

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Oxford was held on May 30, 2023 at the Village Hall - 20 LaFayette Park, Oxford, NY 13830. The Audit Committee met at 7:00 P.M. and the Regular Board meeting started at 7:30 P.M.

Present were: Mayor Terry Stark, Trustee Dale Leach, Trustee Dustin Hendricks, Trustee Richard Marks, Trustee Richard Rice, OIC Adam Francis, DPW Superintendent Bill Kelsey, WWTP Operator Brenton Rideout, Fire Chief Ron Martin, Clerk-Treasurer Shelly Marks.

Absent: Zoning Officer/Dog Warden Roger Barrows, EMS Captain Mark Forrest

The Village Trustees (Audit Committee) reviewed each of the invoices in the abstract for May 2023.

Mayor Terry Stark called the Regular meeting to order at 7:29 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was given.

PUBLIC CONCERNS:

None

ABSTRACT:

Trustee Marks seconded by Trustee Hendricks made a motion to approve Abstract #012 as presented. All voted aye and motion was carried.

General Fund	\$141,874.88
Water Fund	\$ 5,386.41
Sewer Fund	\$ 16,682.32
Water Project	\$ -
	<u>\$163,943.61</u>

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Trustee Rice moved and Trustee Leach seconded a motion to approve the April 25th and May 9th 2023 Meeting Minutes. All voted aye and motion was carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Trustee Hendricks moved and Trustee Marks seconded a motion to approve the April Treasurer's Report. All voted aye and motion was carried.

JUSTICE REPORT:

Trustee Leach moved and Trustee Rice seconded the motion to approve the April Justice Report from Judge Ross. All approved.

OFD REPORT:

Chief Martin was present. The OFD Bylaws were changed and Chief Martin was re-elected. Trustee Marks moved and Trustee Leach seconded a motion to accept the following members that were elected into office for the coming year: Ron Martin, Jr. – Chief, Shane Ingraham – 1st Assistant Chief, Tim McGowan – 2nd Assistant Chief, Chad Stein – 1st Captain, Jake Ingraham – 2nd Captain, Jaden Chesebro – 3rd Captain, Dan Stein – 4th Captain, Dustin Ross – 1st Lieutenant, Dylan Ingraham – 2nd Lieutenant, Bob Law – Warden, Jim Ross – Warden, Dan Stein – President, Rick McConnell – Vice President. All voted aye and motion was carried.

July will be the 200th anniversary of the fire department. Once the date is finalized, the OFD would like to shut off Fort Hill Park for a day. They are thinking of having a parade and some other events. The position of Recruitment and Retention Coordinator must be advertised in our official newspaper The Evening Sun. This is a part time position.

The UTV that the OFD purchased should be completed in the next couple of weeks. They have not had one in the past. This will be a fire skid unit/rescue unit and it will save them a lot of time.

The department has not been busy for themselves but they have been doing a ton of mutual aid to the towns around them.

EMS REPORT:

Mark Forrest was not present.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

OIC Francis presented his monthly report to the Board. The police car has been received but he hates the wiring. He has had to rerun some of the wires to make it work. The emergency lights are not correct and the car will be going back to Albany. The radar will be put back in the car on Thursday. The laptop in car 142 will need to be replaced before the end of the year.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Roger Barrows was not present.

WASTEWATER PLANT:

WWTP Operator Brenton Rideout talked about his monthly report. He and SPW Kelsey have been working on leveling the concrete sidewalks. Several of them have moved over time and are trip hazards. The dump trailer had new jacks put on it and they will begin hauling sludge soon.

Chlorination at the plant will start this month. They need to chlorinate the water before it goes out into the river. They changed up the chlorination system to make it easier to keep an eye on the line if it starts leaking and needs to be repaired. He will switch out the tanks monthly.

He has switched the secondary tanks again. He is going to try to do this monthly during the summer because the warm weather causes a lot of algae to grow in the tank. By switching the tanks, a clean one is put online and the dirty one can be cleaned.

He is still waiting for parts on one of the pumps from over a month ago. He will call again to find out the status. They had a main plug at DG backing into the Tavern. It was taken care of pretty quickly. It was a bracket that held up in the pipes and held back the rags but then went lose.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:

SPW Kelsey received a certificate for updated water usage from the Susquehanna River Basin. Well #2 has been labeled as a backup well by Susquehanna River Basin. Well #1 is tired, and he was told to keep an eye on this well by Retired SPW Paden. Well #1 is being run in auto right now. They do not want the village to run well #2 as a primary well only as a backup – we can only pump 500,000 gallons a day according to SRB. (RBC)

Lance Thorne will be hired at the end of June to help with mowing, etc. SPW Kelsey is not a fan of a shortened 4-day work week.

The Moyer residence at the end of Mechanic Street has a leak at the spur. The Village has the responsibility to repair this water leak.

NEW BUSINESS:

There are several sights for a camera system around the village. The fire station needs upgrades for some of their cameras also. We can possibly tie in all of the village with security cameras. Mayor Stark and Trustee Hendricks will have a conversation regarding this issue.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

TRUSTEE COMMENTS:

Trustee Leach went over the contract with the electric provider. There are many red flags on this contract-the urgency to sign the contract is the first flag issue.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Terry Stark made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelly W. Marks
Clerk-Treasurer