

# Town of Edgecomb Select Board

## MINUTES

March 8, 2021, 6:00 PM

This meeting was conducted remotely via Zoom video conferencing.

### ATTENDEES

Mike Smith, Select Board Chair

Ted Hugger, Select Board Member

Dawn Murray, Select Board Member

Barbara Brennan, Recording Secretary

#### 1. Approval of 2/22 Minutes

Ted motioned to approve the Minutes; Dawn seconded.

Roll call: Ted yes; Dawn yes; Mike yes. Approved 3/0.

#### 2. New Business

- Mike announced that Ken Vinal will retire as CEO, and thanked him for his service. Ken recommended Jarrod Pinkham to fill his position. Jarrod introduced himself and discussed his interest in working as Edgecomb's Code Enforcer, in addition to serving other local towns in this role. Ted commented that Jarrod has excellent qualifications for the job. Ted motioned that the SB appoint Jarrod Pinkham as CEO for the balance of this fiscal year, beginning on 3/15. This appointment is with the understanding that Jarrod can be re-appointed when this fiscal year ends on June 30.

Roll call: Ted yes; Dawn yes; Mike yes. Approved 3/0.

Jarrod will arrange to meet with Mike at TH.

- The SB is inviting our Legislators, Chloe Maxmin and Holly Stover, to join a discussion with Tidewater Telecom at the next SB meeting on 3/22. We will post a notice about this discussion on the website and also contact residents Jack Dexter and Cheryl Cunningham.
- Dawn met with a contractor connected with Efficiency Maine to walk through the TH and recommend ways to increase energy efficiency. He looked at the boiler, heating zones, ductwork, etc. He will work up a proposal on costs and coverage through Efficiency Maine.
- Mike will talk with the new Health Officer, Dr. K. Rohr, about her opinion

on holding small masked gatherings at Town Hall, with the hope of holding SB meetings there beginning April 6.

- The SB is exploring the town's responsibilities related to the new Earned Paid Leave legislation in Maine. There are questions about how this impacts the Fire Department. Dawn will meet with an attorney to discuss short- and long-term implications of the legislation. Ted motioned to have Dawn contact an attorney and cover expenditures for up to 10 hours. Dawn seconded. Roll call: Ted yes; Dawn yes; Mike yes. Approved 3/0.
- The SB received a letter from the DOT asking for signatures to a document that allows them to exceed weight limits on Rt 1, Rt 27, and Eddy Rd for certain equipment during their upcoming road projects. The SB signed.
- Budget: Jack Brennan discussed the County Tax increase of \$13,590. Mike explained that our town's valuation increased, making us eligible for this tax increase. Claudia pointed out the increase would be higher without the TIF. The SB also discussed the FD payroll increases, which the Board feels are reasonable; they will reassess after Dawn visits with the attorney.

### 3. Ongoing Business

- Mike has been in contact with Doug Beck from the State Dept. There is discussion about a new piece of property that may be part of the solution to the ongoing tennis court problem. Lisa McSwain has more information to share at an upcoming meeting.
- The SB should send thoughts about the Dedication page in the Town Report to Barbara. Decision at the next meeting.
- Mike announced that the sixth graders at the EES will be planting the flags on veteran's graves this coming Memorial Day. Mike would like to contact the American Legion about their idea to do a flag ceremony, maybe including a color guard, this year.
- The SB and Claudia will complete the Warrant this week, allowing for printing of the referendum ballot and the programming of the memory sticks for the tabulator.

### 4. Warrants – Ted submitted the following warrants for approval:

- General warrant #18                      \$267,597.59  
Ted motioned to accept; Dawn seconded. Roll call: Ted yes; Dawn yes; Mike yes. Approved 3/0
- Waste water warrant #110              \$2382.90  
Ted motioned to accept; Dawn seconded. Roll call: Ted yes; Dawn yes; Mike yes. Approved 3/0.

5. Public Comment

- Roy Potter will meet with Mr. Larson to discuss his plan for the roof deck at the Water's Edge.
- The Board is looking for a new member for the Appeals Board, since Dawn Murray must resign her seat.

6. Adjourn 7:00 PM