

# EDINBURG TOWN BOARD MINUTES

June 2, 2024

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### **FITZGERALD HARDSHIP REQUEST**

4:05 PM – Supervisor Raymond called to order public hearing at the Edinburg Town Hall concerning the Fitzgerald Hardship request

#### **PRESENT:**

Supervisor Raymond, Town Board Members, Evans, Greco and Penino, Town Board Member Edwards, Not Present, Attorney Walsh  
**ALSO PRESENT:** Fitzgerald Family, Hassell- Zlotnick Families, T. Merrell, Town Clerk D. Ferguson

### **DISPENSING WITH THE READING OF THE PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### **MOTION TO DISPENSE WITH READING THE THREE PUBLIC HEARING**

#### **NOTICES**

**MOTION: TOWN BOARD MEMBER PENINO, SECONDED: TOWN BOARD MEMBER GRECO, ALL IN FAVOR**

Supervisor Raymond told all present the public hearing notices are on the table for inspection if they wished to do so.

Supervisor Raymond told the Board this public hearing was for the Board to review the Fitzgerald Hardship request and to make a decision. If anyone from the public wished to speak there will be a time set during the regular town board meeting to follow. Supervisor Raymond declared the public hearing closed.

### **HASSELL FAMILY TRUST HARDSHIP REQUEST**

**4:07 PM PUBLIC HEARING** – Supervisor Raymond called to order a public hearing at the Edinburg Town Hall concerning the:

#### **Hassell Family Trust Hardship.**

**PRESENT:** Town Board same as above, **ALSO PRESENT:** same as above

Mrs. D. Zlotnick spoke to the Board about their request for a hardship. She explained her father had built their family camp on two separate lots; both she and her brother now have two camps on the lots, but, they would like to make a boundary line adjustment so that they can each have a separate lot. They will be using one driveway and will put an easement in for that, if the boundary line adjustment is approved. It was noted that if they do move that boundary it will be in the middle of the two lots. It was told to Mrs. Zlotnick if their request is approved by the Town Board they would then have to apply for a building permit that will be denied and then will have to go on to either the Planning or Zoning Board for their review of the proposed hardship. Town Board Member Evans asked if each lot had a septic and well, he did not get a response. Supervisor Raymond declared the public hearing closed.

**4:20 PM PUBLIC HEARING** – Supervisor Raymond called to order the third public hearing to order at the Edinburg Town Hall concerning:

### **Proposed Local Law #2 of the Town of Edinburg to Increase Allowable Income and Grant Partial Tax Exemptions to Persons 65 Years of Age or Over Who Qualify**

**PRESENT:** Town Board same as above, **ALSO PRESENT:** same as above

Supervisor Raymond explained this was previously done at the County of Saratoga, Assessor Beckering is requesting the Town of Edinburg adopt the sliding scale for qualifying seniors in Edinburg also. Assessor Beckering stated to Attorney Walsh he has looked over the proposed law and he believes that the amount of time a resident needs to own their home is one year not five. Attorney Walsh will look into this further and get back to him. Supervisor Raymond declared the public hearing closed.

**CALL TO ORDER REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING 4:20 PM**

**PRESENT: TOWN BOARD**, same as above **ALSO PRESENT: same**

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**APPROVAL OF THE MAY 16, 2024 MINUTES**

**MOTION TO APPROVE: TOWN BOARD MEMBER EVANS**

**SECONDED: TOWN BOARD MEMBER PENINO, ANY DISCUSSION, NAY, ALL IN FAVOR, AYE**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Supervisor Raymond asked if anyone from the public would like to speak at this time. No one responded.

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS, ACTION AND INFORMATIONAL CEMETERY RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Supervisor Raymond told the Board they have all been given an update of possible changes to the cemetery rules and regulations. She would like them to look them over and come back with any other ideas they may have.

**RESOLUTIONS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD**

**Greenwood Industries, Contract Amendment** ® 52

Supervisor Raymond told the Board an amendment will need to be made concerning the amount to be paid to Greenwood Industries for the installation of the additional sheets of plywood they had to replace on the roof. (note a resolution was passed last month, but, an amount was not given at that time.) The amount of the amendment will be \$1985.60.

**Trust Money, Cemetery** ® 53

Supervisor Raymond told the Town of Edinburg has received money from a trust fund in the amount of \$26,390.94. The \$26,390.94 has been put into the Cemetery Trust Capital Expenses.

**2024 Budget, Expenditures, Building Department** ® 54

Supervisor Raymond told the Board a resolution will be needed to amend the current budget for the purpose of paying the current contract employee in the building department. She will be moving money from 3620.4001 to 3620.4004 to allow for this.

**Court Administration, Grant Funds** ® 55

Supervisor Raymond told the Board she will need to amend the Justice Court portion of the 2024 budget by \$3750.35 to allow for the grant funding that was received.

**Greenwood Industries, Roof Completed** ® 56

Supervisor Raymond told the Board Greenwood Industries has completed the roof project, they will be paid in full.

**Hardship Requests Determination**

Supervisor Raymond told the Board they must act on the two hardship requests that came before them tonight. Town Board Member Greco asked to have more time to look them over.

Supervisor Raymond said yes, they have up to 30 days to review. She also stated that the Board can have a special meeting if needed. No decision was made at this time.

**Senior Tax Exemption** ® 57

Supervisor Raymond told the Board they will need to move on the proposed Local Law # 2 of 2024. The Board was in agreement this was a necessary law to pass.

**MOTION TO ADOPT LOCAL LAW # 2 OF 2024**

**MOTION: TOWN BOARD MEMBER EVANS, SECONDED: TOWN BOARD MEMBER PENINO**

**AUDIT OF CLAIMS**

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General Vouchers # 115 - # 136 in the amount of \$24,869.53

Highway Vouchers # 80 - # 90 in the amount of \$385,784.42

The Town Board reviewed the vouchers, signed the abstracts and directed the bills be paid.

**Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Position**

The Attorney and Supervisor Raymond spoke about the proposed local law and the primary dwelling time frame. They also spoke about the Building Inspector position. At this point in time the Town has received one application, but, he has not taken any courses. The Town Board hopes to get an ad out in the newspaper within the next week. Attorney Walsh explained to the Board if they wished to hire two people, one for building inspections and one for code enforcement the only way they could be hired is you have to take someone who has taken the civil service test because it would be considered a full-time position. If you hire for part-time the applicant does not have to take the civil service test. At this point in time B. Decker will be here until the end of July both Supervisor Raymond and Attorney Walsh have been working to provide different options for this position. Further discussion ensued as to the hiring of a new inspector and code enforcer.

**Zoning Ordinance Meeting, June 11<sup>th</sup>**

Attorney Walsh spoke about the first meeting between CT Male, herself and the Planning and Zoning Board members that were able to attend. She stated they looked over the code provisions and what they need to do next is set up another meeting quickly. The next will be a meeting between CT Male and interested persons. Attorney Walsh stated to the Board that they will need to extend the moratorium, this can be done at the next meeting in July if they feel it should be extended. The Supervisor, Attorney and the Town Board stated the ordinance changes will have to go before the Adirondack Park Agency and Saratoga County once they are finished with it. There will also need to be additional public hearings held so this will take more than another month to finalize.

**OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORTS**

Assessor, Highway Superintendent, Historian and Solid Waste Coordinator are not present.

Assessor Beckering spoke during the public hearing concerning the local law, both Highway Superintendent Seelow and SWC Olmstead were called away for a fire. Supervisor Raymond said that the Board will need a resolution to sell both of the trucks tonight also.

**Selling The 1500 RAM AND THE 3500 RAM**

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Highway Superintendent Seelow gave Town Clerk Ferguson the two amounts he had received through Auctions International for the trucks that were put on. The Ram 1500 went for \$18,600.00 and the Ram 3500 went for \$26,600.00

**Solar Grant**

Supervisor Raymond spoke said that she has contacted CT Male to look over the specifications that R. Schmitt put together for the solar grant. B. Decker had to leave early on Tuesday, so the information did not get taken to CT Male, but, Supervisor Raymond will make sure they get it. Town Board Member Penino added both J. Olmstead and R. Schmitt are both anxious this material gets to CT Male.

**OLD BUSINESS/ NEW BUSINESS**

Supervisor Raymond asked if there was any old or new business to come before the Board at this time. There was none.

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS # 52 - # 59 EXCLUDING RESOLUTION # 57 ACTION  
TAKEN EARLIER.**

**MOTION: TOWN BOARD MEMBER GRECO, SECONDED: TOWN BOARD  
MEMBER PENINO, ALL IN FAVOR, AYE, THE RESOLUTIONS ARE ADOPTED**

Supervisor Raymond asked for a motion to adjourn

**ADJOURN 4:50 PM**

**MOTION: TOWN BOARD MEMBER EVANS, SECONDED: TOWN BOARD MEMBER  
GRECO**

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Ferguson  
Town Clerk