

The Town of Otsego Town Board held a Regular Monthly Meeting on the 8th day of January 2020 at the Town Building, Fly Creek, NY at 7:00PM.

Town Board Members Present:

Meg Kiernan Supervisor
Suzanne Olson Councilperson
Tom Hohensee Councilperson
Carina Franck Councilperson
Matthew Zwissler Councilperson

Also Present:

William Hribar Sr. Highway Superintendent
Pamela Deane Town Clerk

Supervisor Kiernan called the meeting to order and asked everyone to please rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION by Councilperson Hohensee, seconded by Councilperson Franck, to accept the minutes of December 11th as presented.

MOTION CARRIED: Supervisor Kiernan, Councilpersons Franck, and Hohensee, voted yes. Councilpersons Olson and Zwissler abstained.

Supervisor Kiernan read correspondence received since last month's meeting.

Supervisor Kiernan opened the floor for comments.

There were no comments from the public.

Supervisor Kiernan closed the floor.

Supervisor Kiernan gave a financial report. The Board discussed the following balances in the various accounts:

General Savings: \$ 4,713.20	General Checking: \$190,179.91
Highway Savings: \$ 7,859.13	Hwy Checking: \$525,896.00
Building Reserve Fund: \$148,121.74	Hwy Equipment Fund: \$ 344,388.77
Building Reserve CD: \$25,000.00	Hwy Reserve CD: \$ 25,000.00

MOTION by Councilperson Franck, seconded by Councilperson Hohensee, to accept the financial report as presented and make the necessary transfers.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

MOTION by Councilperson Hohensee, seconded by Councilperson Franck, to pay the bills as amended and make the necessary transfers.

GENERAL: #1-#14	\$ 4,563.84
HWY: #229-#237	\$ 3,178.25

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

Dog Officer Tom Steele had left word that he responded to 1 dog running-at-large since last month's meeting.

Planning Board member Ted Feury reported on Site Plan applications currently being reviewed by the Planning Board. Councilperson Franck and Feury will work together to draft definitions regulating fences and Tiny Houses.

Zoning Enforcement Officer Ed Hobbie gave his report on permits he has issued since last meeting. He and Councilperson Franck will meet to discuss the new fee schedule.

Highway Superintendent Bill Hribar gave a highway report:

- If all goes well, the Tripp Hill Rd. culvert will be replaced this year.
- He plans to rent a sod loader this year instead of the boom. Rental for one month will be \$9,000.
- He plans to finish Johnston Rd. this year. Total cost to finish the entire road is estimated at \$124,000.00.
- At the Town Supervisor's request, he will research what is more practical-buying, leasing, or hiring out, an excavator.

Hribar brought to the Town Boards attention an incident with Mr. Kegelman while the highway crew was cleaning out a ditch near his home on Tripp Hill Rd. The State Police were called and after reviewing Mr. Kegelman's recording of the incident, issued Mr. Kegelman a ticket for obstructing highway maintenance.

Councilperson Franck stated that the Towns Salt Shed Grant Application was denied. In order to move forward she will need the desired size, cost, and location of a new salt shed. She will be looking at the feasibility of constructing one either this year or next.

County Representative for the Town of Otsego, Andrew Marietta, reported that the County Highway Garage on

Linden Avenue in the Village of Cooperstown is going to be relocated near BOCES in Milford. Once everything is moved from Linden Ave., the property will be sold.

Supervisor Kiernan submitted a Contract offered by the SPCA, which was reviewed and discussed by the Town Board.

MOTION by Councilperson Hohensee, seconded by Councilperson Zwissler, authorizing the Town Supervisor to sign the proposed contract.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

Supervisor Kiernan submitted a proposal of Appointments for 2020 which was reviewed and discussed by the Town Board.

Town of Otsego 2020

Accountant	Lynn Bass
Payroll	Ray Holohan, CPA with ADP
Deputy Supervisor	Tom Hohensee
Bank Depositories -	Community Bank, Bank of Cooperstown
Court Clerk -	April Rackmeyer
Custodian -	
Dog Control Officer -	Tom Steele
Health Officer -	Chris Kjolhede
Highway Deputy Supervisor -	Bill Hribar Jr.
Historians -	Tom Heitz & Sherlee Rathbone
Meeting Date -	Second Wednesday of each month at 7 PM
Mileage Reimbursement -	\$.50 per mile
Newspaper (Official) -	The Daily Star
Registrar Vital Statistics -	Cooperstown Village Clerk & Deputy
Town Board Attorney -	Peter Hobaica
Codes Officer -	Otsego County Codes Department
Zoning Enforcement Officer -	Ed Hobbie
Zoning Board and Planning Board Clerk -	Bill Deane
Planning Board Attorney -	Ryan Miosek
7 Year Planning Board Term -	Sharon Kroker
5 Year Zoning Board Term -	Mary Ann Whelan
4 Year Zoning Board Term -	Sal Furnari

Department Audits

Town Clerk	Councilperson Olson
Town Supervisor	Councilperson Franck
Tax Collector	Councilperson Zwissler
Town Justices	Councilperson Hohensee

Committees

Communication	Supervisor Kiernan
Safety	Councilpersons Franck and Hohensee
Highway Committee	Councilpersons Franck and Hohensee
Finance Committee	Bennett Sandler & Supervisor Kiernan
Heirloom Barn Committee	Councilperson Franck

MOTION by Councilperson Hohensee, seconded by Councilperson Franck, to approve the proposed 2020 Appointments.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

MOTION by Councilperson Franck to adjourn.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

Meeting ended at 9:00PM

Next Regular Meeting will be February 12th at 7:00PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela Deane/Town Clerk