Town of Edgecomb Select Board Minutes October 7, 2019, 6:00 PM

Attendees:

Jack Sarmanian, Ted Hugger, Mike Smith – Select Board Members Barbara Brennan – Recording Secretary Nicholas Bryant – CLC Ambulance Service

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Approval of Minutes
 - Ted move to accept minutes; Mike second; Approved 3-0.

3. Nicholas Bryant, CLC Ambulance Service

- Nick reported that since CLC took over Edgecomb's Ambulance service in mid-2018, calls are up, with 114 calls so far this year. He praises communication with our Fire Dept, saying "communication is flawless."
- Ted asked about the increase in calls, and Nick responded that this is their first full year in service. There also have been several transfers from Lincoln to Maine Med. in Portland. They have 2 paramedics available around the clock, serving 9 communities.
- Mike responded that stable service is attractive to our town, and expressed his interest in renewing the 5-year contract.
- Chief Potter noted that the FD is working with the county on first responder protocols.
- Claudia asked for clarification on the CLC contract. It runs from July 1- June 30 each year for 5 years.

4. Ken Vinal

- Ken was not present at this meeting; Jack will contact him to attend next meeting.
- Roy Potter stated that he is working with Ken and the Post Master to verify all street addresses for 911 response. He feels his 911 information is now current.

5. Old Business

Mike reported on the following items:

- The brochure committee will meet Tuesday 10/15 to finalize design and text; the final draft of the brochure will be presented to the SB at their meeting on 11/4.
- Scott Griffin expects to pave the CP Rd. within the next week or so, dependent on the weather.
- The Fire Dept will hold a fish fry on Saturday, Oct. 12, 11-2.

Ted reported that the Eddy School children enjoyed touring the Santa Maria.

6. New Business

- Jack volunteered to work with the Lincoln County Bicentennial Planning Committee and will also sit on their Board.
- Jack said the State increased the valuation for Edgecomb in 2020 to \$230,150,000. This is a \$12,000,000 increase over the last year's valuation. Mike would like to discuss with our local representative the origin(s) of the increase.
- The SB granted permission to hold the Charlie Brown Christmas Tree Contest on 12/6 this

- year, declaring this annual event "a fine idea!"
- Jack referred to a feature article in a Maine magazine about the Botanical Gardens' Aglow event. Last year 116,000 visitors attended. He would like to explore again a relationship between Edgecomb and the Gardens. Ted verified that the Gardens Aglow provided a healthy boost for area businesses.
- Mike suggested inviting Revision Energy to discuss interest in local solar energy projects, siting possible locations such as the Fire Station, EES, Laliss property.
- Mike said there is an application from the Nature Conservancy to convert lighting to LED for a potential 75% savings in energy costs.
- Jack received a letter from William Brewer about the audit to begin on Sept. 26.
- Claudia requested tax abatements for Karen Tiger and Jan Javnes:
 - tax year 2018 abatement totaling \$3780.85 Mike motion to grant abatement, Ted second, approved 3-0.
 - tax year 2019 abatement totaling \$4487.20 Mike motion to grant abatement, Ted second, approved 3-0

7. Warrants – Ted reported

• General Warrant #8

School - Payroll	\$36,654.58
School - Payables	100,216.30
General Expenses	17,000.86
TOTAL	\$153,871,74

- TIF Warrant #202 \$84,840.13
- Waste Water Warrant #105 \$2629.50

8. Public Comment

- Roy Potter questioned the addition being built on the DOT building on Rt. 1. He wonders what the FD needs to know about this new building: is it a dorm for workers? The SB feels the Planning Board should be informed about this to confirm that it conforms to shoreline zoning ordinances, etc. Jack will contact the DOT about the need for communication about this.
- Roy Potter reported on the following items regarding the FD:
 - air-fill system is being tested
 - Roy will be away this weekend and also Oct. 17-20.
 - call volume for this year is 162, about average
- Tom Boudin reported on a piece of property for sale in Edgecomb that he feels might make a nice park. Jack reiterated that Tom should meet with the Conservation Commission. Jack also reinforced that the SB needs to explore how to resolve the related tennis court issue through the town's attorney.

9. Adjourn - 6:57.