

Edwards Town Board Meeting August 12, 2026
Edwards Town Hall, St. Lawrence County, New York

Meeting Not recorded

Supervisor Lennox called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Those present were Councilors Michele Robillard, Michael Webb, Vernon Fuller, Jon Gibson & Highway Superintendent Duane Sykes. Also, present was C.E.O. Larry Atkinson, Library Secretary Carole Hawn, Justice Fred Finley, and Town Residents Phil Soper, and Jillian & Ray Soden

HIGHWAY MATTERS:

Paving was done on the Gaddis Road with the help from the Towns of Fine, Fowler, Gouverneur, Russell and Hemon. Shoulders still need to be complete.

The Town needs to purchase a new tractor and brush hog.

A motion was made by Councilor Fuller and seconded by Councilor Robillard to approve placing a purchase order for a New Holland tractor with Brush Hog & broom for One hundred thirty-seven thousand dollars and zero cents (\$137,000.00) with letter of intent for next meeting. Adopted: Ayes 5 Robillard, Webb, Fuller, Gibson & Lennox Nays 0

Sewer Budget needs to be raised due to high electrical costs.

A motion was made by Councilor Webb and seconded by Councilor Gibson to approve Resolution for Highway CHIPS Revenue and Expenditures. Adopted: Ayes 5 Robillard, Webb, Fuller, Gibson & Lennox

Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Robillard and seconded by Councilor Fuller to approve Budget Modification Request & Resolution DA909 Unreserved Balance $\$340,211.00 - \$50,000.00 = \$290,211.00$ transfer to DA5142.4 Snow $\$-7372.80 + \$50,000.00 = \$42,627.20$ to balance. Adopted: Ayes 5 Robillard, Webb, Fuller, Gibson & Lennox Nays 0

MISCELLANEOUS:

A motion was made by Councilor Webb and seconded by Councilor Fuller to approve the Hepburn Library of Edwards Board of Trustees Awarding Bid and Resolution for Library Renovations to Continental Construction, amount not to exceed \$346,946.00. Adopted: Ayes 5 Robillard, Webb, Fuller, Gibson & Lennox Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Fuller and seconded by Councilor Webb to approve purchase of land from Bill Hawn in the amount of \$1.00 plus free water as long Bill Hawn owns the property Jim's Auto is located on. Adopted: Ayes 5 Robillard, Webb, Fuller, Gibson & Lennox Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Robillard and seconded by Councilor Gibson to accept the resignation of Nancy Whitford from the Town Planning Board. Adopted: Ayes 5 Robillard, Webb, Fuller, Gibson & Lennox Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Webb and seconded by Councilor Gibson to approve adopting the New York State Association of Towns Bill of Rights. Adopted: Ayes 5 Robillard, Webb, Fuller, Gibson & Lennox Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Robillard and seconded by Councilor Fuller to pay Sharee Lanphear and Duane Sykes \$200.00/month each when they retire. Adopted: Ayes 5 Robillard, Webb, Fuller, Gibson & Lennox

A motion was made by Councilor Robillard and seconded by Councilor Fuller to approve Secretary to the Supervisor Sharee Lanphear's reports for July 2026 and July bank statements. Adopted: Ayes 5 Robillard, Webb, Fuller, Gibson & Lennox Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Fuller and seconded by Councilor Webb to approve Clerk Bullock's clerk report for July 2026 and July bank statements. Adopted: Ayes 5 Robillard, Webb, Fuller, Gibson & Lennox Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Webb and seconded by Councilor Robillard to approve Clerk Bullock's tax report for July 2026 and July bank statements. Adopted: Ayes 5 Robillard, Webb, Fuller, Gibson & Lennox Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Gibson and seconded by Councilor Fuller to approve Town of Edwards Justice Court Reports for July 2026 and July bank statements. Adopted: Ayes: 5 Robillard, Webb, Fuller, Gibson & Lennox Nays: 0

A motion was made by Councilor Webb and seconded by Councilor Fuller to accept the July 2026 minutes and dispense of the reading. Adopted: Ayes 5 Robillard, Webb, Fuller, Gibson & Lennox Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Fuller and seconded by Councilor Webb to pay all General Fund abstract #8 of 2026, vouchers #142 - 162. Adopted: Ayes 5 Robillard, Webb, Fuller, Gibson & Lennox. Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Gibson and seconded by Councilor Robillard to pay all Highway Fund abstract #8 of 2026, vouchers #94 - 109. Adopted: Ayes 5 Robillard, Webb, Fuller, Gibson & Lennox Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Webb and seconded by Councilor Robillard to pay all Water District abstract #8 of 2026, vouchers #95 - 100. Adopted: Ayes 5 Robillard, Webb, Fuller, Gibson & Lennox Nays 0

A motion was made by Councilor Fuller and seconded by Councilor Robillard to pay all Sewer District

abstract #8 of 2026, vouchers #44 - 48. Adopted: Ayes 5 Robillard, Webb, Fuller, Gibson & Lennox
Nays 0.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Phil Soper questioned when Island Street might be paved as it is rough.

Phil also questioned the raising of the Fire Budget.

Soden's have noise complaints because of the Wedding venue next door, Jan and Larry will go visit the owners and suggest they add a curfew time to their lease.

These minutes will not be approved until the next meeting on September 9, 2026.

Submitted by:
Deborah Bullock, Clerk
August 12, 2026