



Town of Eddington

906 Main Road Eddington, Maine 04428

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING
THURSDAY
MAY 31st, 2018
6:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE: M. Carreira called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL: All Selectmen present

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: 2018 – 2019 Budget - Russell reviewed Budget and Warrant Articles with Selectmen, making sure the figures and wording were correct before the Public Hearing on June 14th, 2018. Ray Wood asked about Reserve Funds and any and all balances on smaller accounts go into one big account at the end of the year? Yes, Russell said, that is how it works. Joe Powell asked for clarification on Article #17, that it was to approve the amount and not the position itself. Russell said yes, that is how it is written. It was decided that Article #25 (Historical Society Request) will not include the "Recommended by Board of Selectmen" underneath it. Article #26 (Digital Sign) will not include the "Recommended by Board of Selectmen" wording.

Russell said the total increase in this year's budget will be \$99,321.00

NEW BUSINESS: Assessor Ben Birch, Revaluation for Budget – Ben spoke to the Board about the current real estate computer program, the need for new software and that the town has gone passed its 10yr mark for a revaluation. Mr. Birch explained that since he took over as assessor's agent, in November of 2107, he has determined that Eddington is not being equitably assessed. Mr. Birch spoke about the procedures and estimated cost of what it is going to take to get there. The assessments are not kept current to market value, referencing sales ratio studies. Towards the end of his presentation he told the board it needed to be their decision to do the revaluation and if they did he would be happy to do a power point presentation for residents if there was concern. He suggested waiting a year to give him a full year on board with us to see where we were at which would also give him a better sense of direction.


Mark Carreira, Chairman


Pamela Chapman, Selectmen


Ray Wood, Jr.


Joe Powell, Selectmen

OTHER BUSINESS: Next Selectmen's Meeting – Tuesday, June 5th. Info only, no action needed.
Elections, Tuesday, June 12th from 8:00 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Public Hearing – Budget & Warrant Articles, Thursday, June 14th, 6:00 p.m. Info only, no action needed.

PUBLIC ACCESS: No questions asked

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn at 7:28
R. Wood, Jr. / P. Chapman Vote 4-0.



Mark Carreira, Chairman



Pamela Chapman, Selectmen



Ray Wood, Jr.



Joe Powell, Selectmen