

**EDMESTON TOWN BOARD**  
**EDMESTON, NY 13335**  
**OCTOBER 14, 2008**

The Town of Edmeston Town Board held a Regular Meeting on October 14, 2008 at 7PM in the South Edmeston Church. The following Town Office members were present:

**Present:** Supervisor: Russell Dutcher  
Councilman: Fred Tilbe  
Councilman: Scott Convis  
Councilman: Ed Schutz  
Highway Supt.: Dale Lund  
Town Clerk: Janet Fallon

**Others Present:** Daniel Shute, Carol McLallen, Jack Emmett, Tom Madden, Joyce Hiler, George Hiler.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town Board held on September 9, 2008 were reviewed by the Board. On a **MOTION BY:** Councilman Tilbe **SECONDED BY:** Councilman Schutz, the minutes of the Regular Meeting were approved as printed.

**MOTION CARRIED:**

Supervisor: Russell Dutcher- Aye  
Councilman: Fred Tilbe- Aye  
Councilman: Scott Convis- Aye  
Councilman: Ed Schutz- Aye

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Joyce Hiler asked the Board about:

1. New signs for the school bus turn around  
Was told to speak to Supervisor of School Bus Garage.
2. Cemetery sign for the driveway to cemetery  
Was told that this had to be done through the County.
3. Wondering what the Grant award was spent on  
Supervisor Dutcher explained that the Grant was awarded to the Bicentennial Committee. She wondered where the money had been spent and was told that the Grant hadn't been received yet.
4. Still looking for some local law enforcement to help with speeders.  
Was told to keep track of what times of day that it is happening and refer to the State Police or the Sheriffs Office. Supervisor Dutcher is will to write a letter to the Under Sheriff.

Dan Shute spoke to the Board about the new Outdoor Furnace Law. He stated that he spoke to Dan Wilbur and NY State considers the heating season to be from September 15- May 31. Wondering why Edmeston limited it to October 1- May 1. Supervisor Dutcher explained that the law was written for the safety and health of Edmeston residents. Mr. Shute asked what he was supposed to do about the fact that his Outdoor Furnace is also his only source of hot water. Supervisor Dutcher stated that although he understands, until there are amendments made to the law, it will have to be followed. Supervisor Dutcher stated that Mr. Shute should contact Clarence Davis because he is the person that will be doing the inspections and permits for the new law.

Tom Madden wondered if the new Open Burn Law would stop him from finishing the removal of the old blacksmith shop that he bought in South Edmeston. He has been slowly removing the old, untreated, lumber and burning off in small piles. He was told that as long as the wood was untreated, he would not be violating the new law.

**SUPERVISORS REPORT:**

1. **Budget:** The Town Board will hold a budget workshop on October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 pm.
2. **Fire District Consolidation:** Les Sittler would like to meet with the Town Board and the Fire Commissioners so that the issues are taking care of all at one time. Supervisor Dutcher is going to arrange the meeting, then get back to the Board.
3. **Legion Hall:** The Board has asked Dale Lund to disconnect the outdoor light at the Legion Building due to the expense considering there is no need for the light to be on continuously.
4. **Justice Account:** The State of New York has changed the payment procedure for the judicial system. Supervisor Dutcher will need to open a new account for the Court. The new process will mean that the Town of Edmeston will be billed quarterly for the revenue collected by the Edmeston Town Court.
5. **Fire Contracts:** The new fire contracts were reviewed by the Board and approved.

