

Edinburg Town Board Minutes
January 16, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The Town Board meeting of the Edinburg Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Anderson at 6:00 pm. The Board began reviewing the vouchers and abstracts and the Supervisor started the meeting at 6:30

PRESENT: Supervisor Anderson, Town Board Members Edwards, Evans, Greco and Penino

ALSO PRESENT: Youth and Aging Representative, D. Houlihan, Ms. Houlihan significant other, G. Bedell Jr., Solid Waste Coordinator, Olmstead, Highway Superintendent Seelow, D. Greco and Town Clerk Ferguson

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 19, 2024 MINUTES

MOTION TO APPROVE: TOWN BOARD MEMBER PENINO, SECONDED: TOWN BOARD MEMBER EVANS. ALL IN FAVOR, AYE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

D. Houlihan would like come and speak at the April Town Board meeting concerning the different programs that are available to seniors and youth through the County Saratoga in the meantime she would like something put into the Edinburg Newsletter reaching out to people concerning what services they would like. She suggested they contact the Town Hall with this information.

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

The reports and correspondence files are on the main table for viewing.

Reports

Saratoga County Monthly Reports

Mortgage Tax Receipts-

Sales Tax Distribution – Dec,

Mortgage Tax Distribution –

Town Officials Monthly Reports

Building Inspector – Nov. and Dec.

Dog Control Officer –

Highway Superintendent's Diesel and Gasoline Inventory – 12/31/24

Highway Department- **Road Mileage - NYSDOT**

Justice – Dec.

Supervisor's Financial Reports - Highway and General -

Town Clerk – Dec.

Other Reports

Tri-Party Collateral Agreement – 12/16,23 and 31

Tri-Party Collateral Agreement Deposit Info – Dec.

Weekly Maintenance Report of Garbage Truck -

Resident Permit -12/13,14,28 and 1/4/25 Also Extra Cash Receipt \$30.00

Correspondence

Association of Town's Annual Meeting February

Town Board December Minutes

Squarespace Forms and Answers

Letter to Mirabito Acknowledging They Have the Bid for 2025

Edinburg Planning Board Decision – Austin/Schulitz

Edinburg Zoning Board of Appeals Decisions – Robert and Christi Day, Brendon and Lindsey Fitzgerald, William Ebert

Rural Future Winter 2025

Letter to Douglas Sterling

SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS

Supervisor Anderson told the Board he has two resolutions. One is concerning the town wide burn permit.

Town Wide Burn Permit**R 25**

NYS DEC has sent a town wide burn permit for the Town of Edinburg, this allows the residents to burn once they have signed their name into a book, received the instructions and contacted the fire company. This has been done up at Fuller's Corner Store in the past but they no longer are willing to do it. Supervisor Anderson said that the Town of Edinburg would be willing to resume this practice but only during the regular business hours of the Town Hall. The Board agreed to this. The ranger will be contacted concerning this and hopefully it will begin in 2025. A resolution will follow.

2022 Snowmobile Grant – County Grant**R 26**

Supervisor Anderson said he was contacted by J. Kemper from Sara. Co. they will be sending a check in the amount of \$20,000.00 to the Town of Edinburg that will need to be sent to the Saratoga Snowmobile Club. Both the Town of Edinburg and the Town of Providence agreed to this, it is the final grant that needs to be taken care of. Supervisor Anderson needs a resolution allowing him to write a check for \$20,000.00 to the Saratoga Snowmobile Club for both the Towns of Edinburg and Providence grant portions, \$10,000.00 each once the money is received and deposited in the Town of Edinburg. A resolution will follow.

Audit of Claims**R 27**

General Vouchers # 1 - # 24 in the amount of \$17,736.93

Highway Vouchers # 1 - # 13 in the amount of \$98,249.96

Capital Project Voucher # 1 in the amount of \$143,637.50

The Town Board reviewed the vouchers, Town Board Evans found a problem with two vouchers and they were taken care of. They also reviewed the abstracts and directed the bills be paid. A resolution will follow.

Informational Items of the Supervisor**Association of Towns Annual Conference**

The Clerk told the Town Board the annual conference in NYS will take place Feb. 16th and will end on Feb. 19th. Anyone that would like to go should let her know.

Website, Problems

Supervisor Anderson told the Board there are many problems with the new website. It is a Squarespace site which is set up for businesses, not government. Supervisor Anderson has spoken to M. Stewart who already sets up sites for other towns, he has given Supervisor Anderson the cost for a website to be managed by him. Further discussion ensued. M. Stewart will look at the website the town has now that was purchased under a grant, possibly the entity that put together this site could change it or reimburse the town money on it.

Tax Monies, Tax Collector

Supervisor Anderson has received a check in the amount of \$367,980.04 from the Tax Collector this is monies she has collected for the 2025 town and county tax.

Attorney for the Town

M. Schachner from Miller, Mannix, Schachner and Hafner LLC has agreed to be the council for the Town of Edinburg. He stated he will not be attending every meeting, but will be here if needed. He also said Attorney Miller will probably be who the town will be dealing with more than him. The firm charges \$260.00 per hour. You can call and as long as it is not a long call they will not charge. Highway Superintendent Seelow wanted to know if he could call him. Attorney Schachner feels the amount that was budgeted for the council will be fine.

Building Inspector

M. Stewart will stay in the position of Building Inspector until the Town hires a new CEO/Building Inspector. He will help the next person to get acclimated in the position. Supervisor Anderson told the Board that they may have to consider hiring one-person full time and a second person part time to handle the building permits and the code enforcement with the new legislation that is coming about concerning Air B and B's and VRBO's.

OTHER OFFICIAL'S REPORTS

The Assessor, Building Inspector, DCO and Historian are not present tonight.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Highway Superintendent Seelow told the Board he will be submitting his bills to them differently as was explained to him by the auditor. If he should have any major purchases there will also be contracts submitted with them, they will come from the County or OGS. The skid steer has arrived. He told Ms. Houlihan the Highway Department will fix her front lawn in the spring; he knows that it was damaged.

Radios, Highway Department

Highway Superintendent Seelow asked the Board if he could purchase four portable radios for the Highway employees. At the present time he is using the Town of Providences 800 radios. The price to purchase four radios and mikes will be \$1200.00 they would be purchased from the same supplier as were the other radios. Town Board Member Penino told Highway Superintendent Seelow he will need to attach the estimate to the voucher with the amount of purchase. Further discussion ensued pertaining to the purchasing policy, being that Highway Super. Seelow will be the purchaser he does not have to get an ok from the Board. Town Board Member Greco stated to make a note of this purchase.

Salt Purchase

Highway Superintendent Seelow told the Board with the cold weather that is forecasted for this area to treat the roads using the new winter program it takes 4 to 5 lbs. of salt per lane. Highway Superintendent Seelow would like to purchase treated salt that works at minus 16 degrees below zero. The road temperature right now is 9 degrees. He figures if he purchased three tandem loads it will take the Highway Department through this year. At this point in time the Town's salt bill is down. Highway Superintendent Seelow spoke about the next salt summit and how pictures of Edinburg's salt system are going to be shown there. He also spoke about the County Public Works, he said they need to educate the drivers and themselves about the salt usage. The County purchases 12 to 14 hundred tons of salt and they are down to less than 500 tons.

SOLID WASTE COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Garbage Tonnage, 2024

Solid Waste Coordinator Olmstead reported to the Board 665.67 tons of garbage was collected for the 2024 year.

Recycle Center Overhead Doors

SWC, Olmstead reported to the Board he got a quote from Colonial Overhead Doors to service the doors at the Center, it came in at \$900.00. He did not get a second quote because Colonial installed the doors.

Solar Project

On Friday, January 17 both SWC Olmstead and R. Schmidt will be meeting pertaining to the solar projects and getting the bid specifications out in the newspaper. They will come up with a completion deadline and when the bids will be opened. They will review everything one more time, both the Town's insurance Company and MB Walsh the Town's previous attorney have looked over the bid specifications.

100 lb., Propane Tanks

Supervisor Anderson asked SWC Olmstead if he had informed the public about the Town no longer accepting 100-pound propane tanks at the Center. SWC Olmstead admitted that he had not done so yet but confirmed that the Center would continue to accept small propane tanks.

Fire Extinguishers

SWC Olmstead told the Board the Town will not be able to take fire extinguishers anymore either. Supervisor Anderson asked what are people supposed to do with them? Supervisor Anderson said they will put something in the March Newsletter concerning the 100 lb. propane tanks and the fire extinguishers. Further discussion ensued pertaining to reaching out to see if there is some place that will take these items. SWC Olmstead said he will contact the Saratoga County Department of Public Works to see if they have any idea if there is anywhere, they can be dropped off at.

Tire's Recycle and Reuse Center

SWC Olmstead contacted the contractor that picks up the tires. They are putting the Town of Edinburg on their list to pick up the tires. As of right now the tire shed is completely full. The company will contact SWC Olmstead to let him know when they will be coming. Town Board Member Evans asked if he was given a price, he is curious as to what it is. SWC Olmstead said no.

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

Town Board Member Greco has given M. Stewart, Building Inspector information concerning the Zoning Ordinance. He is hopeful M. Stewart will look it over soon and come back with some ideas.

RESOLUTIONS # 25 - # 27

MOTION MADE TO ADOPT RESOLUTIONS # 25 - # 27 MADE BY TOWN BOARD MEMBER PENINO, SECONDED BY TOWN BOARD MEMBER GRECO, ALL IN FAVOR, AYE

Town Board Member Evans had questions as to the bill for Sage. Town Clerk Ferguson told him the total amount was \$100.00 more because this would allow the bookkeeper to get instruction if she was so inclined. Town Board Member Evans was ok with it, he also found two extra heating bills that needed to be added to the Mirabito billing.

ADJOURN 7:12 PM

MOTION MADE BY TOWN BOARD MEMBER GRECO, SECONDED BY TOWN BOARD MEMBER EVANS.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Ferguson
Town Clerk

RES. # 25-25

1/16/25

Motion: Town Board Member Penino

Second: Town Board Greco

TOWN WIDE BURN PERMIT

WHEREAS, the Town of Edinburg has received the Town wide burn permit from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, and

WHEREAS, the instructions and a sign in book was placed a Fuller's Corner Store in the past, and

WHEREAS, they have indicated they are no longer willing to do this, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Edinburg would like to supply this for their residents, and

WHEREAS, the Town will supply this service to the residents of Edinburg during the regular business hours the Town Hall is open.

Roll Call:

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| Supervisor Anderson | Aye |
| Town Board Member Edwards | Aye |
| Town Board Member Evans | Aye |
| Town Board Member Greco | Aye |
| Town Board Member Penino | Aye |

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto subscribed my name on January 16, 2025.

Denise Ferguson, Town Clerk

Motion: Town Board Member Penino

Second: Town Board Member Greco

2022 SNOWMOBILE GRANT – COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Town of Edinburg and the Town of Providence entered into a pass-through grant for the 2022 year which was to be sent to the Saratoga Snowmobile Club, and

WHEREAS, each town's grant is in the amount of \$10,000.00 from Saratoga County, and

WHEREAS, the check from the County of Saratoga will be in the amount of \$20,000.00, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Providence has given the approval for the pass-through grant to be paid out by the Town of Edinburg, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Supervisor will send a check out to the Saratoga Snowmobile Club once the funds are received by Saratoga County.

Roll Call:

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| Supervisor Anderson | Aye |
| Town Board Member Edwards | Aye |
| Town Board Member Evans | Aye |
| Town Board Member Greco | Aye |
| Town Board Member Penino | Aye |

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RES. # 27-25

01/16/25

Motion: Town Board Member Penino

Second: Town Board Member Greco

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

WHEREAS, the Town Board holds a monthly meeting each month, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Edinburg incurs bills in the general day to day operations of the town, and

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk presents the claims to the Board at the monthly meeting in the form of vouchers and abstracts, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that upon audit of the Edinburg Town Board the Clerk shall be directed to pay the following claims.

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