

Edwards Town Board Meeting November 8, 2023
Edwards Town Hall, St. Lawrence County, New York

Meeting recorded

Supervisor Shippee called the Budget Meeting to order at 7:00PM Those present were Councilors Dianne Hurley, Michele Robillard, Mark Rice, Jan Lennox, Clerk Debbie Bullock, Highway Superintendent Duane Sykes, Sharee Lanphear Budget Officer & Dan Moyer Dog Control.

The Budget Meeting was turned over to Budget Officer Sharee Lanphear.

A Motion to adjourn Public Hearing for the Budget at 7:15PM was made by Councilor Lennox and seconded by Councilor Rice Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

Supervisor Shippee called the regular Board Meeting to order at 7:15PM

A motion to approve the Town of Edwards 2024 Budget was made by Councilor Lennox and seconded by Councilor Rice. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee Nays 0

Highway Matters:

A motion to accept an estimate from Brooks Washburn for plans for construction of the pavilion to be built near the playground was made by Councilor Rice and seconded by Councilor Robillard Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee Nays 0

The box was taken off of the 2010 box truck and to be replaced with a new box from Viking.

A motion was made by Councilor Lennox and seconded by Councilor Rice to list the old box on Auctions International. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

Eddie Mackin begins December 1st for seasonal work.

A motion was made by Councilor Robillard and seconded by Councilor Lennox to approve Resolution for Highway Fund Sales Tax Revenue and Expenditures. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee

A motion was made by Councilor Lennox and seconded by Councilor Rice to approve New York Power Authority Highway Revenue. NYPA paid the Town of Edwards two hundred forty-six thousand three hundred ninety-one dollars and six cents (\$246,391.06) on 9/8/2023 for use of Town Roads during construction of the new power lines. The Highway Department borrowed one hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$170,000.00) from the Water District. The money was repaid to the Water District on 10/6/2023. The balance is seventy-six thousand three hundred ninety-one dollars and six cents (\$76,391.06). Seventy-six thousand three hundred ninety-one dollars and six cents (\$76,391.06) to be credited to DA5112.4 Permanent improvements. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Robillard and seconded by Councilor Rice to approve Town of Edwards Budget Modification Request & Resolution Highway DA5130.4 Machinery \$17,626.08-\$1,523.96=\$16,102.12 to DA5140.4 Misc. -\$78.76+\$1,523.96=0 to balance. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Hurley and seconded by Councilor Lennox to approve Town of Edwards Budget Modification request and Resolution Highway DA 9730.7 Interest \$4,700.00-\$4,700.00=0 to DA5140.2 Equipment \$3,000.00+\$4,700.00=\$7,700.00 Transfer for Truck box. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

MISCELLANEOUS:

A motion was made by Councilor Hurley and seconded by Councilor Robillard to approve Town of Edwards Budget Modification Request & Resolution General Fund A1990.4 Contingency \$25,371.37-\$300.00=\$25,071.37 to A3510.4 Dog Control \$600.00+\$300.00=\$900.00 to balance. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Hurley and seconded by Councilor Rice to approve Resolution for unpaid Water and Sewer Bills. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Rice and seconded by Councilor Robillard to approve a one-time fee of \$1,500.00 to the Gouverneur Pound, Contingent upon proof of securing a Grant. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Rice and seconded by Councilor Lennox to approve Secretary to the Supervisor Sharee Lanphear's reports for October 2023 and October 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 approve Clerk Bullock's clerk report for October and October 2023 bank statements. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Robillard and seconded by Councilor Rice to approve Clerk Bullock's tax report for October and no October bank statements. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Hurley and seconded by Councilor Lennox to approve Town of Edwards Justice Court Reports for October 2023 and October 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 accept the October 2023 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 #11 of 2023, vouchers #465-483. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Hurley and seconded by Councilor Lennox to pay all Highway Fund abstract #11 of 2023, vouchers #800-818. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Lennox and seconded by Councilor Rice to pay all Water District abstract #11 of 2023, vouchers #61-66. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Robillard and seconded by Councilor Rice to pay all Sewer District abstract #11 of 2023, vouchers #74-79. Adopted: Ayes 5 Hurley, Robillard, Rice, Lennox & Shippee. Nays 0.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:13PM was presented by Councilor Lennox 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 December 13, 2023.

Submitted by:

Deborah Bullock, Clerk
November 8, 2023