

OXFORD TOWN BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, July 11, 2018

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Oxford Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Lawrence Wilcox at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall for the transaction of such business that may lawfully come before the Board. The meeting opened with the salute to the flag of the United States of America.

Present were:

Supervisor: Lawrence Wilcox
Council: Jerry Locke
 Carl Koenig - Absent
 Ron Charles
 John Hofmann - Absent
Town Clerk: James Hemstrought Jr.
Highway Superintendent: Timothy Tefft

Others Present: Patrick Moore, Pool Director; Paul Romahn, Planning Board Chairman and Robert Vincent; Roger Barrows Dog Control Officer; Grady Thompson, Norwich Sun Newspaper Reporter; Residents, County Rd. 32: Robert Tousignant, Carolyn Tousignant, Robert Birdsall.

Minutes Previous Monthly Meeting:

Jerry Locke made a motion to approve the minutes of June 13, 2018, with one correction. Motion was seconded by Ron Charles and carried with 3 Ayes.

Supervisor's Monthly Report:

Supervisor Wilcox handed out the Financial Accounting Information Sheets and a list of the Fund Balances as of June 30, 2018. He also gave the following Revenues, Appropriations and Checkbook Balances:

June 2018

Revenues	\$ 26,728.34
Appropriation	107,407.17
Check Book Balances:	
General	\$101,308.79
Highway	93,071.69
T&A	591.31
Water District #1	2,726.10

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Robert Birdsall and several neighbors were concerned about the proposed BMX Track on Village property along County Route 32, between the Veterans Home and the northern Village line. Their concern was about the 50 mile an hour traffic along that stretch of highway and the increased speeding taking place. Several accidents have occurred along that route with cars ending up in neighbor's yards. The residents were also concerned with the water that comes down the hill behind their homes and how the building of the track will effect that problem. The residents present were against the BMX Track being build on the Village property adjacent to their properties.

Paul Romahn, Town of Oxford Planning Board Chairman, stated that he has taken pictures of the area around the proposed Track property and that water shows up very clearly in several places. He also stated that the Planning Board agrees with their concerns and have other questions concerning the proposed BMX Track, such as camping and noise levels.

Supervisor Wilcox said the Town Board has discussed the various issues, but the fact remains that although the property is in the Town of Oxford, the Village of Oxford owns the property. Any decision made will come from the Village Board.

Candice Paliotta stated that there is a \$150,000 grant available if ten (10) people sign up for solar power thru that program. She also reminded everyone that on August 10th the Korean War Vets will be honored.

POOL REPORT:

Patrick Moore, Pool Director, gave a report as of July 10, 2018. Three thousand, six hundred people have used the Oxford Pool so far (200 people a day). On July 3rd there were over 400

people that used the Pool. There are 150 children taking swimming lessons and our 15 lifeguards are working out very well. There has been very positive feedback concerning the work of the guards and how well the Pool runs.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Notice was received from the Teamsters Union Local 317 that the current collective bargaining agreement with the Town of Oxford expires on December 31, 2018. Negotiations will be held over the next few months.

A letter of resignation was received from Timothy Tefft, Town of Oxford Highway Superintendent, effective September 28, 2018. In the letter Tim stated that he has enjoyed the 32 years with the Town Highway Department and thanked all for their support and cooperation over the years. He gave special thanks to Supervisor Wilcox and Town Clerk Hemstrought for their support and help throughout the years.

Motion was made by Jerry Locke and seconded by Ron Charles to accept, with regrets, the resignation of Town Highway Superintendent Timothy Tefft. The motion carried with 3 Ayes.

The Town Board agreed that Highway Superintendent Tefft will be missed and that his performance over the years has been exemplary. He served 28 of the 32 years as Superintendent and his attention to his appointed duties, day or night, were in the best interest of the Town of Oxford.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The Chenango County Tax delinquent tax report was received and the tax sale date has been set for Thursday, July 26, 2018.

Notice of road closing on Route 12 north from July 15 through August 8, 2018, has been placed on an electronic sign south of the red light at the intersection of Rt. 12 and County Rt. 220.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Superintendent Tefft reported that mowing of road sides are continuing with two mowers in use. Sealing of Millbrook Road has been completed. Tefft would like to pave Charles Kelley road before the end of July and will need to make payment for this before September 1st.

Motion was made by Ron Charles and seconded by Jerry Locke to okay payment of this project before the regular Board meeting on August 8th, 2018 to meet the deadline.

BILLS & CLAIMS: July 2018

Claims #118 thru #139 General Fund: Total: \$22,664.31

Claims # 99 thru #119 Highway Fund: Total: \$60,185.57

Motion was made by Ron Charles and seconded by Jerry Locke to pay the bills and claims.

Motion carried with 3 Ayes.

The next monthly meeting of the Town Board will be held on August 8, 2018 at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall.

Meeting was adjourned by Supervisor at 8:12 pm.

James W. Hemstrought Jr.
Town Clerk