

OXFORD TOWN BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, June 8, 2016
Town & Village Hall

The Monthly Meeting of the Oxford Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Lawrence Wilcox at 7:30 pm at 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: Carl Koenig
Jerry Locke
Ron Charles

Town Clerk: James W. Hemstrought Jr.
Highway Superintendent: Timothy Tefft

Absent: John Hofmann

Others Present: Jeremy Palmer, Monroe Tractor Rep.; Garry Bodine, Case Rep.; Dan Taylor, Fred Lanfear.

Minutes Previous Monthly Meeting:

Jerry Locke made a motion to approve the minutes of May 11, 2016. Motion was seconded by Ron Charles and carried with 4 Ayes.

Supervisor's Monthly Report:

Review of Monthly Financial Accounting Information.

Supervisor Wilcox gave the following Revenues, Appropriations and Checkbook Balances:

May 2016

Revenues	\$ 53,320.15
Appropriations	\$ 78,455.18

Check Book Balances:

General	\$126,988.93
Highway	\$299,751.55
T&A	\$ 3,287.51
Water District #1	\$ 3,190.08

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No comments this evening.

Jeremy Palmer, Monroe Tractor Representative and Garry Bodine, Case Representative were in attendance, by invitation of Timothy Tefft, Highway Superintendent, to give the Town Board information, pricing and options for purchasing a new Loader through their respective companies.

COMMUNICATIONS:

The NBT Bank collateralized deposit information was received from BNY Mellon as part of the Tri-Party Collateral agreement.

A letter was received from the Chenango County SPCA containing three addendums to the 2016 Animal Shelter Agreement. These addendums have been added due to several issues which have created some confusion. Addendum 1 relates to stray cats, addendum 2 relates to cruelty and dangerous dogs, addendum 3 relates to a secondary or backup dog control officer.

A letter was received from Charter Communications announcing that Time Warner Cable Inc. and Bright House Networks, LLC have combined into a single company, "New Charter".

E-mail was received from the State tax department announcing the tentative 2016 State equalization rate for Oxford. The tentative rate is 66.00.

A letter was received from New York State Dept. of Environmental Conservation – Region 7 stating that they are the lead agency for the SEQR review for the proposed expansion of an existing 2.49 acre sand and gravel mine, owned by Jereme Lehmer, to 5 acres.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Supervisor Wilcox announced that our attorney, Ed Downey, has a new position with the Dept. of Justice and will not be able to work for the Town of Oxford as our attorney. Supervisor Wilcox will search for a replacement attorney in the area.

Supervisor Wilcox met with the State Department of Transportation concerning the rebuilding the road at the Bowman Creek bridge area. The State wants to close the road, but the Town of Oxford objects to this closing.

Reports have been received of some damage at the Oxford Pool by unknown individuals. After discussion it was decided that surveillance cameras should be installed around the Pool area.

Motion was made by Jerry Locke and seconded by Carl Koenig that two or three cameras be installed around the Pool area at a cost not to exceed \$1,500. Pool director, Patrick Moore, will be contacted to take charge of seeing that this is accomplished.

Discussion was held concerning the cutting of trees in Riverview Cemetery, along upper Albany Street, in the Village of Oxford. It was decided that Supervisor Wilcox should contact Mayor Stark and offer to pay half the total cost of this project.

Motion was made by Jerry Locke and seconded by Ron Charles, to ask the Village of Oxford to dispense with the \$100.00 charge to the Town of Oxford for turning on and off the water to the Pool each season (\$50. to turn on and \$50.00 to turn off). The Town Board felt that this is only fair since the Town of Oxford pays all the other expenses connected with the Pool.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Timothy Tefft, Highway Superintendent, reported that the sides of the roads are being mowed and the crew is hauling sand for the winter stockpile. Along with this road shoulders are being cleaned and patched as needed. He also reported that more than half of the scheduled roads for 2016 have been stoned and oiled and the equipment is in good shape.

BILLS & CLAIMS: June 2016

Claims #79 thru #95 General Fund: Total: \$ 4,946.42

Claims #86 thru #101 Highway Fund: Total: \$107,533.72

Motion was made by Jerry Locke and seconded by Ron Charles to pay the bills and claims. Motion carried with 4 Ayes.

The next Town Board meeting will be held on July 13, 2016 at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall.

Meeting was adjourned by Supervisor Wilcox at 9:15 pm.

James W. Hemstrought Jr.

Town Clerk