it available to the town.
- f. July 2nd - Health Officer needs to be reappointed; Harbor Master needs to be appointed
- g. July 2nd - Discussion of renewal of Road Commissioner contract
- h. July 2nd - Start process of new town hall roof.
- i. Fiberright - way behind schedule. Board will invite Steve Lewis (Boothbay Refuse) to upcoming meeting to determine what another plan is. Is town sending garbage to landfill?
- j. Need for a janitor to clean Town Hall. Becky Smith has put her name forward (Mike Smith withdrew from conversation). Ted remarked that it is very difficult to find housekeeping help. Ted will follow up with Becky Smith about the possibility.

5. Fire Department

- a. Bill Witzell, EMA
 - i. Bill mentioned that the EMA Laptop has been limping along and is now not working enough to continue to use. Bill needs a new laptop (\$1,000). Bill would like to be able to roll excess from this year into next year, so that he can purchase laptop immediately for FEMA meeting upcoming. Current balance in EMA account is \$629, upcoming year's budget is \$700. At the time of the audit selectboard will have to vote to carry budget forward. Bill asked if he can go purchase laptop now but wait until after July 1 to submit reimbursement.
 - ii. Mike made a motion to allow the EMA Director to purchase laptop with a top purchase fee of \$1,050 in the new fiscal year. Ted seconded. Approved 3-0.
 - iii. Mike thanked those who responded to Parsons Point incident and acknowledged how difficult that must have been.

6. Warrants

- a. General Warrant #26

- i. School Payables \$91,749.86
 - ii. School Payroll \$31,668, 68
 - iii. General Expenses \$42,244.30
 - iv. Total:\$168,662.84
 - v. Mike made a motion for warrant to be approved, Jack seconded. Approved 3-0.
 - b. Wastewater Warrant #113: \$5,000
 - i. Mike made motion for warrant to be approved, Jack seconded. Approved 3-0.
 - c. TIF Warrant #204: \$3,388.77
 - i. Mike made motion for warrant to be approved, Jack seconded. Approved 3-0.0
- 7. Public Comment
- 8. Adjourn: 7:15pm