

ORWELL TOWN BOARD
Regular Meeting
Orwell Town Hall
February 8, 2022
7:00PM

Members Present:
Supervisor William Potter
Council members: Ryan Jones, Jeffrey Graham, David Lake, Jessica Steele
Also Present:
Oswego County Legislator-Herb Yerdon
Highway Superintendent-Doug Henry
NOCA Representative-Bob Trainham
Water Operator-Eric Pappa
Barton & Loguidice-David Powers
Water Board Member-David Potter
Oswego County Health Department – William Havener
Town Clerk-Amber Wilson
Public present-Shirley Downes, Warren Hauer

Supervisor Potter opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the pledge of allegiance. Supervisor Potter gave a summary of the emergency water meeting held on January 31, 2022. Water Operator Pappa stated he will be testing the water once a month at the start of every month.

Supervisor Potter and Councilman Graham met with the Town attorney on February 4, 2022, about Local Law #1-2022 regulating junk storage in the Town of Orwell draft and feel they made some headway on finalizing it. Another public hearing will be had, date to be determined, to pass the final law.

REPORTS:

A) CEO John Howland had no report, he is on vacation.

B) Oswego County Legislator Herb Yerdon shared news from the Oswego County Health Department making the public aware of bats that may be in homes and the possibility of them having rabies. Legislator Yerdon also shared information regarding reporting at home positive COVID-19 tests. This information can be found at https://health.oswegocounty.com/information/2019_novel_coronavirus/isolation_quarantine_guidance.php

There will be a hiring event for Oswego County Opportunities on February 17th from 1-3pm at the OCWNY office at 200 N. Second St in Fulton. All informational packets are on file in the Town Clerk's office.

C) Highway Superintendent Henry read the bills and repair and maintenance costs for January 2022. Superintendent Henry brought a few issues on Lester Rd to the board's attention. Logs have been skidded into and are being cut in the road, the front end of a truck is still in the right of way and has been nicked by the plow truck, and threats have been made to plow truck drivers who are feeling unsafe plowing that road. Supervisor Potter will call the Town attorney in the morning to discuss available legal options as well as calling the police to have an official report filed.

D) Tug Hill Representative Paul Baxter emailed his report, and it was read as written.

E) NOCA - NOCA representative Bob Trainham read his report. NOCA is trying to maintain three ambulances. So far, they have enough personnel. Costs for PPE and fuel continue to rise.

Public Comment: Warren Hauer commented that the sign board located at the front of the building needs updating and he thanked the Town Highway guys for making sure the fire

hydrants are all clear of snow.

CORRESPONDENCE: There was no correspondence since last month's meeting.

Approval of Minutes, Monthly Reports, Budget Adjustments, and Payment of Claims: all are on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

-A motion was made by Councilman Jeffrey Graham and seconded by Councilman David Lake to approve the January 11, 2022; Regular meeting minutes as written. (5 Ayes) Motion carries.

-A motion was made by Councilman Ryan Jones and seconded by Councilwoman Jessica Steele to approve the January 31, 2022; Emergency water meeting minutes as written. (5 Ayes) Motion carries.

-A motion was made by Councilman David Lake and seconded by Councilman Jeffrey Graham to approve the Town Clerk's report for January 2022. (5 Ayes) Motion carries.

- Supervisor's Monthly Report for November/December 2021 and January 2022 was tabled.

-A motion was made by Councilwoman Jessica Steele and seconded by Councilman Ryan Jones to approve payment of the following claims. (5 Ayes) Motion carries.

General Fund Abstract #02	Claims # 11-25	\$ 10,938.53
Highway Fund Abstract #02	Claims #09-20	\$ 39,951.91
Water Fund Abstract #02	Claims #03-06	\$ 696.18

-A motion was made by Councilwoman Jessica Steele and seconded by Councilman Jeffrey Graham to adjourn the meeting at 7:45PM. (5 Ayes) Motion carries.

Submitted February 9, 2022