

The Otsego Town Board held a year-end meeting on the 30th day of December 2015 at the Town Building, Fly Creek, and NY at 5:00 PM.

Town Board Members Present:

Anne Geddes-Atwell	Supervisor
Thomas Hohensee	Councilperson
Carina Franck	Councilperson
Bennett Sandler	Councilperson

Also Present:

Pamela Deane	Town Clerk
Meg Kiernan	newly elected Town Supervisor
John Schallert	Highway Supervisor

Supervisor Geddes-Atwell called the year-end meeting to order and asked that everyone rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION by Councilperson Hohensee, seconded by Councilperson Sandler, to accept the minutes of December 9th as presented.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

MOTION by Councilperson Hohensee, seconded by Councilperson Sandler, to accept the minutes of December 16th as presented.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

Supervisor Geddes-Atwell submitted a year-end financial report which was reviewed by the Board.

Highway Supervisor John Schallert reported that the wood chipper threw a blade through the casing causing \$20,000.00 worth of damage. Schallert stated that a new chipper would cost \$40,000.00. It was his recommendation that the board approve the purchase of a new chipper. He was also looking for approval to purchase a new pick-up truck. He estimated that a new pick-up truck would cost approximately \$35,000.00.

Schallert explained that he had two trees tagged to be taken down on Fork Shop Road. Residents Gwendolyn Ermlich and Peter Deysenroth strongly wanted the trees only trimmed. Schallert wanted it noted that he agreed to only trim the trees so long as they agreed to pay for any cost of taking them down or trimming them again in the future.

Councilperson Franck called for an intermission taking a moment to honor Supervisor Geddes-Atwell for her years of service as Town Supervisor and share in refreshments.

The Board reconvened and interviewed Jonathan Bass for a Planning Board vacancy.

The Board set the Organizational Meeting for January 4th, at 12:30PM.

MOTION by Councilperson Franck, seconded by Councilperson Sandler, to pay the following bills and make necessary transfers:

General: #202-#205	\$1,005.44
Hwy: #201-#214	\$7,721.49

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

Supervisor Geddes-Atwell submitted an extension to the 2015 Susquehanna Animal Shelter Contract for the Boards consideration.

MOTION by Councilperson Sandler, seconded by Councilperson Hohensee, to adopt an addendum to the 2015 Susquehanna Animal Shelter (SAS contract) proposed by SAS, extending the expiration date of the contract to 1/31/16.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

MOTION by Supervisor Geddes-Atwell to adjourn.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

Meeting ended at 6:35PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela Deane/Town Clerk