

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Oxford was held at 7:30 pm on October 27, 2015 at the Village Hall - 20 LaFayette Park, Oxford, NY 13830.

Present were: Mayor Terry Stark, Trustee Dale Leach, Trustee John Todaro, SPW Rick Paden, WWTP Operator Kirk Noetzel, Fire Chief Hans Franklin, Gene Rood, Clerk/Treasurer Shelly Marks

Absent: Trustee John O'Connor, Trustee Joseph Spence, Police Chief Richard Nolan, Mindy Natoli

Mayor Stark called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was given.

PUBLIC CONCERNS:

None

ABSTRACT:

Trustee Todaro seconded by Trustee Leach made a motion to approve the Abstract (#005) as presented with the two additions as noted-\$280 Renee Salisbury and \$337 Professional Tire (total \$617.00).

General Fund	\$22,533.01
Water Fund	\$ 4,384.63
Sewer Fund	\$ 9,431.24
Water Improvement Project	\$ 2,736.95
<u>WWTP Capital Project</u>	<u>\$ 5,530.00</u>
TOTAL	\$44,615.83

MEETING MINUTES:

Trustee Leach moved and Trustee Todaro seconded a motion to approve the September 22, 2015 minutes. All approved.

JUSTICE REPORT:

Trustee Leach moved and Trustee Todaro seconded a motion to approve the Monthly Report for the Justice. All approved.

ENGINEER REPORT:

Bank Building Project - Things are just about complete as far as the repairs are concerned. Gene Rood asked for a quote to refurbish the windows and the turret. \$12,500 was quoted for the turret and the front windows were \$11,000. The Board wants to put this on hold pending more review.

Gene Rood is still working on the Scott Street Culvert to find the best solution.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Franklin handed out the new OSHA requirements. The County doesn't want to resume the training and is handing this back to each Fire Department. Chief Franklin has found a course for \$440.00 for as many people as available and show up.

The brush truck is getting ready to go so it can get painted. The Fire Department plans to take delivery either next week or the following week pending anything happening.

Ladder Grant-no denial letter has been received and nothing has been awarded since September 25th. There will be a Committee meeting Thursday night to find out what is out there for used equipment. Norwich used a place in Alabama and they will check on that as everything is certified from their place.

The new bunk gear has been coming in-helmets, boots, etc. Chief Franklin has requested that they receive the money from the grant that they were awarded. The Department will only have to contribute \$2,100 for 10 sets from their budget.

The master cylinder is gone on the 1999 Ford. It had to be sent to Matthews Ford to get fixed and there was also an exhaust leak. The Dept of Health can fine a department and shut them down if they find out about it.

WWTP:

WWTP Operator Noetzel said that he and Bill went to Greene to help put tin on a roof. The digester was emptied and cleaned out and is back on-line now (annual thing). Vacri Construction was there and took the bar screen out and took it back with them. They will ship it to Florida. It won't be back until after Thanksgiving they were told.

The bid was lower than expected and they need to come up with a list of what else may be needed that wasn't included in the original bid. The Plant would like a sewer jet if possible. We have had to borrow one in the past from other Villages. Trustee Leach suggested the purchase of a dump truck for the sludge. This will eliminate The WWTP having to dry the sludge before taking it for disposal. EFC needs to be notified of what we will be using the money for.

The Board and Trustees are approving the purchase of either a sewer jet or dump truck. (Loan is 35 years and neither will last that long). Trustee Leach made a motion and a second by Trustee Todaro to purchase a sewer jet or dump truck with any unspent funds from the \$2,735,000. All approved, carried.

DPW:

DPW Paden mentioned PESH-there will be a big report coming out which they do every couple of years. They seem to focus on something new or different. Confined Space is their object for discussion now. They are still waiting for the report to be mailed to them.

DPW Paden spoke to Chief Franklin about the fire station as they need some help with the underground propane cylinder. That is not being used now and it is about half full of propane. The DPW will dig down to the LP tank so Blueox can dig it up.

Clayton Kappauf on Columbia Street has a bad situation with their maple tree. Reese hacked it up due to their trimming of the trees. DPW and Village Board feel the tree should come down and SPW Paden will contact Jeff Bell from NYSEG/Reese.

DPW put brand new tires on the back hoe and a big bill will be coming from Professional Tire for \$3,000 approximately.

SPW Paden would like to have the time that we hire Matt Diamond (currently it is November 10th) extended. The DPW is catching up from the time Matt Dilfer left. Rick wants him to work a little longer to continue to help with some of the projects before the snow falls. Matt has been exposed to several things that the DPW does. He picks up very quickly and just does his work. He can only work for four (4) months as temporary or Civil Service will give us problems.

Trustee Leach made a motion seconded by Trustee Todaro to extend Matt to the full four months (date complied with by Civil Service).

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Nolan went over his monthly report. He will be bringing up the K-9 Unit at the November Board Meeting. Trustee Leach wants to know the Budgets for a K-9 Unit for Greene and Norwich.

The Police Department will have five (5) to eight (8) K-9 dogs go to the school to do a sweep as an example to the kids and also to see if anything is found. Handlers will be with each dog.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Village has been granted another year extension for the Greene Street property.

Wild Animal Survey – The general finding is that the Village shouldn't be in a position to tread on unbroken grounds. Only one other Village has had issues. Enforcement would be difficult - everyone has squirrels and damage does occur but not at a huge number. A letter will be written to a resident regarding this issue and give our recommendation and let them know that this will be discussed at the November Board Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

OACS - Work Based Learning Program. Emilee Eldred is working in the Village Office and Aimee Greenman is taking pictures around the Village and reports to Mayor Stark. Angelo Gonzalez is interested in working at WWTP. Motion by Trustee Todaro seconded by Trustee Leach to approve the third student slot for the OACS Work Based Learning Program. All approved.

The renewal of the Parking Lot lease was delivered to Don Golden and he will get it back to us.

Mayor Stark received a letter from the owner of property at 8 Greene Street (James & Johnna Dema) asking for relief of large water/sewer bill due to a leak with a toilet. The 1st quarter bill was \$788.50 and the 2nd quarter was \$1,226.00. The Board granted a total relief of \$415.21 which is 50% of the excess sewer portion.

Mayor Stark adjourned the meeting at 9:32 p.m.

Next meeting will be November 24, 2015

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelly W. Marks
Clerk-Treasurer