The Otsego Town Board held the Organizational meeting on the 3rd day of January, 2013 at the Town Building, Fly Creek, NY at 7:15 PM.

Town Board Members Present:

Anne Geddes-Atwell
Bennett Sandler
Julie Huntsman
Carl Wenner
Thomas Hohensee

Supervisor
Councilman
Councilwoman
Councilman
Councilman

Also Present:

Michelle Kennedy Town Attorney
Pamela Deane Town Clerk

Starting at 6:00PM Town Board members interviewed three individuals for Planning Board and Zoning Board vacancies.

Supervisor Geddes-Atwell called the meeting to order at 7:15PM.

Supervisor Geddes-Atwell proposed the following appointments for the Boards consideration:

Accountant Mostert, Manzanero & Scott, LLP

Bank Depositories Community Bank, Key Bank, NBT, and MBIA

Court ClerkMary Ann TravisCustodianConnie RobinsonDog Control OfficerTom SteeleHealth OfficerChris KjolhedeHighway Deputy SupervisorMike Thayer

Historians Tom Heitz & Sherlee Rathbone

Meeting Date Second Wednesday of each month at 7:00PM

Mileage Reimbursement \$ .45 per mile Newspaper (Official) The Daily Star

Registrar Vital Statistics Cooperstown Village Clerk & Deputy

Town Board Attorney

Zoning Enforcement Officer

Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman

Zoning Board and Planning Board Clerk

Planning Board Chairman

Planning Board Attorney

Michelle Kennedy

Bill Deane

Donna Borgstrom

Michelle Kennedy

MOTION by Councilwoman Huntsman, seconded by Councilman Sandler, to accept the proposed appointments offered by the Town Supervisor.

Supervisor Geddes-Atwell called for discussion.

Councilman Wenner was against raising the mileage reimbursement from .40cents/mile to .45 cents/mile. Wenner felt that even though the proposed amount is less than what the State reimburses people are making money off of the reimbursement allowance.

Councilman Wenner was opposed of dismissing the present Planning Board Attorney James Ferrari, and replacing him with the current Town Attorney Michelle Kennedy.

Supervisor Geddes-Atwell felt communications between the Town Board and Planning Board would improve if they both had the same attorney.

Councilman Wenner had no problem with Kennedy holding both Planning Board and Town Board Attorney positions if both positions had come vacant and the Town Board wanted to consolidate them but felt it awkward given the way events unfolded.

MOTION CARRIED: Supervisor Geddes-Atwell, Councilmen Sandler and Hohensee, and Councilwoman Huntsman voted yes. Councilman Wenner voted no.

Supervisor Geddes-Atwell thanked Attorney Ferrari for his past years of service.

MOTION by Councilwoman Huntsman, seconded by Councilman Sandler, to appoint Douglas Greene to the Planning Board and Scottie Baker to the Planning Board Alternate position.

MOTION CARRIED: Supervisor Geddes-Atwell, Councilmen Sandler and Hohensee, and Councilwoman Huntsman voted yes. Councilman Wenner voted no. (Greene's term is 1/1/13 thru 12/31/19..Baker's term is 1/1/13 thru 12/31/13).

MOTION by Councilwoman Huntsman, seconded by Councilman Sandler, to table the Zoning Board of Appeal appointments until the January  $9^{th}$  regular meeting.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

The following audits were agreed to be performed by the following Town Board Members:

Town Clerk Councilman Wenner
Town Supervisor Councilman Sandler
Tax Collector Councilman Hohensee
Town Justices Councilwoman Huntsman

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20PM.

The next meeting will be held at 7:00 January 9<sup>th</sup> at the Town Building in Fly Creek.

Respectfully Submitted, Pamela Deane/Town Clerk