

Town of Edgecomb Select Board

MINUTES

November 29, 2021

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 11/15

Ted motioned to approve the minutes: Mike seconded. Approved 3/0.

2. New Business

- **Budget Committee:** Jack Brennan and 3 members of the Budget Committee attended the meeting. Jack presented his proposed schedule for working with town departments on budgets this year. They will begin by meeting with the Schmid Committee on 12/29 and hope to wrap up with a presentation of the budget to the town on March 7, 2022. He said they plan to meet in person rather than via Zoom. Jack requested “input and direction” for building this year’s budget from the SB. Mike said the school’s funding will be a determining factor, with the EES being paid for and the state planning to contribute 55% of school funding. Mike wonders if there will be an increase in BBRDD costs due to ongoing issues with the Fiberright facility. Dawn would like to add a line item for funding maintenance of the town website. Dawn expressed appreciation for the “depth of knowledge and cohesiveness” of the Budget Committee.
- **Lincoln Cty items of interest;** Mike discussed the purchase of a \$485K bailer by LC Recycling for which we are being billed., asking “What is the use or benefit of this bailer to Edgecomb?” Our ASK grant check has not yet been mailed. Dawn will attend a meeting on Weds. 12/1 about county needs for code enforcement officers.

3. Ongoing Business

- **12/3 Charlie Brown trees details :** Mike has installed the trees. Dawn is confirming the list of judges. Barbara and Janet will supervise three EES groups on Friday. Barbara will work with the judges beginning at 3:30, and will purchase \$10 gift cards from Woodsong. Dawn asked the school principal to invite school families to the tree lighting on Friday at 5:00. Dawn is working on finding a Santa for a drive-by visit on Friday evening.
- **12/11 Meet and Greet details:** Dawn posted an invite to the Meet and Greet on Next Door and is receiving favorable response. She suggested installing a digital sign to advertise the event outside the TH next week. She expects about 20 attendees.

- **Town Clerk/Treasurer:** Claudia Coffin did not attend this meeting.
 - **Schmid Management Plan:** Mike attended a meeting with the Schmid Committee and Midcoast Forestry, the agency developing the new Schmid management plan. He said their proposal may be to do some cutting, or to do no cutting: the Schmid is home to a large area of trees that are over 100 years old, the largest area south of Bangor with trees this old. They may recommend to leave the Preserve as is!
 - **Appointments:** Mike motioned to appoint John Dunlap as Planning Board Alternate for one year. Ted seconded. Approved 3/0. Mike motioned to approve Rowan Peterson as Planning Board Alternate for one year. Ted seconded. Approved 3/0. Mike motioned to approve Curt Crosby as Edgecomb representative to the BBRRD for 3 years. Ted seconded. Approved 3/0. Mike motioned to approve David Pratt as Animal Control Officer for one year. Ted seconded. Approved 3/0.
4. Warrants: Ted submitted the following warrant for approval:
 - General Warrant #11 \$218,495.52 (includes a school payment)
Ted motioned to approve; Mike seconded. Approved 3/0.
 5. Public Comment
 6. Next meeting date: 12/13
 7. Adjourn 6:50