

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Oxford was held on December 27, 2022 at the Village Hall - 20 LaFayette Park, Oxford, NY 13830. Audit Committee met at 7:00 P.M. and Regular Board meeting started at 7:30 P.M.

**Present were:** Mayor Terry Stark, Trustee Dustin Hendricks, Trustee Richard Marks, Trustee Richard Rice, OIC Adam Francis, DPW Superintendent Bill Kelsey, Clerk-Treasurer Shelly Marks.

**Absent:** Trustee Dale Leach, Fire Chief Ron Martin, EMS Captain Mark Forrest, WWTP Operator Brenton Rideout, Zoning Officer/Dog Warden Roger Barrows

The Village Trustees (Audit Committee) reviewed each of the invoices in the abstract for December 2022.

Mayor Terry Stark called the Regular meeting to order at 7:26 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was given.

**PUBLIC CONCERNS:**

Mr. and Mrs. Martarello came to the meeting. Mayor Stark asked about the progress of his situation. SPW Kelsey said a meeting was set up but Mr. Martarello did not show up.

Mr. Martarello said he was supposed to get a phone call regarding this. SPW Kelsey said the meeting was set up for between 12:00 and 12:30 at the November Board meeting. They did check things out and a report was sent to Mayor Stark. They did not check out the water pressure as they did not want to turn on his water unless homeowner was there. The drainage issue cannot be addressed as we do not do work on private property. Resident engineer should respond to that (NYS DOT-Mike Graebell, resident engineer). Mayor Stark will get in touch with him and also the DOT as to when DPW can get over to meet him.

**ABSTRACT:**

Trustee Marks seconded by Trustee Hendricks made a motion to approve Abstract #007 as presented. All voted aye and motion was carried.

General Fund	\$ 96,805.37
Water Fund	\$ 14,740.47
Sewer Fund	\$ 12,040.36
Water Project	\$ <u>-0-</u>
	\$123,586.20

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Trustee Hendricks moved and Trustee Rice seconded a motion to approve the November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Meeting Minutes. All voted aye and motion was carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

The November Treasurer's Report is being worked on.

**JUSTICE REPORT:**

Trustee Rice moved and Trustee Marks seconded the motion to approve the November Justice Report from Judge Ross. All voted aye and motion was carried.

**OFD REPORT:**

Shawn Foran has the design from Labella (Chris Kozub). They will use Labella but they do not want to use Chris any longer. Trustee Marks moved and Trustee Hendricks seconded a motion to approve the recommendation from Heuber-Breuer to change engineers for the OFD capital project effective January 1<sup>st</sup>. They will be changing Design Engineer only.

Julie Burline (MJ Burben, Inc.) is due \$12,000 with the January abstract. Trustee Marks moved and Trustee Rice seconded the motion to approve mailing her the \$12,000 second payment to MJ Burben, Inc. All voted aye and motion was carried.

**EMS REPORT:**

Mark Forrest was not present. The EMS account is doing well financially as far as our hired EMT employees getting paid and the money coming in. Mark Forrest is now free from other things and he is available to work for the EMS. The board is in support of paying him for working with the EMS group. Trustee Marks moved and Trustee Hendricks seconded the motion for Mark Forrest to be hired as an ALS for Oxford EMS on a part time basis of \$25.00 an hour. All voted aye and motion was carried.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT:**

Roger Barrows was not present.

**WASTEWATER PLANT:**

Brenton Rideout was not present.

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:**

Snow plowing/removal has gone okay so far. Excess snow is put by Canal Street Hardware and then at the WWTP area so the excess snow to be removed from downtown. They have started hauling salt from the DOT to the shop. This is working well and it is better than dumping it on the ground and moving it multiple times.

The Board will discuss having some land donated to the Village from Blueox. The DPW already is maintaining this land by mowing and trimming.

SPW Kelsey met with Jerry Prince at the beginning of the month. He has what he needs. We are in fairly good shape and there are some new processes that we can use to get us 5 years and it is cheaper than getting a topcoat. Cold paving is the way to go now (hard paving dries and bends). Cold is already hard and lasts so much longer. The Village of Bainbridge does it this way now. He will give Bill some information on this.

Still running on Well #1 can't switch to Well #3.

Dustin Ross will plow sidewalks in his free time (outside of Village hours) for absentee owners after a snowstorm if their property is not maintained.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

OIC Francis sent in his monthly report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Henry Spinella – Trustee Rice moved and Trustee Marks seconded the motion to approve 50% of the \$1,000 bill less the tax. All voted aye and motion was carried.

NY Forward Grant – we have not had a status on this grant yet.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Roy Pfoh called Mayor Stark. He wants to have a park bench on Lafayette Park as a suicide awareness bench. A couple of families have expressed an interest in purchasing a bench in memory of loved ones. Zada White and Russell Race have monies at the village for a bench for family.

There was a curb on Washington Park but it is now gone from tractor trailers running over it to get around the park (corner). It was discussed to start developing Washington Park with benches, etc.

OACS site for Well #3 has been paid via their water credit.

**TRUSTEE COMMENTS:**

Trustee Rice brought up the possibility of painting a mural at the Dollar General. Letter to Mr. Demica mentioning having 200' of new sidewalk put down Taylor Street. He doesn't plow

sidewalk but his driveway is plowed on the sidewalk. Whole entrance on Taylor Street side is in need of much repair.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Terry Stark made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:47 p.m.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelly W. Marks  
Clerk-Treasurer