

Town of Edgecomb Select Board

MINUTES

February 22, 2021, 6:00 PM

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 2/8 Minutes

- Ted motioned to approve the Minutes; Dawn seconded. Roll call: Ted yes; Dawn yes; Mike yes. Approved 3/0

2. New Business

- Mike received a notice from the DOT that work is beginning on both projects (Eddy Rd, and Rt 27/Rt 1 intersection) with conversations with abutting property owners. Ted mentioned there has also been work with telephone poles this week at the Rt 27 intersection with Rt.1.
- Wiscasset Community Center has written in regard to a partnership with Edgecomb for the use of their facility. The SB said their offer is worth a conversation with Duane Goud, WCC Director. There will be more information to come about this meeting.
- Dawn discussed Efficiency Maine grants that are available for improving efficiencies of heat and lighting in town buildings. The deadline for the grant application is at the end of March. Mike suggested setting up a visit to our TH by one of the affiliated contractors to discuss ideas for improving the TH. Dawn will take the lead and set up an appointment.
- Dawn had a conversation with officials from Tidewater Telecom, a local internet provider. She was impressed with their interest in working to improve internet service in underserved areas of Edgecomb. Dawn suggests that there needs to be a Broadband Committee and citizens need to become active to lend credibility to discussions with providers. At this time, the SB will serve as the Broadband Committee and invite Tidewater in for a meeting in March. More information about this meeting to come.

3. Ongoing Business

- We will schedule Chris Cossette of the Wiscasset Water District on the SB meeting agenda in April to discuss increases water fees that might impact Edgecomb users.

4. Warrants: Ted submitted the following warrants for approval

- General Warrant #17 \$473,402.29
(\$443, 376.65 to the schools)
Roll call: Ted yes; Dawn yes; Mike yes. Approved 3/0.

- Waste Water Warrant #109 \$1955.83
Roll call: Ted yes; Dawn yes; Mike yes. Approve 3/0.

5. Public Comments

- Barry Hathorne, Chair of the Planning Board, asked when the TH might be opening for meetings. He said it is easier to conduct public hearings at the TH than over Zoom. Mike said he should be able to confirm a date for opening the TH for meetings at the next SB meeting on 3/8. Barry said the PB and the Ordinance Review Committee are busy working on the Solar Array project proposed for Rt 1 property.

6. Adjourn 6:26 PM