

**EDMORE VILLAGE COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
UNAPPROVED JOURNAL OF MINUTES
February 13, 2026**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The special meeting of the Village of Edmore Council was called to order on Friday, February 13, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. by **Pro Tem Tom Colburn**.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL:** Members present – **Colburn, Griswold, Guild, McParland**. Absent – **Kanine, Moore, Pierce**. Also present: **Mark Borden** – Village Manager, **Kerri Peterson** – Village Clerk
4. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** **McParland moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Griswold. VOICE VOTE: ALL YES: MOTION PASSED 4-0.**
5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS: AGENDA ITEMS:** None.
6. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. **DISCUSS LEGAL OPTIONS FOR LEGAL ACTION AGAINST THE VILLAGE:** **Colburn** addressed the council stating he spoke to our attorney about getting a clean disposition from the court on the entire railroad property. Mr. Clark has no legal claim to the property. He has no proof of ownership, nor does anyone else and no taxes are paid on the property. His only recourse is adverse possession. In 2016, laws changed making it virtually impossible to have adverse possession against a municipality. There would have to be a grandfather clause which includes 15 years of utilizing the property uncontested. Mr. Clark did not state specific dates. If we go to court and win, we are back to where we were. Now it can happen again. The attorney is recommending we countersue to remove his stuff from the property. It will also dissuade people from doing this again. Nobody can find who actually owns the property. Some discussion took place about cost to try to convince Mr. Clark to settle. **Motion by McParland to countersue Mr. Jim Clark to remove his items from our property and to reimburse the village for our legal fees and/or follow other attorney recommendations. Seconded by Griswold. ROLL CALL VOTE: YES: Griswold, McParland, Guild, Colburn. MOTION PASSED 4-0.**
7. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.
8. **COUNCIL COMMENTS:** None.
9. **ADJOURNMENT:** **McParland moved to adjourn. Supported by Griswold. VOICE VOTE: ALL YES: MOTION PASSED 4-0.**
Pro Tem Colburn adjourned the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

Village President

Village Clerk

Approved for Publication

NEXT MEETING: March 09, 2026