

ORWELL TOWN BOARD
Regular Meeting
Orwell Town Hall
November 10, 2022
7:15 PM

Members Present:
Supervisor William Potter
Council Members: Jeffrey Graham, David Lake, Jessica Steele
Also Present:
CEO-John Howland
Oswego County Legislator- Herb Yerdon
Highway Superintendent- Doug Henry
Tug Hill Commission-Paul Baxter
NOCA-Bob Trainham
Town Clerk-Amber Wilson
Public present-Shirley Downes, Warren Hauer

Supervisor Potter opened the meeting at 7:15pm with the pledge of allegiance.

REPORTS:

A) CEO John Howland submitted his report of building permits and violations for the month. CEO Howland reported that the violation at 1783 CO RT 2 has been mostly picked up, the violation at 1668 CO RT 2 is in the process of being picked up, and complaints have been had about 1951 CO RT 2 and the homeowner is going to put a fence up. The court date for 92 and 94 Lester Rd is set for November 15th, 2022. Mr. Howland received a letter from the property owner at 1759 CO RT 2 stating that his tenants are in the process of cleaning up the mess and are complying to the best of their abilities. Mr. Howland advises that the Town Board hold off on the administrative hearing that had been previously discussed about that property.

B) Oswego County Legislator Herb Yerdon gave his report.

- The FDA has granted a 9-12 month shelf life extension on ihealth Labs, Inc and ihealth Covid-19 antigen rapid tests. For a full list go to [fda.gov/media/158007/download](https://www.fda.gov/media/158007/download)
- Fall open enrollment for Medicare runs from October 15th - December 7th. The Oswego County Office for the Aging is open from 8:30am-4pm Monday-Friday to assist with applications
- Oswego County Office for the Aging is offering 'curb to curb transportation for seniors'. This program makes rides available to seniors 60 and older Monday-Friday 9am-4pm. Transportation days are available based on the school district seniors live in and is free. There is a suggested contribution of \$3 for a one-way trip and \$5 for a round trip. For those with income 185% of the federal poverty level the suggested contribution is the cost of the trip which is \$17.30. To schedule a ride, call 315-598-1514 and tell the scheduler that the ride is for the 'curb to curb transportation for seniors' program.
- Felix Schoeller North America, Inc is working with County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency to do a renovation and reconstruction project.

C) Highway Superintendent Henry went over the bills and repairs and maintenance costs for the month of October. Some vulgar language was graffitied on the road on Salmon Run Road and was brought to Mr. Henry's attention. He has yet to look at it to determine the best course of action to remedy it. The Town trucks are ready for winter and Gary Sova has serviced the furnace in the town barn as well.

D) Tug Hill Representative Paul Baxter read his report as written

E) NOCA- NOCA Representative Bob Trainham gave his report. The corner lot on the NOCA property has been filled with fill from the neighboring building's project and Coffin's will be leveling it. The outside finance firm NOCA has been using for the last year has worked out well and has saved them money. Some of the lifepack equipment is out of date and two new ones have been ordered, however they are on back order, and it will be the end of 2023 before they will possibly be received.

F) Water Operator Eric Pappa was not in attendance, Supervisor Potter read his report. Nitrate testing for the quarter was completed and the levels went from 8.79-8.88. The next nitrate test will be in February. Usage is around 13,000 gallons a day.

Updates/Discussion:

A. Radar speed sign- Supervisor Potter received the speed sign and it has been installed. Councilman Graham commented that he thought it was too far off the road and therefore doesn't give a reading of your speed until you are very close to it. Supervisor Potter responded that adjustments can be made.

B. Harlan Electric Lease refund- Harlan Electric had been sending \$17,000 vs \$14,000 as was the price in the contract. They now would like a refund for the overage as it was a clerical error.

C. & D. Playground Survey and fence- both have been completed

E. Highway contract- Supervisor Potter plans to meet with Jon Roser the Deputy Highway Superintendent before the next meeting to discuss the Highway contract.

Public Comment: Warren Hauer asked about the progress on changing the speed on town roads. Supervisor Potter responded that he was having a hard time reaching Supervisor Wilkinson in Amboy for more information.

CORRESPONDENCE: Tug Hill times

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 David Lake and seconded by Councilman Jeffrey Graham to approve the October 4, 2022; Tentative Budget meeting minutes as written. (4 Ayes) Motion carries.

-A motion was made by Councilman Jeffrey Graham and seconded by Councilwoman Jessica Steele to approve the October 11, 2022; Regular meeting minutes as written. (4 Ayes) Motion carries.

-A motion was made by Councilwoman Jessica Steele and seconded by Councilman David Lake to approve the October 13, 2022; Budget meeting minutes as written. (4 Ayes) Motion carries.

-A motion was made by Councilwoman Jessica Steele and seconded by Councilman David Lake to approve the Town Clerk's report for October 2022. (4 Ayes) Motion carries.

- A motion was made by Councilman Jeffrey Graham and seconded by Councilman David Lake to approve the Supervisor's report for September 2022. (4 Ayes) Motion carries.

-A motion was made by Councilwoman Jessica Steele and seconded by Councilman Jeffrey Graham to approve the Supervisor's report for October 2022. (4 Ayes) Motion carries.

- A motion was made by Councilman Jeffrey Graham and seconded by Councilman David Lake to approve payment of the following claims. (4 Ayes) Motion carries.

General Fund Abstract #11	Claims # 166-184	\$	22,089.80
Highway Fund Abstract #11	Claims # 105-117	\$	22,839.38
Water Fund Abstract #11	Claims # 53-59	\$	13,726.68

-A motion was made by Councilwoman Jessica Steele and seconded by Councilman David Lake to adjourn the meeting at 7:50PM. (4 Ayes) Motion carries.

Submitted November 22, 2022