

**Town of Edgcomb Select Board**  
**Minutes**  
**December 17, 2018; 6:00pm**

**Attendees: Jack Sarmanian, Mike Smith, Ted Hugger, Barry Hathorne, Rebecca Graham, Janet Blevins,**  
**transcribed via audio by Katie Wurtzell (recording secretary)**

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of Minutes
3. TIF, Attorney John Pottle
  - a. TIF is unlikely to terminate before the 30 year time period is met. John suggested making sure that the TIF cannot be ended early. The only reason why you would not want it to end is if there are not enough projects for the TIF revenue to be spent, and if the town would prefer it go to the general fund.
  - b. Town is getting more TIF revenue than initially projected.
  - c. TIF revenue needs to be spent on TIF projects.
  - d. There needs to be a public hearing to change what money will be spent on.
  - e. There are some community wide TIF eligible costs, such as economic initiatives or programs, which can be anywhere throughout the town. Example: Business Expo to attract commercial activities, would qualify (marketing the town)
  - f. Equipment would be prorated based on the amount of time equipment might be used in the TIF. No exact formula for determining prorated ratio, but you do your best to determine this factor.
  - g. John mentioned funding for child care businesses could be included, but training for fire departments likely cannot be.
  - h. Jack will be the point person to work with John to continue to move thing forward. Goal of having final draft by next meeting Jan 2 2019.
  - i. Roy asked what equipment can be considered part of TIF? Can a capital improvement to a public safety building be included on a non-prorated system? They do not need to be pro-rated.
4. Results of marijuana survey, Planning Board, Barry Hathorne, Rebecca Graham
  - a. Medicinal marijuana storefront licenses were available 12/13/2018, retail becomes available in June, though there is currently no process for applying for a retail license through the state.
  - b. Rebecca presented packet from conference in Augusta. There is no revenue sharing so all of the regulatory compliance falls to the town. Currently revenue sharing is only to law enforcement for town / county police department.
  - c. The state does not have regulations in place currently.
  - d. Ordinance Review Committee will react to state guidelines as they become available. Work could be done pre-emptively, but Rebecca suggested best plan is to watch what other towns are doing and wait until state makes decision.
  - e. Barry said at a minimum there should be a vote at the town meeting this year about if town residents want to allow growing, retail, or testing. Hopefully by town meeting there will be more info if revenue sharing will be expanded.
5. Old Business
  - a. Broadband Survey - how to determine survey sample? Janet Blevins

- i. Digital Surveys will automatically go towards person in charge of counting results
    - ii. Printed surveys accidentally do not have return address. Only one printed survey has been received to date.
    - iii. How do we make sure we get enough surveys out? Would be a great use of email list of LED sign at fire dept. Ted suggested sending a postcard. Copies of both residential and business surveys on the bulletin board and links are on website.
    - iv. Sending out postcard would be ~\$500 in postage. Ideally there would be at least 50 responses from town residents and 8-10 businesses
  - b. Town Hall roof progress
    - i. Roof is complete, but not everything is cleaned up (nails, large piece of trim is gone). Mike made a motion to withhold \$1000 until work is complete. Approved 3-0.
  - c. Lallis Property
    - i. No bids have been received. At next meeting discussion will be held about moving to a realtor. Ads with farther afield papers are prohibitively expensive.
- 6. New Business
  - a. Jack will contact David Sawyer about what upgrades need to happen in town hall basement (furnace, etc).
  - b. Mike would like to move forward with plans to engineer ramp for town hall entrance
  - c. Mike went to school meeting last week. 93 students (11 are tuition paying, out of town) (3 of those are pre-k).
  - d. Mike nominated Roland Abbot to be the assistant EMA director. Approved 3-0.
  - e. Mike nominated Curt Crosby to be the Edgecomb representative to the Boothbay Refuse District (3 year term). Approved 3-0.
  - f. Mike nominated Claudia Coffin to be the registrar of voters, 3 year term. Approved 3-0.
  - g. Charlie Brown Christmas Tree celebration was a raging success! Committee will become the Edgecomb Community Association (ECA) - an official committee allowing them to accept town funds, etc.
- 7. Fire Department
- 8. Warrants
  - a. General Warrant #13 - \$130,851.75
    - i. Approved 3-0
  - b. Wastewater Warrant #106 - \$1,952.49
    - i. Approved 3-0
- 9. Public Comment
- 10. Adjourn 7:44pm