

# Town of Edgecomb Select Board

## MINUTES

January 25, 2021

This meeting was conducted remotely via Zoom video conferencing.

### ATTENDEES

Mike Smith, Select Board Chair

Ted Hugger, Dawn Murray – Select Board Members

Barbara Brennan – Recording Secretary

#### 1. Approval of 1/11 Minutes

Ted motioned to approve the Minutes; Dawn seconded.

Roll call vote: Ted yes; Dawn yes; Mike yes. Minutes approved 3-0.

#### 2. New Business

- Representative Holly Stover introduced herself and explained that she serves on two committees: Health and Human Services and Government Oversight. Issues she is interested in include Covid relief for towns, vaccines, roads, broadband coverage, and schools. Following are some discussion highlights with Rep Stover: Dawn expressed need for school funding, especially for transportation for students in special federally mandated programs. Also need for better health care, especially as it relates to mental health services. Ted expressed concern that local businesses may be taxed on PPP and other federal loans. He would like the Legislature to get back in session to encourage debate of these and other issues. Mike said that our state-owned roads need attention, especially Rt. 27. He is also looking for a solution to uneven broadband coverage in town. Jack Dexter of Cod Cove Rd. expressed need for improving internet access in his neighborhood. Rep Stover agreed to write a letter of support for their Connect ME grant application.
- Chris Collette of Wiscasset Water District reported that the District has experienced expense increases, moratoriums, and project slow-downs last year as a result of the coronavirus pandemic. He is in the process of reviewing finances and making projections for this year. He will communicate with the Select Board about expected rate increases that could impact Edgecomb customers.



