

Town of Edgecomb Select Board

MINUTES

August 23, 2021, 6:00 PM

Attendees:

Dawn Murray, Select Board Chair

Ted Hugger, Select Board Member

Mike Smith, Select Board Member

Barbara Brennan, Recording Secretary

1. Approval of Minutes from 8/9

Ted motioned to approve the Minutes; Mike seconded. Approved 3/0.

2. New Business

- Asst Fire Chief Roland Abbott reported that Maine has required that all EMS personnel be vaccinated against COVID-19 and also that the Department keep medical records of all personnel. A couple of members of the FD are not yet vaccinated; they are required to wear masks at every call and also at the fire station. There are still questions about procedures and costs for this new rule, according to Abbott. He also said the Maine Fire Chiefs association is opposed to the vaccination requirement.
- Committee Appointments – Mike motioned to appoint Nick Mirabile to the Appeals Committee; Ted seconded; approved 3/0. Ted motioned to appoint Alesia Norling to the Appeals Committee; Mike seconded; approved 3/0. Dawn will confirm the Harbor Master and Deputy Harbor Master positions. She is also working on confirming Waterfront Committee appointments and the Constable/Truant Officer re-appointment.
- Technology for the town – Dawn will research what is needed for Edgecomb to provide a Zoom option for meetings. She will also contact other towns to see what they offer. Mike and Ted agreed that this is a priority and questioned whether it might be funded by pending federal recovery funds.
- Financials – Claudia Coffin reported on the June financials with carry-overs from fiscal 2019 - 2020. She reported that RE tax returns are at 98.12% and that property liens are down considerably at this time. She will provide the July financial report at the next SB meeting.
- Mil rate – the mil rate has been set at 17.45.
- The SB recently received a Solar Energy Systems Ordinance from the Planning Board. They will discuss a date for a Public Hearing at the next meeting.

3. Ongoing Business

- Ted reported he has not heard anything about a possible DOT discussion with Holly Stover regarding need for Rt 27 repaving.
- Mike asked how Edgecomb residents could submit ideas for the upcoming Forum regarding how to spend federal funds. Janet Blevins suggested a note on the website and/or FB page.
- Claudia Coffin's wish list for improvements to the TH includes: 4 new (comfortable) office chairs for elections; an Emergency Exit sign by the stage; lights and fans should be cleaned; glass window doors in the balcony need work to make them usable and safe; several lights need to be fixed.
- Ted announced that he sent letters to the abutters of the Stephenson property. They have 30 days to respond.

4. Warrants

- General Warrant #4 \$413,232.78 (includes Aug and Sept EES payments)
Ted motioned to approve; Mike seconded; approved 3/0.

5. Public Comment

- A question was raised about another meeting with the area Water Districts in the fall regarding extending water pipes down Rt 27 through Edgecomb. Dawn has no further information and expects them to contact the SB about future meetings.

6. Next meeting is Tuesday, 9/7.

7. Adjourn 6:42