

**Edwards Town Board Meeting August 14, 2024**  
**Edwards Town Hall, St. Lawrence County, New York**

Meeting recorded

Supervisor Shippee called the Public Hearing to order at 7:00PM Those present were Councilors Dianne Hurley, Michele Robillard, Mark Rice, Jan Lennox, Clerk Debbie Bullock & Highway Superintendent Duane Sykes. Also present were Vicki Day and Carole Hawn from the Library, Kathleen Huber from the Arts Council and Brenda Thornton Town Resident

Highway Matters:

Duane reported on the damage to the roads due to the storm on August 9<sup>th</sup>. We had 12 roads damaged with two roads still closed at the time of this meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS:

A motion was made by Councilor Hurley and seconded by Councilor Rice to approve Procurement Policy and Resolution for 2024. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Rice and seconded by Councilor Robillard to approve scheduling and posting for a Public Hearing on Local Law # 2, 2024 pertaining to overriding the Tax Levy Limit prior to September Board Meeting on September 11, 2024. Adopted: Ayes: 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Hurley and seconded by Councilor Lennox to approve posting an ad that we will be accepting sealed bids for Removal of Trash and Rubbish and for Mowing of Properties in compliance with Local Law #1, 2024. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays: 0

A motion was made by Councilor Lennox and seconded by Councilor Robillard to approve writing a letter of recommendation for Moyer Dog Pound to submit to State Agriculture & Markets for grant for renovations on the dog pound. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0.

A motion was made by Councilor Hurley and seconded by Councilor Rice to approve supporting the Library with Twenty thousand eighty-six dollars and zero cents (\$20,086.00) to cover costs not covered by Grant, if necessary. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Robillard and seconded by Councilor Rice to approve Secretary to the Supervisor Sharee Lanphear's reports for July and July 2024 bank statements. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Lennox and seconded by Councilor Rice to approve Clerk Bullock's clerk report for July and July 2024 bank statements. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Hurley and seconded by Councilor Robillard to approve Clerk Bullock's tax report for July and July bank statements. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Lennox and seconded by Councilor Robillard to approve Town of Edwards Justice Court Reports for July 2024 and July bank statements. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Hurley and seconded by Councilor Rice to accept the July 2024 minutes as presented and dispense of the reading. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Rice and seconded by Councilor Robillard to pay all General Fund abstract #8 of 2024, vouchers #136 - 154. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Lennox and seconded by Councilor Robillard to pay all Highway Fund abstract #8 of 2024, vouchers #104 - 122. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee . Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Rice and seconded by Councilor Robillard to pay all Water District abstract #8 of 2024, vouchers #37 - 41. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Hurley and seconded by Councilor Rice to pay all Sewer District abstract #8 of 2024, vouchers #44 - 48. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0.

#### COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Brenda Thornton would like repairs made to pot holes on the Gaddis Road near her house.

Vicki Day gave an update on the library improvements. Grant is due August 16<sup>th</sup>. The Grant will cover windows, repointing the building, foundation work and replace the very old boiler. LaBella is doing an environmental study.

Vicki asked the Town for support of \$20,08600. This is the library's share not covered by the Grant. This amount could be less depending on the Grant awarded and the results of the environmental study.

A motion was made by Councilor Hurley and seconded by Councilor Rice to approve supporting the library with \$20,086.00 if needed for costs of improvements not covered by a grant. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 PM was presented by Councilor Hurley and seconded by Councilor Rice. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0.

These minutes will not be approved until the next meeting on September 11, 2024.

Submitted by:

Deborah Bullock, Clerk  
August 14, 2024