

Town of Edgecomb Select Board

MINUTES

May 16, 2022, 6:00 PM

Attendees: Dawn Murray, Ted Hugger, Mike Smith, Claudia Coffin, George Chase, Janet Blevins, Barbara Brennan

1. **Approval of Minutes from May 2:** Ted motioned to approve the minutes; Mike seconded. Approved 3/0.
2. New Business
 - **Trash on Lallis property:** There is abundant household refuse located on or near the town-owned Lallis property. George Chase has researched ordinances in place in other towns regarding refuse. He will work up wording for an ordinance and share with the Planning Bd and Ordinance Review Committees. There are safety and public health related ordinances in place related to vehicles, appliances, and storage of materials. George stressed a new ordinance will need to be carefully worded, enforceable, and measurable. Meanwhile, Mike volunteered to call Giles to discuss a plan for disposing of the refuse.
 - Dawn reminded residents of the upcoming voting for town officials and the 2022-2023 Warrant to be done through secret balloting on Saturday, May 21 at the Town Hall, 1:00 - 7:00.
3. Ongoing Business
 - **Salt Shed repair:** Ted reported that MMA has inquired about the status of the Salt Shed roof repairs. Mike explained that in 2020 the Town paid a contractor \$17,800 to install a new corrugated metal roof, but the contractor installed it incorrectly and has not responded to requests to fix the problem. Dawn suggested that the town's lawyer send the contractor a demand letter describing breach of contract and sub-standard workmanship.
 - There is a problem with the material Scott Griffin is getting from Hanley's Mt Hunger gravel pit. Mike reported that according to Scott, the quality of the material is not up to his standard. Mike will call Hanley's to set up a meeting to try to reach a resolution.
 - **Input on Annual Report:** The SB is happy with the Report. Barbara is interested in finding ways to make it relevant to encourage residents to read it. She will try to collect photos of town boards and committees and try to highlight our many volunteers in next year's Report.

- Mike mentioned that he read about two towns in Maine using their ARPA funds for property re-valuation. Dawn said this is a possibility, though actual funding is small. She said it could be argued that Covid has impacted property values in Maine.
- Mike raised the topic of the recent letters to the editor in the Boothbay Register about water access in Edgecomb. He said the Harbormaster cannot imply leadership of the Waterfront Committee.
- Several Edgecomb residents will help plant flags on the graves of veterans buried in Edgecomb cemeteries. The sixth graders from the EES will help as well.
- Dan Cooper will replant and re-do the ramp to the Town Hall as requested by Claudia Coffin. Mike motioned to fund \$2500 for this work; Ted seconded. Approved 3/0. Mike volunteered to work with Mr. Cooper.
- Mike said the initial meeting of the TH improvement committee will take place within the next 2 weeks.

4. Warrants: Ted submitted the following Warrants for approval

- General Warrant #23 \$6859.23
Ted motioned to approve; Mike seconded; Approved 3/0.
- Waste Water Warrant #111. \$3147.30
Ted motioned to approve; Mike seconded. Approved 3/0.

5. Public Comment

- Janet Blevins inquired about the next Meet and Greet; Dawn hopes sometime in June.

6. Next meeting: Tuesday May 31

7. Adjourn 6:52 PM.