

Town of Edgecomb
Select Board

Feb. 20, 2024 6:00 PM

In attendance: Mike Smith, Lynn Norgang, Michael Maxim, Barbara Brennan, Claudia Coffin

1. Approval of minutes: Michael motioned to approve the minutes of the Feb. 6 meeting; Lynn seconded. Approved 3/0
2. Ongoing Business
 - **Ambulance bid:** Lynn motioned to accept the 3-year bid from CLC Ambulance for a cost of \$74,000 this year, \$80,000 next year, and \$86,000 the third year. Michael seconded. Approved 3/0. Voters will need to approve this contract on the Warrant in May.
3. New Business
 - **Davis Island flooding:** John Allen, resident and board member of the HOA discussed recent flooding concerns on Davis Island. Rain water and tidal surge connected with two storms in January inundated homes and drainage systems. Two basement units in the Inn and Lodge were flooded. The HOA has discussed the problem with MEMA representative Heather Dumais and is working on both short-term and long-term solutions. Mr. Allen asked the SB to meet with Ms Dumais to learn about what the town can do to support their efforts. Mike suggested that they involve Holly Stover and Cameron Reny, since some problem culverts are along Eddy Rd, a state road. Mike suggested John set up a meeting with Heather Dumais and the SB.
 - **The Conservation Committee** attended the meeting to discuss visiting the Middle Rd portion of Barry Hathorne's foreclosed property to identify an appropriate piece of land that might be used for public recreational purposes. This parcel may be approved as a replacement the tennis court built with a federal grant. Mike suggests using about 5 acres to create a recreational area that includes accessible parking for the Schmid Preserve. The Samuel Trask house is also located on this property. Mike asked the CC to keep in touch with him and Lisa McSwain about their work.
 - **DOT meeting:** Late March, early April Mike would like to discuss the Rt 27 project and also the contaminated well. Invite Holly Stover to the meeting.
 - **March 5 meetings** - ARPA at 4:00; SB at 6:00 (invite Budget Committee). There will be a Public Meeting on March 12 about the 2024-25 budget.

- **PB Warrant articles:** Attorney Ben McCall is reviewing articles the PB wants to put on the Warrant for May 18 voting.
 - **Town Meeting moderator;** Mike is in the process of trying to reach Melissa Holmes. The moderator needs to be at the TH (or assign a deputy) during voting on 5/17 as well as for the TH meeting on 5/18.
 - **Scott Griffin** will negotiate a new contract. Lynn motioned for Mike to represent the SB in negotiations with Scott Griffin. Michael seconded. Approved 3/0.
 - **Re-valuation costs:** Mike has discussed with Mr. O'Donnell; it is possible he may be able to accept two payments rather than just one.
 - **Barbara Brennan** served her last meeting as Recording Secretary. She will continue to work with the 250th Planning Committee and will complete this year's Town Report.
4. Warrants: Lynn submitted the following warrants for approval
- General Warrant #17. \$253,244.34 (includes school payment). Michael motioned to approve; Mike seconded. Approved 3/0.
 - TIFF Warrant #202. \$40,612.07 (fire truck final payment)
Michael motioned to approve; Mike seconded. Approved 3/0
 - Amended warrant #14. \$77,042.26. Michael motioned to approve; Lynn seconded. Approved 3/0.
 - Amended warrant #15. \$232,429.26. Michael motioned to approve; Lynn seconded. Approved 3/0.
5. Financials: Claudia Coffin discussed the following:
- Tax stabilization: Edgecomb has been reimbursed 56% and has received \$5 per application for processing. The State hopes to reimburse the remainder in the spring.
 - We need to approve trustees for the Wells Fargo, Hammond, and Woodend funds; we should wait until the new SB member is elected in May to do this.
 - Mike motioned to approve the appointment of Claudia Coffin as Warden for the election on March 5; Michael seconded. Approved 3/0.
 - Claudia will proofread the Warrant before publication for Town Meeting. She will send the final version to Barbara for the Town Report.
 - We need to keep the Absentee Ballot box shoveled out. AH has been notified.
 - The foreclosed property (Old County Rd) payments are up to date.

- In the absence of the Audit, our budget summary sheets from Fran now include estimated carryovers for key lines.
- The last payment on the fire truck from the TIF has been made, although interest (about \$600) was not included

6. Public Comment - none

7. Next Meeting - Tuesday March 5

8. Adjourn 7:10