

EDMESTON TOWN BOARD

September 13, 2011 Meeting

Edmeston, NY 13335

The Town of Edmeston Town Board held a Regular Meeting on September 13, 2011 at 7PM at the Edmeston Municipal Building. The following Town Office members were present:

Supervisor: Russell Dutcher

Councilman: Fred Tilbe

Councilman:

David Green

Councilman: Scott Convis

Councilman:

Ed Schutz

Deputy Town Clerk: Jane McGeown

Highway Superintendent:

Dale Lund

Others Present: Kathleen Mechan, Art Klinger, Margaret J. Ross, Richard Wayman, Sylvia Chesebrough

APPROVAL OF 8/9/2011 MEETING MINUTES: The minutes of the 8/9/2011 Town Board meeting minutes were reviewed and corrections provided to the Deputy Town Clerk for correcting.

On a **MOTION BY:** Councilman Dave Green, **SECONDED BY:** Councilman Scott Convis the 8/9/2011 Meeting Minutes were approved with corrections.

MOTION CARRIED : Supervisor: Russell Dutch – Aye

Councilman: Fred Tilbe – Aye

Councilman:

David Green – Aye

Councilman: Scott Convis – Aye

Councilman:

Ed Schutz – Aye

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Art Klinger expressed a sincere thank you from the Edmeston Fire Department to Dale Lund and the Edmeston Highway Department staff for their assistance during Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee. Their assistance greatly helped the Fire Department keep ahead of any problems during the last two storms.

Art also reported that the Fire Department is going to pave the apron of the firehouse early Wednesday morning and would like to request storage of the trucks at the Highway Barn for a few days while this work is being done. The Board discussed and has no issue with this request.

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Town Supervisor reminded Town Board that it is coming into Budget preparation time. More is coming, due at this time.

WATER CD –Supervisor Dutcher wants to take funds out of the Water CD which reinvests the remainder of monies. The amount of the CD is \$50,609.00 and Barney invoice is \$21,380.00 which will leave \$29,229.00 to reinvest.

ON a MOTION BY: Councilman Fred Tilbe, **SECONDED BY:** Councilman Scott Convis approval given to pay \$21, 380 out of the Water CD to Barney Drilling.

MOTION CARRIED: Supervisor Russell Dutcher – Aye

Councilman: Dave Green – Aye

Councilman: Scott Convis - Aye

Councilman: Ed Schutz – Aye

Councilman: Fred Tilbe – Aye

MEDICAL INSURANCE – Town Supervisor would like to call around to find out more information on the different medical plans available. Town Board members were in agreement.

JUDGE’S MONTHLY REPORT – monthly report passed around the Board for review.

FIRE CONTRACTS – There appears to be an error in the 2011 Fire Contracts. It was understood that as of last year 2010 all 3 fire districts (excluding West Edmeston) should be considered one fire district. This does not appear to be the case. A raise in cost from \$9M to \$9.4M in South Edmeston was noted. The Town Supervisor will contact Martin Winsor, Fire Dept. Secretary.

LEGION HALL MEETING: The Public meeting previously planned for September 20, 2011 will be rescheduled to Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at the Edmeston Legion Hall at 7:00 PM.

HIGHWAY DEPT REPORT: Hwy Superintendent reported a problem with truck adjustment. Dale talked to insurance agent and we are covered.

Edmeston lost a culvert on Mott Hill Road during the last storm. New underground pipe ordered, however Town Board wants Dale to contact FEMA to see if it will be covered by them.

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Dale also reported he and Marty Slentz, from Town of Burlington traveled to PA. to check on the roads personally and found roads to be in good shape. The roads are kept in good shape; however there is tremendous traffic on the roadways due to the gas drilling.

Bid Propane for 7 months. Request Town Clerk put a calendar together for timing on all bids and reminds Town Board when they are due.

WATER DEPT REPORT: All is good. One leak still exists which is being worked on.

REPORTS FROM COUNCILMEN:

Fred Tilbe - nothing to report

Dave Green - Carole Westerman, Town Assessor had her computer knocked out of the Internet due to the storm. Dave Green/Town replaced her computer at no cost to the town. The new hours (temporary) were asked to be posted. Dave will follow up w/assessor.

Dave also requested the Town Clerk to remind the Zoning Board of Appeals, Planning Board, and the Water Board to please complete and forward their meeting minutes expeditiously to the Town Clerk so that the minutes can be uploaded to the Town Website.

Scott Convis - nothing to report

Ed Schutz - nothing to report

AUDIT OF CLAIMS: A warrant of \$46,797.73 for claims of vouchers against the General/Highway and Water District funds were presented as Abstract #9-2011:

General/Highway Funds	#242-	\$18,857.48
Water District Funds	#47 -	\$27940.25
TOTAL		\$46,797.73

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ON a MOTION BY: Councilman Fred Tilbe, **SECONDED BY:** Councilman David Green that the Audit of Claims be approved as presented of Abstract #9-2011.

MOTION CARRIED: Supervisor: Russell Dutcher – Aye

Councilman: Fred Tilbe – Aye Councilman: Scott Convis – Aye

Councilman: Dave Green – Aye Councilman: Ed Schutz – Aye

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to be conducted and everyone present having been heard, Supervisor Dutcher adjourned the meeting at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Jane McGeown, Deputy Town Clerk