Town of Edgecomb Select Board Minutes August 12, 2019; 6:00 PM

Attendees:

Ted Hugger, Mike Smith – Select Board Members Barbara Brennan – Recording Secretary

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Approval of Minutes
 - Ted motion to accept; Mike second. Minutes Approved 2-0.
- 3. Vote on Nominations for Committees

The following Committee nominations were approved:

- Andy Abello Schmid Preserve Mgt. through 6/30/22 Mike motion to Approve; Ted second; Approved 2-0.
- Robert Leone Constable through 6/30/20 Mike motion to approve; Ted second; Approved 2-0.
- Elizabeth McSwain Schmid Preserve Mgt. through 6/30/22 Mike motion to approve; Ted second; Approved 2-0.
- Roy Potter Public Health Officer through 6/30/21 Mike motion to approve; Ted second; Approved 2-0.
- Ken Vinal Code Enforcement Officer through 6/30/20 Mike motion to approve; Ted second; Approved 2-0.
- William Witzell Emergency Management Dir. Through 6/30/20 Mike motion to approve; Ted second; Approved 2-0.

4. Old Business

5. New Business

- Ted announced an award of \$1,505 from MMA for keeping our Workman's Compensation costs low.
- Mike said work has begun on Cross Point Rd. The Road Commissioner feels some of the CP Road deterioration is due to excessive speed. He is looking into options to deter excessive speed on that road.
- Mike said the EES Playground Fundraiser held at Cook's Landing was a success, raising about \$2000. He commented that the next time there is a large event there, better parking control needs to be planned.
- Mike told us the Economic Development Committee has met to discuss the creation of a brochure promoting the highlights of Edgecomb. We have a grant from Lincoln County to create this piece; to comply with this grant, the target date for brochure completion is end of November. Those with ideas, historic photos, etc. could submit them to Mike and the ED Committee.
- Mike said the proceeds from the Fire Dept. Auxiliary's recent sale of a fire truck should go to the Fire Truck Fund to be used for fire truck loan reduction or the future purchase of a new truck. This topic will be discussed further with all parties involved.
- Mike announced that the new Fiberight LLC facility is open and has begun taking recyclables. Their process uses new technology that takes time to become fully operational.
- Claudia Coffin discussed details of some outstanding financials as she works to close the books on fiscal year 2018-2019.

6. Warrants – Ted discussed the following warrants:

• General Warrant #4 – August 12, 2019

 School – Payroll
 \$18,667.14

 School – Payables
 \$11,463.13

 General Expenses
 \$30,887.84

 TOTAL:
 \$61,018.11

Ted move to accept; Mike second; Approved 2-0.

• Waste Water Warrant #102 – August 12, 2019

TOTAL: \$3208.00

Ted move to approve; Mike second; Approved 2-0.

7. Public Comment

• Edgecomb property owners Katherine Rohr (full-year resident) and William Anthony (summer resident) expressed their concerns about rising taxes in Edgecomb. They expressed interest in being part of a group to study the budgeting process and look for ways to control costs. Janet Blevins of the Budget Committee commented that the Town welcomes input. Budget Committee meetings are open to the public, and also each year there is a separate meeting for people to give budget input ahead of Town Meeting. Dr. Rohr and Mr. Anthony, who both have experience from other states, asked several questions about school budgeting in our state, which were answered in depth by both Mike and Janet. Mike spoke again of his interest in establishing a Forum dedicated to exploring long-range issues the Town needs to solve. He emphasized that good ideas and active participation from a diverse group of townspeople will be welcomed. Ted reiterated that a diverse committee that represents business owners, long-time residents, new residents, families with children, etc. would be most beneficial for in-depth study and discussion of issues facing our town as we look ahead.

8. Adjourn