Edinburg Town Board

October 9, 2025 Special Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

<u>PRESENT</u>: Supervisor Anderson, Town Board Members Edwards, Evans, Greco and Penino

<u>ALSO PRESENT</u>: D. Greco, J and T Blydenburg, D and B Novotny, Highway Superintendent Seelow, Solid Waste Coordinator, Olmstead, Town Clerk Ferguson <u>SALUTE TO THE FLAG</u>

WORK SHOP SESSION 2025 BUDGET

Supervisor Anderson told the Board and all present the reason for this meeting was to begin working on the 2025 Tentative Budget and for any other business that may come before the Board. He addressed all the were present. Supervisor Anderson does not have a budget at this time, but he has been working diligently to put one together. He has been in touch with the County of Saratoga's Administrator's Office and J. Kemper will be here on Friday or Monday to see what they can help with. At this point in time Supervisor Anderson has a full file of Supervisor Raymond's notes and the Department Heads requests for the 2025 budget. He said that at this time he is missing some information to be able to fill in the 2025 budget. Supervisor Anderson said there are a number of things that are going to be a factor in the budget, health insurance is going up to 13.9%, he would like to have time to speak with the Highway Superintendent and the Solid Waste Coordinator concerning this. He is going to be taking the following years information to DeLorenzo and Associates, 2021, 22, 23 and what he has of 24. Supervisor Anderson said he has been putting numbers together based on the 2024 budget. Supervisor Anderson spoke about DeLorenzo and Associates doing payroll and retirement for the town as well as the bookkeeping. One of the main matters that he has to try to work on is the Code Enforcement/Building Inspector's position and the pay it will take to hire a full time employee for that position. At this point in time he has been speaking with M. Stewart who is an interim CEO and BI concerning the amount of pay that may be needed, he said you could start at \$55,000 to \$60,000 plus benefits; at that wage you still may not get anyone to fill the position. Another position that will need to be filled will be the attorney's position. Attorney Walsh is under contract for \$19,284.00. Supervisor Anderson also spoke about the software he has been shown it would make the budget process easier to do. Right now he has to be able to get into the State Comptrollers site to use the budget software. Supervisor Anderson said he would like to stay under the 2% tax cap. Supervisor Anderson said everyone who was at the 4 Town Rally was very helpful and will try to help in any way they can.

Town Board Member Evans told Highway Superintendent Seelow he would like to look at comps from other towns and understand what they are doing to be fair and equitable. Discussion ensued as to the amount of money that was spent in 2023 and what was reimbursed to the Town. Supervisor Anderson hit on the subject of some areas that are not going to change and some that are changing quite a bit. They are probably going to have to fix the rams on the old garbage truck in order to use it for recycling, this is something that has to be looked at also. Town Board

Member Evans added he would like to have a good place to work. Supervisor Anderson talked about the Highway portion of the budget and what has been budgeted in the 2024 budget. Town Board Member Greco said that new computers are needed at this time. They are looking to purchase 4 to 5 new computers along with software and a new telephone system is needed for the Town Hall. The Towns IT person is working on getting information to Supervisor Anderson as we speak. He is also looking into getting cameras set up for the buildings. Supervisor Anderson said he has been working on all of this and he is also working on a putting a fair budget together. Supervisor Anderson told the Board many of the department heads have not asked for anything. He said the emergency squad has asked for another \$10,000.00 for this year. Supervisor Anderson then proceeded to go through the 2024 budget line by line and explained what each portion of the budget meant. He hit on the subject of tipping fees with Fulton County. He further went on and discussed what he would like to see in the budget. Highway Superintendent Seelow asked if the Board could put the actual amount per thousand the residents have to pay toward the highway tax instead of the percentage. The Board spoke about going up on the reserve amounts. They also spoke about the idea in the future of having to get out of the garbage service. In the end Supervisor Anderson told all present this Board has to do what is in the best interest for the people in Edinburg. He will try to get a responsible budget together.

OTHER BUSINESS

Adoption of Resolution # 78-24 Moving the Town Board meeting to 6:00 pm MOTION TO ADOPT: TOWN BOARD MEMBER EVANS, SECONDED: TOWN BOARD MEMBER PENINO, ALL IN FAVOR, AYE

Supervisor Anderson would like to continue this meeting on Wednesday, October 16, 2024 at 6:00 pm if everyone is ok with that. The Board was

MOTION TO RECONVIENE ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2024 AT 6:00 PM MOTION: TOWN BOARD MEMBER EDWARDS SECONDED: TOWN BOARD MEMBER EVANS, ALL IN FAVOR, AYE

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Ferguson Town Clerk