

**EDMESTON TOWN BOARD**  
**EDMESTON, NY 13335**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**June 12, 2007**

The Town of Edmeston Town Board held a Regular Meeting on June 12, 2007 at 7PM in the Edmeston Municipal Building. The following Town Office members were present:

**Present:**  
Supervisor: Russell Dutcher  
Councilman: Fred Tilbe  
Councilman: Dave Green  
Councilman: Scott Convis  
Councilman: Ed Schutz  
Highway Supt: Dale Lund  
Town Clerk: Katie Barker

**Others Present:** Karen Sullivan County Planning Dept, William Rogers, Michele Tasior, Elwyn Smith, Joe Gotti, Donnie Nelson, Sharon Nelson, Jean Emmett, Jack Emmett, Betty Ann Schwerd the County Rep, Dan Wilber, Bernadette Burke, Marty Coomber, Joe Leonard, Joyce Hiler, Karen Sullivan, Carol McLallen, JR Malallen, John Avery York Tom Madden Carole Rogers, Kathy Dye, Dan Wilber County Code Officer

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Town Board held on May 8, 2007 at 7:00 pm were reviewed by the Board, the following corrections need to be done Chlorine Bid #6 the price is \$2.20 no price was listed on the May Board Minutes. On a **MOTION BY:** Councilman Green, **SECONDED BY:** Councilman Convis, the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 8, 2007 were approved with the above change made.

**MOTION CARRIED:**

Supervisor: Russell Dutcher – Ayes  
Councilman: Fred Tilbe – Ayes  
Councilman: Scott Convis – Ayes  
Councilman: Dave Green – Ayes  
Councilman: Ed Schutz - Ayes

**SUPERVISORS REPORT:** Supervisor Dutcher reported:

- 1. Subdivision Regulations** – Supervisor Russell Dutcher and the Town Board reached a decision that it is a Negative Declaration for the SEQR regarding the Subdivision Regulations. Local Law #1 of 2007 adopting Subdivision Laws. On a **MOTION BY:** Councilman Green, **SECONDED BY:** Councilman Convis, Local Law #1 of 2007 was adopted for the Subdivision Laws.

**MOTION CARRIED:**

Supervisor: Russell Dutcher – Ayes  
Councilman: Fred Tilbe – Ayes  
Councilman: Scott Convis – Ayes  
Councilman: Dave Green – Ayes  
Councilman: Ed Schutz – Ayes

- 2. Public Participation** – Michele Tasior a resident of Edmeston brought to the Town Boards attention that residents of the Town of Edmeston are not taking care of their properties and something needs to be done about it. Supervisor Russell Dutcher advised Michele that he will speak to the Town Attorney to see what can be done about the situation. Jean Emmett a resident in South Edmeston advised the board that they have made numerous complaints about residents in South Edmeston and nothing ever comes out of it. Supervisor Dutcher reported that he will look into the complaints that have been filed against property owners. Jean Emmett would also like complaint forms to file against properties in the Town of Edmeston. Several issues were raised regarding problems in South Edmeston. Many were addressed by Dan Wilber. The Town Board will be looking into addressing some of the issues. Many issues were County issues that needed to be addressed by the County. The Town Board will contact the County to follow up on the matter.
- 3. Methodist Church** – A spoken person for the Methodist Church handed out blue prints of the handicap ramp that the church would like to build on the side of the building. The ramp would be about 7 foot on Town Property. The Town Board advised him they would like a more detailed blue print of the ramp and they would discuss it at the next board meeting.
- 4. Time Warner** - Supervisor Dutcher reported he has heard nothing from the Time Warner Rep.

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5. **Fuel Bid** – It was reported that Reese Marshall Fuel Company thought the Town of Edmeston bid the Fuel in July, which is why there was no fuel bid for Reese Marshall this year and they will bid next year.

6. **Transfer of Funds** – Supervisor Dutcher reported he will need to transfer funds for the Fund Balance of \$87,000.00. On a **MOTION BY:** Councilman Tilbe, **SECONDED BY:** Councilman Schutz, the supervisor is authorized to do a transfer of funds of \$87,000.

**MOTION CARRIED:**

Supervisor: Russell Dutcher – Ayes

Councilman: Fred Tilbe – Ayes

Councilman: Scott Convis – Ayes

Councilman: Dave Green – Ayes

Councilman: Ed Schutz – Ayes

7. **Bills** – Supervisor Russell Dutcher reported that there was a bill to renew Rural Water Association for \$160.00 and it was received after the bills were processed for the meeting. On a **MOTION BY:** Councilman Green, **SECONDED BY:** Councilman Convis, the Rural Water Association bill in the amount of \$160.00 is to be paid with this months bills.

**MOTION CARRIED:**

Supervisor: Russell Dutcher – Ayes

Councilman: Fred Tilbe – Ayes

Councilman: Scott Convis – Ayes

Councilman: Dave Green – Ayes

Councilman: Ed Schutz – Ayes

8. **Painting at Highway Garage** – Supervisor Russell Dutcher reported he had a time card of 4 hours @ \$10.00 an hour for Katie Barker and he would like authorization to pay her. On a **MOTION BY:** Councilman Green, **SECONDED BY:** Councilman Schutz, it is approved to pay Katie Barker \$40.00 for 4hours of painting at the Highway Garage.

**MOTION CARRIED:**

Supervisor: Russell Dutcher – Ayes

Councilman: Fred Tilbe – Ayes

Councilman: Scott Convis – Ayes

Councilman: Dave Green – Ayes

Councilman: Ed Schutz – Ayes

9. **Town Clerk Resignation** – Supervisor Russell Dutcher read a letter of Resignation to the Town Board from Katie Barker the Town Clerk/Tax Collector. Her Resignation is effective July 12, 2007. On a **MOTION BY:** Councilman Tilbe, **SECONDED BY:** Councilman Green, regretfully Katie Barkers resignation was accepted and to be effective July 12, 2007. The Town Board would like the position run in the Wharton Valley Pennysaver at this time. They would also like for Katie to train the Deputy Clerk Janet Fallon on any open information she is unaware of at this time for the position.

**MOTION CARRIED:**

Supervisor: Russell Dutcher – Ayes

Councilman: Fred Tilbe – Ayes

Councilman: Scott Convis – Ayes

Councilman: Dave Green – Ayes

Councilman: Ed Schutz – Ayes

**Highway Superintendent** - Dale Lund advised the board that John would like to know about insurance. The board advised Dale that John could get insurance after 6 months. Dale also reported that Paul Tasior would like to know if he has any sick time accumulated from last year he is having surgery for carpel tunnel.

**Tractor** – Dale would like to check on prices for a new tractor.

**Telephone** – Dale reported that the Town Highway phone has not been fixed and that the Town Clerk spoke to Verizon and they said it would be fixed yesterday between 8-2 and no one showed up to fix it. The Town Clerk will call Verizon again to report the problem.

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**WATER DISTRICT REPORT:**

1. Fred reported that EFI is coming tomorrow to put 2 new boxes in.
2. Fred also reported that the material for East Street was \$282.58 and the total cost for Wengerts was \$1250.00. The total cost of the repair was \$1532.58 he would like to know wither or not to bill Wust Construction.
3. Fred reported that he has looked into the different prices for repairing the pool. He received a Quote from Delaware Engineering - \$314,650.00 was the estimated cost to refurbish the pool, \$584,650.00 to put a brand new pool in. Fred would also like the board to consider purchasing security cameras for the pool. The Board would like to hold a Special Meeting on July 10<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm to discuss the reconstruction of the pool.

**TOWN CLERK REPORT:** Katie Barker had no news reported –

**COUNCILMAN REPORTS:**

1. Dave Green reported that the laws for outside Wood Furnaces need to be finalized.

**AUDIT OF CLAIMS:** A warrant of \$ 16,713.32 for claims of vouchers against the General/Highway, Water District funds were presented as Abstract #6-2007.

General / Highway Funds	# 156-184	\$15,085.18
Water District Funds	# 28-32	<u>\$ 1,628.14</u>
	TOTAL	\$16,713.32

On a **MOTION BY:** Councilman Green, **SECONDED BY:** Councilman Convis, that the Audit of Claims be approved for payment as presented of Abstract #6-2007.

**MOTION CARRIED:**

Supervisor: Russell Dutcher – Ayes  
Councilman: Fred Tilbe – Ayes  
Councilman: Scott Convis – Ayes  
Councilman: Dave Green – Ayes  
Councilman: Ed Schutz – Ayes

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business to be conducted, and everyone present having been heard, Supervisor Dutcher adjourned the meeting at 10:30 pm.

Katie Barker, Town Clerk