The Otsego Town Board held a year-end meeting on the 28th day of December 2016 at the Town Building, Fly Creek, NY at 5:00 PM.

Town Board Members Present:

Meg KiernanSupervisorThomas HohenseeCouncilpersonCarina FranckCouncilpersonBennett SandlerCouncilpersonJoseph PotrikusCouncilperson

Also Present:

Pamela Deane Town Clerk

Supervisor Kiernan called the meeting to order.

MOTION by Supervisor Kiernan, seconded by Councilperson Franck to go into Executive Session to conduct interviews for various upcoming vacancies.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor. (5:05PM)

MOTION by Councilperson Potrikus, seconded by Councilperson Franck, to come out of Executive Session.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor. (6:47PM)

Supervisor Kiernan asked everyone to please rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Kiernan submitted year-end balances, which the Board reviewed and discussed. Highway Superintendent John Schallert previously informed Supervisor Kiernan, that he filed the CHIP's reimbursement late and was not sure when it would arrive.

MOTION by Councilperson Potrikus, seconded by Councilperson Sandler, to approve the Financial report so long as Supervisor Kiernan inquires whether or not accounts can be closed without the CHIP's reimbursement and if so can money in reserve accounts be temporarily transferred to balance general and highway accounts until the CHIP's money arrives. Finally, when can the town expect the CHIP's reimbursement?

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

The minutes of December 14th were submitted and Supervisor Kiernan asked for discussion. A few amendments were made.

MOTION by Councilperson Franck, seconded by Councilperson Sandler, to approve the December 14th minutes as amended.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

Councilperson Franck asked that it be noted that Planning Board liaison Steve Purcell's comment at the December 14th meeting stating that the Planning Board voted unanimously to ask the Town Board to reappoint John Phillips Planning Board Chairman, was incorrect. Councilpersons Franck and Hohensee both attended the meeting and agreed that Purcell was mistaken and the Motion concerning John Phillips did not happen.

MOTION by Councilperson Potrikus, seconded by Councilperson Hohensee to pay the following bills and make the necessary transfers:

General: #174-#178 \$1,304.31

HWY: #429 \$2,372.02

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

MOTION by Councilperson Potrikus, seconded by Councilperson Sandler, to approve the following appointments:

Accountant Lynn Bass

Payroll Ray Holohan, CPA with ADP

Deputy Supervisor Tom Hohensee

Banks Community Bank and Bank of Cooperstown
Court Clerks Mary Ann Travis and April Rackmeyer

CustodianConnie RobinsonDog Control OfficerTom SteeleHealth OfficerDr. Chris KjolhedeHighway DeputyWilliam Hribar Jr.

Historians Tom Heitz and Shirlee Rathbone

Meeting Date and Time Second Wednesday of the month at 7:00PM

Mileage Reimbursement .45 per mile

Official Newspaper The Oneonta Daily Star

Registrar Vital Statistics Cooperstown Village Clerk and Deputy

Town Attorney Michelle Kennedy

Code Officer Otsego County Codes Department

Zoning and Planning Board Clerk Bill Deane

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

Councilperson Franck suggested that the Board think about setting up a push notification for residents that would like to receive a copy of the minutes automatically by e-mail. Councilperson Sandler suggested that a list serve might be a better way to go. Advantages and disadvantages were discuss and tabled for another time.

MOTION by Councilperson Hohensee, seconded by Councilperson Sandler, to table further discussions until 5:00PM December 29th.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

Meeting was tabled at 7:31PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Pamela Deane/Town Clerk