

Town of Edgecomb Select Board

Special Meeting

March 10, 2022, 3:00 PM

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Ted Hugger

Mike Smith

Claudia Coffin

Barbara Brennan

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Dawn Murray, Select Board Chair

Ted Hugger, Select Board Member

Mike Smith, Select Board Member

Barbara Brennan, Recording Secretary

1. Approval of Minutes from February 22

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

2. New Business

• Finalize Town Report

1. Wm Brewer will submit the Audit directly to LCP. Ted will submit the Warrant directly to LCP.

2. Mike has suggested a cover photo. Barbara will track down an electronic version.

3. Dedication page will be written by Barbara with notes from Claudia and others.

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4. SB page to come from Mike.

3. Ongoing Business

- ARPA funds: Dawn reported that the federal government has revised the guidelines for spending to be easier to implement. Funds can be used to replace lost public sector revenue as well as to pay for covid related workers, broadband use, public safety, staffing, communication, and maintenance. Mike suggested the funds might cover the purchase of a new sign to communicate with residents about town activities and events.
- The Select Board will host a second Meet and Greet at the Town Hall on Saturday, March 12 from 8:30-11:00.
- Clerk/Treasurer:
 5. Claudia Coffin questioned whether General Assistance has been reimbursed over the past months. She reminded SB to fill out the form requesting reimbursement.
 6. Claudia also made a correction on p. 41 of the Audit. Mike motioned to accept the Audit for the year ending 6/30/21 with a carry-over change for snow and ice removal of \$40,812.33.
 7. Dawn signed the Audit Representation letter.
 8. Claudia reported there is \$868,825.76 in surplus. This exceeds the requirement of \$700,000.
 9. Claudia state that the maximum interest to charge for overpayment or refund of taxes is 4%.

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

- General Warrant #18. \$89,047.48
 Ted motioned to approve; Mike seconded. Approved 3/0.
- TIF Warrant #202. \$40,612.08
 Ted motioned to approve; Mike seconded. Approved 3/0.
- Waste Water Warrant #109. \$3347.50
 Ted motioned to approve; Mike seconded. Approved 3/0.

5. Public Comment

- Janet Blevins reported that Ted has everything he needs to put together the 2022-2023 Warrant.
- Dawn reported to Roy Potter that \$10,000 would be set aside for a Fire Truck Reserve Fund. This fund can be used for emergency maintenance or acquisition of fire vehicles. Roy added that the Cost Recovery Ordinance also specifies that cost recovery funds also be placed in a Truck Replacement Fund.
- Dawn also expressed support for a Town Capital Improvement Fund. Mike is hesitant to begin this kind of fund at this time, saying there are other ways the town can find funds for capital needs, such as a loan from the Woodend Fund. He is concerned about upcoming expenses such as revaluation and ordinance review. He said there needs to be discussion about how to satisfy longterm goals.
- Heather Sinclair, School Committee Chair, reported that the School Committee voted to submit their original budget, with an additional \$150,000 of EES reserves given back to the town to lessen the taxpayer burden. Superintendent Kahler will send the final budget to Dawn. The School Committee also voted to make masks optional beginning Wednesday. This complies with the Maine CDC recommendations.

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- Roy Potter asked if there is an Article in the Warrant that asks that the FD be able to accept donations and grants. Yes, there is. He also asked if the FD unused Payroll funds roll over. Claudia said historically they have. Roy also asked if ARPA funds coming from Lincoln County can be used for training. Dawn asked Roy to submit a plan that can be forwarded to the County.
- Ted asked Roy Potter for his assessment of the new intersection at Rt 1 and Rt. 27. Roy said it is “a nightmare” trying to get trucks through there during traffic or an accident because of the islands.

6. Next meeting: Monday March 21.

7. Adjourn 7:05 PM