Town Board minutes for the November 14, 2024 meeting. Supervisor Richardson called the

meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENT:** Vernon Richardson, Supervisor

Doug Blumer, Councilor

Floyd Duger, Councilor

Todd Platten, Councilor

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Town Attorney Joe Frateschi, Deputy Town Clerk Deb Blasko, Town Codes Officer Howard Tanner, Mary Jo Davis

**RECORDING SECRETARY:** Danielle Karlik, Town Clerk

**PUBLIC HEARING:** On October 10, 2024the Elbridge Town Board resolved to hold a public hearing to hear any persons for or against the consideration of the Old Erie Ambulance contract for the calendar year of 2025, in the amount of $196,888.93, for November 14th at 7:01 P.M.

Supervisor Richardson: Does anyone wish to speak in favor of this proposal? None

Supervisor Richardson: Does anyone wish to speak against this proposal? None

**ADOPT MINUTES:** On a motion by Councilor Duger, seconded by Councilor Blumer, the minutes from October 24, 2024 were entered into record.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** A request to contact the State DOT in regards to the speed limit on Route 317 coming out of the Village of Elbridge. A study will take some time.

**OLD BUSINESS**:

* Comprehensive Plan – Councilor Blumer and Councilor Duger met with Central New York Regional Planning and Development. It is felt that the plan should be condensed. A new draft will need to be reviewed by the Town and a public meeting to be held. Any further information will be passed along.
* Archive Proposal – still in the process. A proposed facility has been toured and looks promising, overall. Economics may be challenging. A formal IMA has been suggested, to outline details.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

* Association of Towns assigned delegates – no commitments, as of yet. Councilor Blumer may be a delegate.
* Possible ZBA appointment, Eric Matthews – a brief discussion took place.
* Printing fee for DECALS – discussion took place.

**RESOLVED:**

On a motion by Councilor Blumer, seconded by Councilor Platten, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 4 AYES Richardson Blumer Duger Platten

0 NAYS

*Resolution 113/24*

The Elbridge Town Board appoints Eric Matthews as a member to the Zoning Board of Appeals, with a five-year term beginning January 1, 2025, and ending December 31, 2029.

On a motion by Councilor Blumer, seconded by Councilor Duger, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 4 AYES Richardson Blumer Duger Platten

0 NAYS

*Resolution 114/24*

The Elbridge Town Board resolves to charge a $1.00 fee, for each printed DECALS license, if license holders chose the option of receiving a printed copy.

On a motion by Councilor Blumer, seconded by Councilor Platten, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 4 AYES Richardson Blumer Duger Platten

0 NAYS

*Resolution 115/24*

The Elbridge Town Board resolves to contract with Old Erie Ambulance Services for the 2025 calendar year, in the amount of $196,888.93

On a motion by Councilor Platten, seconded by Councilor Blumer, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 4 AYES Richardson Blumer Duger Platten

0 NAYS

*Resolution 116/24*

The Elbridge Town Board resolves to change the 2025 Tentative Budget as follows:

A 1990.4 Contingency Account $90,000

Sa1 – 4540.4 Ambulance $196,889

On a motion by Councilor Duger, seconded by Councilor Blumer, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: 4 AYES Richardson Blumer Duger Platten

0 NAYS

*Resolution 117/24*

**THE ELBRIDGE TOWN BOARD RESOLVES** that the Preliminary Budget be adopted and established as the Final Budget, with any amendments made, for the Town of Elbridge for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2025, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town Clerk shall prepare and certify, as provided by law, duplicate copies of said Annual Budget hereby adopted, and shall deliver them to the Supervisor of the Town of Elbridge, who shall deliver one copy to the Onondaga County Legislature for the levy of taxes.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilor Blumer: Day to day business in the Historian’s office continues. Planning Board has met and is busy with eight applicants. One subdivision was approved on River Road. They are working on another subdivision on Whiting Road. The Solar project on Wheeler Road has asked for an additional extension. The Drake property owners are proposing an amendment to their site plan, and the Wheeler Road project was presented. Special Permit request for a home business on Hamilton Road has been received.

Councilor Duger: Reports on file. Highway maintenance and preparation for winter is ongoing. Recreation has planned a winter basketball season, and during Christmas break a basketball camp, as well as a lacrosse camp in February. The final senior trip is coming up on December 5th. December 3rd will be a special Christmas luncheon with Loren and LJ Barrigar as entertainment; the Board has been invited to attend. December 17th Merry Mischief will be the entertainment and on December 20th The JE Swinging Eagles.

Councilor Platten: Nothing really to report. Councilor Platten has found the old Dog Control contract and has reached out to Bob Wood.

Supervisor Richardson: Will reach out to B & L in regards to the joint water meeting this coming Tuesday.

**MONTHLY REPORTS ON FILE:** Highway, Sr/Rec, Codes

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:** Clerk Karlik was informed of the CNYSPCA acting manger’s name, Gail Rachetta.

Codes Officer Tanner updated the Board on the recent mobile home fire.

Mary Jo Davis informed the Board of ongoing public discussion in regards to the hydrant location around the area of the recent fire. There was a brief discussion and with the future water project updates the hydrant should be relocated to the other side. She advised on the various donation places for aid to the family. She further inquired about the budget for the SPCA contract. Councilor Platten said it should be a decrease in price.

On a motion by Councilor Platten, seconded by Councilor Duger, the Elbridge Town Board unanimously entered into Executive Session at 7:28 PM. Attorney Frateschi recorded minutes.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

7:59 P.M. – Councilor Platten made a motion to leave Executive Session, seconded by Councilor Blumer.  Supervisor Richardson put the motion to a vote.  Passed unanimously.

*Resolution 118/24*

8:00 P.M.  – Councilor Blumer made a motion to authorize the Town to enter into an amended addendum to its engagement letter with Harris Beach PLLC for additional legal services, subject to the Town’s review.  Councilor Duger seconded the motion.  Supervisor Richardson put the motion to a vote.  Passed unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

8:01 P.M. – Councilor Blumer made a motion to adjourn.  Councilor Duger seconded the motion.  Supervisor Richardson put the motion to a vote.  Passed unanimously.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Danielle Karlik**

**Elbridge Town Clerk**