

**Town of Edgcomb Select Board**  
**Minutes**  
**May 6 2019; 6:00pm**

**Attendees:** Jack Sarmanian, Mike Smith, Ted Hugger, Katie Wurtzell (recording secretary), Luther Yonce (MDOT), Rob Betz (MDOT), Claudia Coffin, Ken Vinal (CEO), Roy Potter (fire chief)

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of Minutes
  - a. Minutes from 4/22/2019 - Approved 3-0.
3. MDOT, Luther Yonce & Rob Betz - Eddy Rd
  - a. Retaining wall removal project. MDOT is fully on board with project. However, unfortunately removal of the wall is highly impactful to surrounding property owners. There have been some concerns with the house behind the retaining walls and there is some risk there. This would have to be accounted for in the cost. Property owner has refused to sign document that would release state and contractor from liability if something were to happen to house during construction. State is actively pressing forward with other options.
  - b. Eddy road has an easement right of way. In this case the house is up against the easement right of way. According to the law, a person is not allowed to build within the full width of the right of way or within 33 feet within the centerline. However this does not apply to structures in place in 1949 or before. The house was likely there in 1949 and therefore is exempt from laws.
  - c. MDOT needs to understand their liability before moving forward. MDOT would like to return to Mr. Curtis and request his permission for access to the house to better determine condition of structure. MDOT is suspicious contractors will raise their bids based on assumed liability. If they can get approval from Mr. Curtis, MDOT would like to get an independent 3rd party, likely Edgcomb CEO to join in on the inspection session.
  - d. If response is not received from property owners then it is possible project will not move forward. This is a unique situation. The rest of the project (ledge removal, guard rails) is still moving forward and may be packaged with the rt 1 intersection project.
  - e. In a week or two there should be more information.
  - f. Topic will be tabled until MDOT contacts selectboard again.
4. Warrant Signatures
  - a. Warrants for town meeting were signed by the selectmen.
5. Coastal Waters Ordinance
  - a. Signed by the selectmen.
6. ASK Agreement for \$2000
  - a. From Lincoln County Regional Planning Commission - a grant to design and print brochures to be distributed around area promoting Edgcomb.
7. Engineering for Front Entrance
  - a. Initial drawings received from Engineering Firm. Plan will be held until the current ramp needs to be replaced. New ramp will be fully ADA complaint. Total cost \$2,500.
8. Old Business
9. New Business
  - a. Code Enforcement Officer, Ken Vinal

- i. All is going well on the Code Enforcement Front. Ongoing permits from a busy last year. No big issues in town. Ken will have conversation with firework store - gorilla is OK but no banners.
  - b. Broadband Survey
    - i. Janet Blevins put together broadband survey.
  - c. Job descriptions - recording secretary may be combined with town hall cleaner. Will be published in the paper.
  - d. Town report - Mike will be picking up town reports Tuesday 5/7/19.
  - e. Flags at town hall - May 25 - Edgecomb Eddy will be coming to town hall to help put up flags and have lunch.
  - f. 2nd Amendment to the TIF approved as presented.
- 10. Fire Department, Roy Potter, Fire Chief
  - a. Scheduling Conflict – Final burn training for 4 people occurring the same day as Town Meeting in Belfast. TBD if Roy will be able to make it to town meeting or not.
  - b. New Truck - training ongoing. Tools are still being mounted. Truck is in service
  - c. Fire department is in the process of changing vendors for who is doing work on fire trucks. Department has saved a substantial amount of money by switching vendors when they tried a new one. Vendor is out of Monmouth.
  - d. Engine 3 failed the state inspection. It will cost more than the truck is worth to repair (approximately \$19,646 + \$1,619 for pump service). Roy believes they can find a used truck for the same cost which will last many more years. Truck was purchased in Dec 2010 and was purchased for \$250 though required an engine overhaul (\$15k). Because the truck cannot be used now, until replacement comes water capacity will be diminished as is 1,000 ft of hose. Roy says that realistically it makes more sense to find a replacement which will hopefully get 5-8 years out of it; Engine 3 has served it's usefulness - hard to stop the rust. Jack asked where the money will come from - Roy said that there may be some funds left in the truck fund though unclear how much. Fire department will continue to look into other trucks. The fire department has 2 trucks (mini pumper and rescue) that do have some value to sell (\$5k total).
- 11. Warrants
  - a. General Warrant #23
    - i. School Payroll: \$32,589.29
    - ii. School Payables: \$57,864.76
    - iii. General Expenses: \$12,919.13
    - iv. Total: \$103,373.18
    - v. Approved 3-0.
  - b. TIF Warrant #204
    - i. Total: \$8,000
    - ii. Approved 3-0.
  - c. Waste Water Warrant #111
    - i. Total \$6,944.00
- 12. Public Comment
- 13. Adjourn: 7:29pm