

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING AND WORK SESSION – EDEN TOWN BOARD
2795 E Church St.
Eden, NY 14057
February 25, 2026 @ 6:30 P.M.

This meeting was held in-person and virtually through GoToMeeting.com. The meeting link was made available to the public prior to the meeting.

TOWN BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

RICHARD VENTRY	-	SUPERVISOR
SUSAN WILHELM	-	COUNCILMEMBER
VINCENT VACCO	-	COUNCILMEMBER (arrived at 6:35 PM)
TIMOTHY WALKER	-	COUNCILMEMBER (arrived at 6:36 PM)
MICHAEL BYRNES	-	COUNCILMEMBER

OTHERS PRESENT:

Emily Hawkins	-	Town Clerk
Marlene Grunder	-	Administrative Assistant to the Supervisor
Lisa Winter	-	Bookkeeper

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment on Agenda Items Only: None

New and Unfinished Business:

1. IT Contract:

#44-2026: MOTION was made by Supervisor Ventry to accept the contract for Master Information Technology Infrastructure Support Service Agreement between UbertechIT Services Inc. and the Town of Eden from March 1, 2026 through February 28, 2027 for IT services as presented; seconded by Councilmember Wilhelm; Ayes: All; Opposed: None; Abstain: None; Motion carried.

2. Conservation Board Members:

#45-2026: MOTION was made by Supervisor Ventry to re-appoint Lamont Beers, Mary Jane Bolo, Deborah Condon, & Judith Striebich to the Conservation Board for a two-year period beginning 2/1/26 and ending on 1/31/28; seconded by Councilmember Walker; Ayes: All; Opposed: None; Abstain: None; Motion carried.

#46-2026: MOTION was made by Supervisor Ventry to appoint Lamont Beers as chairman to the Conservation Board; seconded by Councilmember Wilhelm; Ayes: All; Opposed: None; Abstain: None; Motion carried.

3. Legal Services for Solar and Battery Storage Laws:

#47-2026: MOTION was made by Supervisor Ventry to approve Heath & O'Toole Attorneys for legal services related to solar and battery storage laws; seconded by Councilmember Byrnes; Ayes: All; Opposed: None; Abstain: None; Motion carried.

4. Set Bid Opening Date for Fire Truck:

#48-2026: MOTION was made by Supervisor Ventry to set the bid opening date for the Eden Fire Department Pumper Apparatus for March 20, 2026 at 11:00 AM; seconded by Councilmember Byrnes; Ayes: All; Opposed: None; Abstain: None; Motion carried.

5. Recreation Maintenance Position:

#49-2026: MOTION was made by Supervisor Ventry to approve Tyler Burchfield as the Full Time Working Crew Chief at \$30 per hour for 40 hours per week to be paid bi-weekly, starting March 2, 2026; seconded by Councilmember Wilhelm; Ayes: All; Opposed: None; Abstain: None; Motion carried.

6. Google Workspace:

#50-2026: MOTION was made by Supervisor Ventry to approve Daston Corporation for Google Workspace as presented from 3/20/26 to 3/19/29; seconded by Councilmember Byrnes; Ayes: All; Opposed: None; Abstain: None; Motion carried.

7. Full Time Police Officer:

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#51-2026: MOTION was made by Supervisor Ventry to appoint Kyle Ecker as a full time Police Officer for the Town of Eden at a rate of pay stated in the Police Club contract effective March 8, 2026, pending Civil Service Requirements and mandated DCJS requirements; seconded by Councilmember Wilhelm; Ayes: All; Opposed: None; Abstain: None; Motion carried.

Hearing of Visitors: None

Work Session:

The Town Board reviewed information from the New York Towns Association of Towns Training School.

#52-2026: MOTION was made by Supervisor Ventry to adjourn the meeting and enter Executive Session for Recreation Personal; seconded by Councilmember Walker; Ayes: All; Opposed: None; Abstain: None; Motion carried.

Adjournment: 7:13 PM

Respectfully submitted by,

Emily Hawkins, Town Clerk