

ORWELL TOWN BOARD
Public Hearing/Regular Meeting
Orwell Town Hall
1999 County Route 2, Orwell, New York
November 11, 2014

Members Present:
Supervisor William Potter

Councilmen: Nicholas Marshall, Robert Martin, Jeffrey Graham, James LaCelle

Also Present:
Hwy Supt.-Doug Henry, CEO-John Howland, Os Co Leg.-Milferd Potter
NOCA Rep.-Robert Trainham, Town Clerk-Traci LaVeck
Public Present-One community member

PUBLIC HEARING:

The Public Hearing for the 2015 Preliminary Budget opened at 6:45 PM. Supervisor Potter read over some of the Preliminary Budget, the board reviewed it. The floor was opened for public comment. Public present questioned why the budget has increased over the past few years. Supervisor Potter explained that the surplus in the accounts has dwindled and thus the need for the increase in property taxes. Highway Supt Henry questioned the increase in the water budget and Supervisor Potter explained that the increase is to cover materials and operating expense. No further comments. The Public Hearing was adjourned to the Regular Meeting at 7:00 PM.

REGULAR MEETING:

Supervisor Potter opened the Regular Meeting at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

-A motion was made by Councilman Graham to pass a **Resolution** to adopt the Preliminary Budget as the Final Budget for 2015, such motion was seconded by Councilman Marshall. (5 Ayes) motion carries

Vote by Roll Call

Councilman Marshall	Aye
Councilman Martin	Aye
Supervisor Potter	Aye
Councilman Graham	Aye
Councilman LaCelle	Aye

Resolution

A motion was made by Councilman Graham and seconded by Councilman Marshall at the November 11, 2014 Regular Town Board Meeting to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the Town Board for the Town of Orwell has deliberated on the Fiscal Year 2015 Budget and held public hearings for public comment

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Orwell Town Board hereby establishes the 2015 Final Budget as follows:

BUDGET

General Fund	\$	317,920
Highway Fund	\$	695,358
Library Fund	\$	19,435
Water Fund	\$	39,213
Fire	\$	104,500
Total Budget	\$	1,176,426

PASSED AND ADOPTED November 11, 2014

REPORTS:

A) CEO Howland gave his report for October, three building permits were issued. CEO Howland has been working with FEMA and the DEC on the Flood Insurance issue.

B) Oswego County Legislator Potter gave the November Legislator's Report: (the entire County Agenda can be found on the Oswego County Website)
Resolution establishing the 2014 County Equalization rates for the Towns and Cities within Oswego County: Orwell is at 100%

C) Dog Warden Report: Nothing new

D) Assessor Report: Nothing new

E) Water Operator's Report for October 2014:

- The latest bacteria test came back satisfactory
- All of the equipment is working fine
- There is still plenty of water in the system
- Water Operator Levack worked on Generator Maintenance last week

F) Highway Superintendent's Report:

- Hwy Supt Henry gave the Equipment Repairs Cost Report for October
- Phil Street from Tug Hill Commission been in contact with Hwy Supt Henry to work on the Town Road Official Map Project, they have gone over the map and will be working on the GPS portion of the project next.
- Gary Sova called Hwy Supt Henry to let him know that he has all of the parts for the Eye Wash Unit and will be installing it sometime this week.
- The trucks are ready for winter, will not be calling in part time workers until needed

G) Tug Hill Commission: Nothing new

H) NOCA Rep. Trainham gave the NOCA Report for October.

I) Historian's Report: Nothing new

DISCUSSION:

A) Hog Back Property Update: Supervisor Potter met with Angela Luce from Berkshire Hathway Home Services CNY Realty to discuss the property located on Hog Back Road and she said that the next step is to have an updated survey completed.

B) Highway Agreement Negotiations: waiting for the hwy employees to come back with a proposal.

C) Water District Income Survey: Supervisor Potter has a meeting next week with B&L Engineering, Rural Water, and another company involved to discuss having an income survey completed for the water project.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

CORRESPONDENCE: Supervisor Potter read the correspondence received since last month's meeting, he has received notice that the Health Insurance Premiums have gone up almost 13%.

-A motion was made by Councilman Marshall and seconded by Councilman Graham to approve the October Regular Meeting Minutes as written. (5 Ayes) motion carries

- A motion was made by Councilman Martin and seconded by Councilman LaCelle to approve the Town Clerk's Monthly Report for October. (5 Ayes) motion carries

-A motion was made by Councilman Graham and seconded by Councilman Marshall to approve the Supervisor's Monthly Report for October. (5 Ayes) motion carries

-A motion was made by Councilman Graham and seconded by Councilman LaCelle to approve the following Budget Adjustments for October. (5 Ayes) motion carries

General Fund

Add	A1010.4	Legislative Board CE	\$	47.71
Deduct	A1990.4	Contingent CE	\$	47.71

Highway Fund

Add	DA5110.44	Gen Repairs Gasoline CE	\$	185.13
Deduct	DA5120.4	Bridges CE	\$	142.59
Deduct	DA5142.41	Snow Removal CE	\$	42.54

Add	DA5130.4	Machinery CE	\$	454.20
Deduct	DA5110.41	General Repairs CE	\$	454.20

-A motion was made by Councilman LaCelle and seconded by Councilman Martin to approve payment of the following claims: (5 Ayes) motion carries

General Fund Abstract #11	Claims #136-146C	Amount \$3,133.62
Hwy Fund Abstract #11	Claims #114-124B	Amount \$7,964.09
Water District Fund Abstract #11	Claims #36-40B	Amount \$7,300.37

-A motion was made by Councilman Marshall and seconded by Councilman Graham to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 PM. (5 Ayes) motion carries

Submitted
November 17, 2014

Traci S LaVeck
Orwell Town Clerk