

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Oxford was held at 7:30 pm on September 11, 2018 at the Village Hall - 20 LaFayette Park, Oxford, NY 13830.

Present were: Mayor Terry Stark, Trustee Dale Leach, Trustee Dustin Hendricks, Trustee Richard Marks, Trustee Carly Hendricks, Fire Chief Ron Martin, EMS Captain Mark Forrest, 2nd Assistant Chief Kevin Northup and Clerk-Treasurer Shelly Marks.

Absent: None

Mayor Stark called the Special meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was given.

Mayor Stark talked about the purchase of the property at 38 Mechanic Street of approximately two (2) acres. There would be enough room for storage for the Police to park their cars and plenty more space for other departments to utilize.

There was a discussion about the New Berlin Ambulance Service losing their technicians. We need to get a plan together for the Oxford Ambulance Squad. It was decided that we should continue to build up our service account before we hire any full-time staff. We need to be sure there is enough money available to continue paying staff for years to come.

Gene Rood, Village Engineer has been at the fire station and did a cursory look with the drawings, etc. To his view, areas that need attention soon are: the eroded slope on the river side, drainage between the fire house and Coe House, and the concrete area in front. He said we really need to have a topo survey of the area of the fire house to the river from the bridge abutment and to the south end of the Coe House. He would need this to design a retaining structure for the area. He suggests that Paul Koerts or Rhinevault be contacted to do the survey and mapping. Chief Martin said they have done some temporary fixes to the concrete area out front. More of the bank was lost after the flooding in 2006 and 2011.

Lamont Engineers has been working with the Village and will be here for two years to work on other projects with us. The Board does not have any preference regarding engineers. Trustee Leach said we have experience with Lamont and can remain with them. Mayor Stark said he will contact Lamont Engineers to find out if they are interested and if they can come over to the fire station and do an evaluation for us.

Chief Martin came up with a list of each fire department/EMS member and their service dates. He also came up with expenses of the department and costs that are incurred yearly so there are no surprises. Also, things outside the station and the weight of the trucks so we know what the weight is on the floor of the station and the apron. The actual weight now is 135 ton. He has also come up with the life expectancy of the trucks and the replacement plan for them.

Chief Martin went back three years on the calls the station had for fire calls and the EMS. Trevor Natoli is trying to come up with individual response times.

The Brisben Squad is a political nightmare. Some of the commissioners have been scalping the Oxford members to keep Brisben open. They have a \$26,270-year budget. They are trying to get rid of the chief but that would bring them below six (6) members. Some of the retired members are showing up as active. They are still pursuing the option of closing their doors and tearing the department apart. Membership will fall apart once all this happens. To give mutual aide, you must be able to get mutual aide. No one is sure at this point where Greene and Oxford would take over for what Brisben used to have.

Mayor Stark will get all the items together and see how things look. They will plan to get together in about a month to discuss these items.

EMS SIDE-We currently have two ambulances in Oxford. Not sure how long they will be in working condition but we may have to think about replacement options. EMS Captain Mark

Forrest feels that once an EMS person is hired, we can give them other duties so they aren't just sitting around waiting for a call to come in. They could clean the station and there are data entry items that they could be working on. We want to spend the money to get better service for our community. Greene is paying someone minimum wage then once they have a call, they are paid the four hours at their normal rate.

Mayor Stark called Mang Insurance and he was told that to get \$500,000 of flood insurance for the Mechanic Street property, it would cost \$18,000 a year.

The Village's attorney, James Gregory talked to Mayor Stark regarding our possible purchase for \$55,000. We can have our closing as soon as we are able.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a special meeting held on the 11th day of September 2018, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Oxford duly adopted a resolution, an abstract of which is as follows.

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Oxford authorized the purchase of buildings and grounds of approximately two (2) acres from Abbey Real Property Services which property is commonly known as 38 Mechanic Street, Oxford, NY 13830 for public use, including but not limited to an Oxford Police Vehicle storage facility and open space for the purchase price of \$55,000.00 funded from Village unallocated fund balance subject to terms and conditions set forth in the Contract of Sale.

Dated: September 11th, 2018
Shelly W. Marks, Village Clerk-Treasurer
Village of Oxford
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RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF OXFORD ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2018

WHEREAS, Section 1-102 (1) of Village Law provides that the acquisition of interests or rights in real property is authorized for a public purpose for which public funds may be expended; and

WHEREAS, JACK ABBEY of ABBEY REAL PROPERTY SERVICES, 1114 PORTER STREET, BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK 13093 is individually and principal owner of real property (Tax Map #182.2-1-1.1) commonly known as 38 Mechanic Street, Oxford, NY 13830 and consisting of several buildings and approximately two (2) acres in the Village of Oxford; and,

WHEREAS, ABBEY REAL PROPERTY SERVICES has listed said property for sale at \$74,000, and rejected offers of \$40,000, and

WHEREAS, The Village of Oxford has determined that the market has been adequately tested and that the Chenango County Real Property Market value assessment of \$62,000 is fair consideration, and

WHEREAS, the said ABBEY REAL PROPERTY SERVICES offered said real property for sale to the Village of Oxford for the sum of \$55,000 subject to certain terms and conditions; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Oxford is interested in purchasing said real property for public use, including but not limited to an Oxford Police Vehicle storage facility space which purchase would be funded from the Village unallocated fund balance;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Trustees unanimously approves the following resolution:

The Village of Oxford is authorized to purchase from ABBEY REAL PROPERTY SERVICES the buildings and grounds of approximately two (2) acres (Tax Map #182.2-1-1.1) commonly known as 38 Mechanic Street, Oxford, NY 13830 for the sum of \$55,000.00 funded from Village unallocated fund balance.

Be it further resolved that the Board hereby authorizes Mayor Terry M. Stark to negotiate the terms and conditions of the Contract of Sale and further authorizes Mayor Terry M. Stark to sign the Contract of Sale contingent upon favorable Village attorney review of contract terms and conditions and all other necessary legal documents to consummate the purchase of the property.

On motion of Trustee C. Hendricks and seconded by Trustee Leach, the above entitled Resolution was unanimously approved.

Ayes: Mayor Terry Stark, Deputy Mayor Dale Leach, Trustee Richard Marks, Trustee Carly Hendricks, Trustee Dustin Hendricks.

Nays: None

**VILLAGE OF OXFORD
BOARD RESOLUTION
September 11, 2018**

WHEREAS, 6 NYCRR Section 617.5 (Title 6 of the New York Code of Rules and Regulations) under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR) provides that certain actions identified in subdivision C of that section are not subject to environmental review under the Environmental Conservation Law. And,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of the Village of Oxford hereby determines that the Resolution to purchase 38 Mechanic Street in the Village of Oxford is a TYPE II action in accordance with 6 NYCRR Section 617.5 (C) (26), (27) and is therefore not subject to review under 6 NYCRR Part 617.

Motion by Trustee D. Hendricks, seconded by Trustee Marks, all voted aye, motion carried.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS:

Mayor Stark was glad that Trustee Marks attended the fire department meeting last week. He will attend these monthly, if his work schedule allows.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Stark made a motion to Adjourn at 8:56 p.m.

Next regular meeting will be Tuesday, September 25, 2018 at 7:30.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelly W. Marks
Clerk-Treasurer