EDMORE VILLAGE COUNCIL BUDGET WORK SESSION APPROVED JOURNAL OF MINUTES January 27, 2021

- 1. **CALL TO ORDER**: The budget work session of the Village of Edmore Council was called to order on Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at 6:12 p.m. by **President Gloria Burr**.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- ROLL CALL: Members present Colburn, Green, Griswold, Guild, Moore, Rasmussen, Burr. Also present: Justin Lakamper – Village Manager, Shirley Drain – Village Treasurer, Kerri Peterson – Village Clerk.
- 4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: None.
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS: AGENDA ITEMS: None.
- 6. WORK SESSION: DRAFT BUDGET: Discussion was heard on various parts of the draft budget for 2021. Lakamper recapped what the budget included. General Fund: Revenue: GF comes from two millages levied on residents. One for property tax at a rate of 10.9287 mills and one for rubbish at a rate of 2.2520 mills. Drain wanted to make it clear that this millage supports the budget that we are adopting. The State wants to know that we adopted a budget that will support everything. Lakamper went on with Expenditures. Drain commented that in her opinion, the Personnel Committee's decision to not give any raises this year is a poor move on the Village's part and that wage increases are built into the budget and our budget can support some kind of a token raise. Lakamper went on to discuss Major Streets: Revenue and Expenditures, and Local Streets: Revenue and Expenditures. Both road funds are quite healthy. Green asked about sidewalks on the west side of 1st Street, as there are none. Lakamper resumed with the Economic Development Fund, and the DDA Fund: Revenue and Expenditures. Drain made the comment that the DDA Fund is called the DDA Construction Fund and it's actually not construction at all. We need to try to get the building out of the construction fund and maybe have it on it's own, leaving the DDA as only the Downtown Development Association. Lakamper went on to discuss the Sewer Fund: Revenue and Expenditures, and the Water Fund: Revenue and Expenditures. Some discussion took place regarding the DMSI and the lead and copper rule, and also well rehab. The next item was Heavy Equipment Pool: Revenue and Expenditures: Discussion took place on whether or not the DPW needed a new truck. The conditions, safety concerns, and use of each current vehicle was discussed. Drain was not in favor of buying a new truck right now. If they could wait until later in the year, it would really help the budget. Burr agreed with Drain that we don't need a new truck right now. Discussion also ensued about changing the water/sewer bill to every 3 months versus every month. Also some discussion took place about office personnel.
- 7. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.
- 8. COUNCIL COMMENTS: None.
- 9. **ADJOURNMENT: President Burr** adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Village President

Village Clerk

Approved for Publication

NEXT MEETING: February 08, 2021

As a side note: This meeting was held in person and virtually via Zoom as a convenience due to COVID-19 restrictions.