

OXFORD TOWN BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, March 14, 2018

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Oxford Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Lawrence Wilcox at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall for the transaction of such business that may lawfully come before the Board. The meeting opened with the salute to the flag of the United States of America.

Present were:

Supervisor: Lawrence Wilcox
Council: Jerry Locke - Absent
Carl Koenig - Absent
Ron Charles
John Hofmann
Town Clerk: James Hemstrought Jr.
Highway Superintendent: Timothy Tefft - Excused

Others Present: Paul Romahn, Planning Board; Susan F. Frye, Town Justice; Roger Barrows, Dog Warden / Code Officer; Canice Paliotta.

Minutes Previous Monthly Meeting:

John Hofmann made a motion to approve the minutes of February 21, 2018. Motion was seconded by Ron Charles and carried with 3 Ayes.

Supervisor's Monthly Report:

Supervisor Wilcox handed out the Financial Accounting Information Sheets as of February 28, 2018. He also gave the following Revenues, Appropriations and Checkbook Balances:

February 2018

Revenues	\$295,976.03
Appropriation	56,111.30
Check Book Balances:	
General	\$331,539.11
Highway	312,761.47
T&A	2,274.22
Water District #1	6,223.53

PUBIC COMMENTS:

Hon. Susan F. Frye, Town Justice, was invited to the Town Board meeting to introduce herself to the Board. She said she is a 26-year resident of the Town of Oxford, born in Smyrna, NY and retired in 2014 as Probation Officer in the Chenango County Probation Department. Judge Frye has supervised adult probation, counseled school alcohol & drug personnel for two years and was involved with Planned Parenthood in Broome and Chenango Counties. She completed her Judge's Training in Albany this year.

Canice Paliotta talked about the Traffic Diversion Program and the Town's involvement in it. Supervisor Wilcox stated that this is under the auspices of the County District Attorney and that the Town isn't involved. Canice said that the County was looking for a Veteran to fill a new salaried position. She also wanted to know if the Pool will be open this year. Supervisor Wilcox said that the electrical problem is being fixed and that the Pool will open as usual in 2018.

Paul Romahn, Planning Board Chairman, recommended Roger Barrows for the vacant position on the Planning Board. He also had several questions concerning the proposed BMX Track near the Boname Park. His questions were about local traffic along Route 32, parking on the road sides, bathroom and water disposal. These and other issues should be addressed when talking with the BMX organization.

COMMUNICATIONS:

The February 2018 monthly collateralized deposit account information report was received from BNY Mellon Broker/Dealer Services.

Information was received from the Chenango County Department of Public Works promoting Shared Services to increase overall efficiency between the County Public Works and the Town of

Oxford. The contract, if the Town is willing to enter into it, would be for mowing the roadsides of the County Highways listed in the contract. This would be for the 2018 summer season. Supervisor Wilcox said he would get together with Tim Tefft, Highway Superintendent, for his opinion and suggestions, before any action is taken. The cost to the Town would be \$50.00 per lane mile, each time, for the fifty-plus miles of County road within the Town of Oxford.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The nomination by Planning Board President, Paul Romahn, to appoint Roger Barrows to the Planning Board was discussed. Since Mr. Barrows is also the Code Enforcement Officer for the Town of Oxford, he would need to recuse himself if a question came up that might be considered a conflict of interest. Mr. Romahn said that he agrees and this would be done.

Motion was made by John Hofmann to appoint Roger Barrows to fill the vacant position on the Planning Board to December 31, 2024. The motion was seconded by Ron Charles and carried with 3 Ayes.

Supervisor Wilcox stated that there is a unexpired term vacancy on the Board of Assessment Review for the Town of Oxford. He suggested Paul Romahn to fill the unexpired term to September 30, 2018.

Motion was made by Ron Charles to appoint Paul Romahn to the Town of Oxford Board of Assessment for the unexpired term to September 30, 2018. Motion was seconded by John Hofmann and carried with 3 Ayes.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

There wasn't any report given, due to the fact that the Highway Superintendent was preparing for the latest winter storm to hit the area.

BILLS & CLAIMS: March 2018

Claims #40 thru #57 General Fund: Total: \$186,108.25

Claims #35 thru #48 Highway Fund: Total: \$ 15,971.44

Motion was made by Ron Charles and seconded by John Jofmann to pay the bills and claims. Motion carried with 3 Ayes.

The next monthly meeting of the Town Board will be held on April 11, 2018 at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall.

Meeting was adjourned by Supervisor at 8:35 pm.

James W. Hemstrought Jr.
Town Clerk