

OXFORD TOWN BOARD MEETING
Oxford Village Hall
Wednesday, April 12, 2025

The Regular Meeting of the Oxford Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Alan Davis at 7:00 pm in the Village Hall for the transaction of such business that may lawfully come before the Board. The meeting opened with a salute to the United States of America flag. Due and timely notice concerning the meeting was published in the Norwich Evening Sun and placed on the Town website (<https://www.townofoxfordny.com/>).

The meeting was brought to order at 7:00 pm.

Present were:

Town Supervisor: Alan Davis

Council: John Weidman
John Hofmann
Ron Charles
Carl Koenig

Town Highway Superintendent: William Pinney

Town Clerk: Mary Olmsted

Other present: Mary Weidman
Ann Chernoch
Doug Moore
Matt Geiger
Elizabeth Giammatteo

Approval of Minutes - Town Board Meeting March 12, 2025

Minutes from the previous monthly meeting

A motion to approve March 12, 2025, minutes as written. Motion to accept moved by Ron Charles, seconded by John Weidman; all approved.

Communications:

Excess Collateralization was given to the town Clerk for filing.

Supervisor's Monthly Report:

Revenue: \$16,490.98
Appropriations: \$267,238.60

Bank Balances:

General Fund Checking: \$18,675.15	General Savings: \$136,106.00
Highway Fund Checking: \$11,068.69	DA Savings: \$228,184.64
Trust & Agency Checking: \$12,845.51	DB Savings: \$261,321.06
Water District Checking: \$3,372.02	

Public Comment:

Mary Weidman asked the Board if the Town has a policy pertaining to picking up debris or trash along the town roads. Ann Chernoch also expressed her concern with the trash along the roads. Also, does the Town have a policy or plan for cleaning out ditches to remove the gravel and/or sand that has piled up along the roads and ditches? Additionally, Elizabeth Giammatteo asked the Board if there is a plan to remove fallen trees or leaning trees along the town roadways. Is there a policy for abandoned houses that are falling in and could be hazardous?

Ann Chernoch has brought it to the Board's attention that the dogs next door to her continued to bark throughout the winter months. She feels that the Board needs to do more to rectify this issue and the Dog Control Officer did not follow through on the situation.

Doug Moore addressed the Board asking what else could be done with the issue with Dale Moore and his dangerous dog. Doug feels that the Dog Control Officer is not performing his job correctly or writing tickets correctly as needed.

Old Business:

Supervisor Alan Davis informed the Board that the Dog Control Officer has received notice that the Chenango County SPCA will extend the Town of Oxford contract through the month of May.

New Business:

The Board needs to appoint Steven Graham to serve as Board of Assessment Review Clerk through May 28, 2025. Motion to appoint Steve as the Clerk moved by John Weidman, seconded by John Hoffman, all approved.

Supervisor Davis informed the Board that there is a new regulation that the Town must have a .gov domain by December 21, 2025. The Town Clerk has been in contact with Woollybear Web to assist with the domain addition.

Highway Town Superintendent Monthly Report:

Opening sealed bids for Sand, Stone, & Gravel began at 7:50 pm. The Board reviewed the bids.

Motion to approve the bids for 1 B stone delivered by Tri-City Highway Products, #2 stone delivered by Lopke Rock Products, sand for ice control from Tri-City Highway Products, and 1st limestone delivered by Carver Sand & Gravel, LLC, moved by Ron Charles, seconded by John Weidman; all approved.

Motion to approve all bids for 1.5 crushed gravel, bank run gravel, cobbles, 1st limestone picked up, 1 B stone picked up, and # 2 stone picked up, depending on location and availability, moved by Ron Charles, seconded by John Hofmann; all approved.

Superintendent William Pinney and the Highway Department feel that the John Deere loader suits their needs better than the CAT loader. Quality and price were considered in the decision. Motion to purchase a 2025 John Deere loader through a New York State OGS contract (#PC70139) and Sourcewell contract (#032119-JDC) moved by John Hofmann, seconded by Ron Charles; all approved. Roll call: Ron Charles, yes; Carl Koenig, yes; John Hofmann, yes; John Weidman, yes; Alan Davis, yes. A motion to declare a head plow and wing as surplus was moved by John Weidman, seconded by Carl Koenig; all approved. To be sold as scrap.

General Fund vouchers: #44 through #60 for a total of \$8,099.82

Highway Fund vouchers: #33 through #50 for a total of \$38,521.40

Review and Approval of Bills and Claims

Approval of Bills and Claims motion to move by John Weidman, seconded by Ron Charles; all approved.

Motion to enter an Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue moved by John Weidman, seconded by Carl Koenig; all approved.

The Executive Meeting began at 8:53 pm.

Motion moved to end the Executive Meeting moved by Ron Charles, seconded by John Hofmann, all approved. Executive Meeting adjourned at 9:14 pm.

Regular Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm - Next meeting, May 14, 2025 - 7:00 pm - Village Hall