

Town of Edgecomb Select Board

MINUTES

Tuesday, Sept. 7, 2021, 6:00 PM

ATTENDEES:

Dawn Murray, Select Board Chair

Mike Smith, Select Board Member

Barbara Brennan, Recording Secretary

1. Approval of Minutes from 8/23
 - Mike motioned to approve the Minutes; Dawn seconded. Approved 2/0.
2. New Business
 - Jonathan Tourcotte from Glidden Point Oyster Farm asked to renew their liquor license. Mike motioned to approve; Dawn seconded. Approved 2/0. Mike suggested to Jonathan that he might recruit someone from the Damariscotta River side of town to join the Waterfront Committee.
 - Committee Appointments: Dawn nominated Corning Townsend for the position of Harbormaster; Mike seconded. Approved 2/0. Dawn nominated David Nutt to be Assistant Harbor Master; Mike seconded. Approved 2/0. Mike said he has spoken with Bob Leone about adding another term as Constable/Truant Officer, and Bob expressed willingness to do this.
 - Town Hall housekeeping: Cricket Klein and Matt Thompson accepted a job as housekeepers for the Town Hall. They have met with Mike and received a walk-through of the building. They received paperwork from Claudia. They will earn \$100 per month.
 - Lisa McSwain, head of the Schmid Preserve, presented a form that will be submitted to Mid-Maine Forestry to begin their work defining the Management Plan for the Preserve. Lisa emphasized that any timber harvesting would be done only for the health of the forest. Lisa plans to begin work on an endowment plan for the Schmid. Also Lisa asked:
 1. To have her contact information added to the Website for Schmid related questions.
 2. For ideas to push Doug Beck of the Federal State Dept to approve the acquisition of the Abbott land as replacement for the tennis courts. She would like to contact Angus King and Chellie Pingree to help. Barbara has sent Lisa the letter that was mailed to Mr. Beck in April, 2021.
 3. To have the town assume responsibility for maintaining Old County Rd, which is a major entry point to the Schmid. Mike responded that there is a good case to be made for this request, and he would bring it up with the Budget Committee when they begin their work for the next budget year.

3. Ongoing Business

- Update on Eddy Rd project: Dawn reported that the DOT plans to start work on Eddy Rd after the Rt 1/Rt 27 project is done. They are projecting 9/22 or 9/29. They want to discuss blasting on Eddy Rd. Dawn will try to schedule a visit with them at the next SB meeting.
- Mike would like to add Planning the Town Forum to the Agenda for the next meeting.
- The new sign for the Town Hall is in place. Looks beautiful!
- Mike said Pat Oberuch will do some electrical work at the Town Hall, including replacing bulbs with LED bulbs and cleaning the fans.
- Dawn spoke with Wiscasset Glass about replacing the glass in the old door. It will have to be regular glass panes rather than the special version in place there now.

4. Warrants: In Ted's absence, Mike presented the following Warrants for approval

- General Warrant #5 \$208,922.73
Mike motioned to approve; Dawn seconded. Approved 2/0.
- Waste Water Warrant #102 \$3784.30
Mike motioned to approve; Dawn seconded; Approved 2/0

5. Public Comment

- Janet Blevins reported that Jack Dexter contacted her to say that Spectrum would install internet cable in the Cod Cove Rd. neighborhood. Also, the technician working with Janet on the website has done a great job cleaning up and assisting Janet in updating the site. Janet suggested that any potential Admin Asst hired to work for Edgecomb should have the capability to oversee the website. Or we could hire the current technician to do so for a cost of about \$1000 per year.

6. Next meeting date: Sept 20

7. Adjourn 6:40