

**School Consolidation Committee Meeting Notes
February 8, 2025
Eddington School Tour**

RSU 63 Committee Members Present: Heather Grass and Linda Graban

RSU 63 Committee Members Absent: Derek Robertson

Others Present: Cherie Faulkner, RSU 63 School Board Vice Chair; Jared Fulgoni, RSU 63 Superintendent of Schools; Ryan Porter, RSU 63 Facilities/Maintenance Manager; Timothy Baker, Elementary School Principal; Stephanie McLean, Elementary School Assistant Principal; several citizens and parents from Clifton and Holden.

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 am

Introductions were made and a brief explanation of the purpose of the Committee and tour of Eddington School.

- 1. Walk Around Grounds and Building:** Ryan Porter led the group in a walk around the outside of the school, including the boiler and grounds. The group also toured all the rooms inside the school. Discussion took place during the tour regarding the amount of acreage, the possible opportunity to purchase property behind the school, the fact that Eddington School uses city water, the below ground boiler that needs to be replaced and moved above ground and the detached classroom that is currently being used for before and after school care. It was pointed out that this is the only school building in the town of Eddington in which school and other community activities often take place inside and outside of the school.
- 2. Estimated Valuation of Building:** Brief discussion of the estimated value.
- 3. School Assessment Summary by Priority; Carpenter Associates November 2019:** Jeff Thurlow reviewed the 2019 Carpenter Associations School Summary. Ryan Porter noted the items on the assessment that had been completed.
- 4. Enrollment Projection vs Actual Enrollment:** Review of the decline of student enrollment and future projection.
- 5. Record of Traffic Accidents on RT 9 (2020-2025):** Review documents from Maine DOT regarding traffic accidents near Eddington School. It was noted that all the reported accidents were vehicles off the road and no major accidents. Mention was also made regarding the new road and (I-395 connector) completion and the impact on less traffic where school is located.
- 6. Next Meeting Date:** The next meeting will be held at Holden School to tour the building and grounds there on Saturday, March 8, 2025, at 10:00 am.
- 7. Adjournment:** 11:26am

APPROVED: February 24, 2025