

Town of Edgecomb Select Board

MINUTES

Tuesday, May 31, 2022, 6:00 PM

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

1. **Approval of Minutes** from May 16: Ted motioned to approve the Minutes with two corrections; Mike seconded. Minutes approved 3/0.
2. New Business
 - **Election results:** All articles on the Warrant passed with the exception of “No” recommendations on 3 articles related to EES budget. George Chase accepted a 3-year appointment on the School Committee as a result of winning a write-in vote
 - **Election of the Board Chair:** Mike and Ted agreed that Dawn is doing a great job as Chair of the Select Board, saying they work well as a team and the town can benefit from a steady presence at the helm. Ted motioned to elect Dawn Murray as Chair of the SB for another term. Mike seconded. Approved 3/0.
 - **DOT rumble strip painting:** Dawn received a letter from the DOT saying they were planning to install a rumble strip on the center line of Rt 1 between the bridge in Wiscasset and the junction of Rt 1 and Rt 27 where the speed limit is 50 mph. The project will be done this summer.
 - **Tort claims letter:** Dawn received a letter from Rathbone Co. wanting the town to remove a fallen tree because the tree is near Cross Point Rd. Dawn said the town does not own this land, so it is not our responsibility to remove the tree.
 - **Comprehensive Plan request:** Mike suggested inviting Rebecca Graham and David Nutt of the Ordinance Review Committee to the next SB meeting to discuss their plans/needs related to the town’s Comprehensive Plan. The plan is dated and will take substantial time and funding to update.
 - **MMA Legislative representation opportunity:** Dawn said that MMA is looking for representatives from different towns to join a 2022-2024 policy committee. The members of the SB said they did not have time.
 - **Next Meet + Greet** Dawn is exploring dates for the next Meet and Greet.

3. Ongoing Business

- **Salt Shed:** There has been no response from the contractor; Ted will contact Sally Daggett of Eaton Peabody to request that she draft a letter.
- **Town gravel:** Mike will talk with Scott Griffin about how to proceed.
- **Sub-committee meeting:** Mike reported that the subcommittee interested in studying ways to improve the TH had its first meeting. Their next meeting is the third week of June. Mike expects the committee to request permission to hire someone to study the properties adjacent to the TH. The committee is off to a good start, with a goal of presenting a plan to the Budget Committee to be addressed on the Warrant next year.
- Mike was pleased that Joel Morley visited Edgecomb on Memorial Day as part of the veterans' ceremonies conducted on the peninsula. This group expressed interest in adding names to the war memorial at TH.
- Ted mentioned that the cemeteries in town have many damaged or fallen markers.
- Mike raised a discussion about TIF funding related to infrastructure improvements at the Sheepscot Harbor community on Davis Island. He said the residents are unaware that a percentage of their real estate taxes (45%) is placed in a town account to be used for infrastructure within the TIF property. Mike suggested adding TIF Disposition to the agenda for the next SB meeting.
- Mike said that Dan Cooper would like a \$700 payment to begin working on the ramp to the Town Hall. Mike will call him.
- Dawn mentioned a well located on the Davis Island Association property near her home is uncovered and presents a hazard. George Chase suggested having it covered and sending them a bill.

4. Warrants: Ted submitted the following warrants for approval

- General Warrant #24: \$245,367.51 (includes School payment). Ted motioned to approve; Mike seconded. Approved 3/0.
- Waste Water Warrant #112: \$3254.20. Ted motioned to approve; Mike seconded. Approved 3/0.

5. Next meeting: June 13

6. Adjourn: 6:58 PM