

Town of Edgecomb Select Board
Minutes
September 24 2018; 6:00pm

Attendees: Jack Sarmanian, Mike Smith, Ted Hugger, Katie Wurtzell (recording secretary), Dave Boucher (Edgecomb Historical Society), Jack Brennan

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Sept 10, 2018 - Approved 3-0.
3. Old Business
 - a. Lallis Property
 - i. No responses were obtained from abutters about purchasing property
 - ii. Question from Kenneth Laub was why they are only selling a 3 acre lot and not the larger property as a whole. Jack answered that the previous board decided that most of the property is not usable and would be best served to be used by the Schmid Committee.
 - iii. Selectboard is postponing decision on land for two weeks.
 - b. Town Hall Roof
 - i. Mike has been pursuing conversations with selected roofing company. Mike has requested start up invoice early so that it can be processed previous to work starting.
4. New Business
 - a. Edgecomb Historical Society, Dave Boucher
 - i. Edgecomb Historical Society is in the process of looking for a permanent home and creation of a living history site for all to enjoy. Blacksmith shop, antique equipment, etc will be housed there.
 - ii. The Historical Society has selected a piece of land near Town Hall that would be ideal.
 - iii. Selectboard believe there needs to be a lease as the Historical Society is technical a non-profit.
 - iv. Funding is in the making, but once the site has been selected both grant writing and fund raising efforts will be increased.
 - v. Land is about 4 acres; buildable land is 1 acre. Dave believes four buildings and parking would work in this situation.
 - vi. Cost estimates for entire project have not been determined. Timeline Dave envisions - approximately 4 years to build the Smithy.
 - vii. This would likely need to be approved at Edgecomb Town Meeting.
 - viii. Selectboard will talk to MMA to discuss potential next steps.
 - b. Nominations to the Schmid Advisory Committee
 - i. 3 year terms - Until June 30, 2021
 - ii. David Nutt, Jr. as representative: Approved 3-0
 - iii. Robert F. Leone as representative: Approved 3-0
 - c. Maine DOT
 - i. Public hearing on Rt 27 / Rt 1 intersection October 22nd 6-8pm
 - d. Annie Colby Chase Scholarship Fund

- i. Restarting educational scholarship for (8th graders formerly), now will be awarded to 6th graders (Edgecomb school policies have changed). Stipulation is that student needs to be an Edgecomb resident.
 - e. Sign up Saturday
 - i. Will hopefully have committee goals and attendees and have a chowder night! Post-holidays.
 - f. Workers Compensation Fund
 - i. Renewal time. Ted and Claudia will be working on this.
 - g. Charlie Brown Christmas Tree Decorating Competition
 - i. New folks need to be recruited to help but the plan is that it will be on. Lights and extension cords can carry forward to this year.
 - h. TIF / Special Town Meeting
 - i. There will need to be a special meeting for TIF approval that need to be approved by townspeople. This meeting will be held after the election. TIF amendment will need to be written before exact amounts can be specified.
 - i. Letter from William Brewer, CPA
 - i. Audit began Sept 7, 2018 and will continue for several months until it is completed.
 - j. Budget Committee - Jack Brennan
 - i. Initial meeting may be held in October. Jack also mentioned that it was important last year to have a meeting that all department heads attended.
 - ii. Claudia asked if the budget committee has been appointed - these are 1 year terms.
 - iii. Jack Brennan requests that Selectboard appoints budget committee next meeting.
 - k. Humane Society
 - i. Discussion of per capita rate increase from \$1 to \$1.15 next year, then \$1.15 to \$1.30 the following year. This will be shared with the budget committee and ask for a recommendation.
 - l. Jehovah's Witness Rental
 - i. Rental will be extended one week - Wednesday, Thursday, Friday for a short morning meeting and afternoon meeting, and a evening service on Friday. Last week of October. Saturday service will be shifted to the afternoon. Claudia will communicate with them.
- 5. Fire Department
 - a. Fire Department have asked Selectboard to reach out to people who own Lily Pond camps if they would be OK with some tree trimming to help aid arrival of Life Flight helicopters.
- 6. Warrants
 - a. General Warrant #7
 - i. School Payroll: \$35,221.64
 - ii. School Payables: \$9,924.31
 - iii. General Expenses: \$9,626.09
 - iv. Total \$54,772.04
 - v. Approved 3-0.
 - b. Road Reconstruction Warrant #402
 - i. Total: \$17,429.59
 - ii. Approved 3-0

7. Public Comment

- a. Jack Brennan mentioned that it is time for a projector / screen / AV improvements to help aid in presentations. Mike suggested that board explore if school may have any old equipment. Janet commented that we need new members on web committee who are more in tune with what's going on in the town and technology.

8. Adjourn - 6:56pm