

December 15, 2015

State of New York
County of Fulton
Town of Oppenheim

Minutes of the Oppenheim Regular Board meeting held on December 15, 2015 at the Oppenheim Town Hall located at 110 Route 331, St. Johnsville, NY 13352.

Present

Cynthia Breh	--	Supervisor
Stephanie Gray	--	Councilwoman
Patricia Haberek	--	Councilwoman
Cheryl Lynch	--	Councilwoman
Gloria Brys	--	Town Clerk
Brian Miller	--	Assistant Highway Superintendent
Scott DeNinno	--	Codes Enforcement Officer

Absent

Richard Crum	--	Highway Superintendent
Gary Getman	--	Dog Control Officer
Joanne Capek-Young	--	Bookkeeper

Supervisor Cynthia Breh called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with the Pledge to the Flag.

Public Comment

Patricia Rudi – problem with neighbor’s rooster

Patricia Rudi wanted to know if there is a right to farm law in Oppenheim
Supervisor Breh said that she will check

Dale Tiedman

Mr. Tiedman wanted to know if it was expensive to put the legal notices on the website.
He said that it would be more informative to the public

Supervisor Breh said it cost more for everything like legal notices and local laws that you have put on the website.

Mr. Tiedman went over different line items in the budget because he had questions.

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Mr. Tiedman talked about the end of the Tiedman road where Mr. Johnson wants access to so he can get to land behind Tiedmans. He stated in 1997 he told Mr. Quackenbush who was Supervisor at the time that the road should be abandoned because it has been flooded for years and has not been maintained. The town never abandoned the road. He said the Tiedman Road has been shortened by 1/10 th of a mile.

Transfer Stickers

Town Clerk Brys said the transfer stickers will be on sale in January. The cost is \$10.00 and they will be good for 2 years.

Assessor Robert Haberek

Mr. Haberek said that Art Madison and he are certified and the past assessor did not get certified. He feels that if you are certified you should get paid more than someone who is not certified.

Town Clerk Brys stated that we went through this before. She had called the Association of Towns and was told that each assessor has to be paid the same except for the chairman who is paid more.

John Houle

Mr. Houle who is the newly elected Councilman starting January 1, 2016 stated that on January 13, 2016 they have training for newly elected officials. He said it is not required but it is recommended. He would like to attend the training. The cost is \$200.00 for Association Members. He said he would drive every day for 3 days and just put in for mileage.

Supervisor Breh said that she would check with the bookkeeper to see if there was money allocated for training.

Highway Report

Assistant Highway Superintendent Brian Miller said that he has received some of Rich Crum's files. He has noticed that the town has overpaid Jablonski's for 84 yards of sand. Mr. Crum also has a notebook with Vendor's names and telephone numbers in but Mr. Crum refuses to return it.

Mr. Miller said that the trucks are ready for winter. The highway department has been putting up some guiderails on Beldons Corner Road and Kringsbush Road. He said that they need Overhead Doors to come and give an estimate on the garage doors.

The Supervisor and the Board members thanked Brian Miller for doing such a good job.

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Codes Enforcement Officer Report

Scott DeNinno stated that the camper issue on the Cline Road has been resolved.

Suzanne Walsh Settlement

Supervisor Breh said that we owe the County \$146.34 for the Suzanne Walsh Settlement

Water in Town Hall

Supervisor Breh said that we need to install drinking water in the town hall because it is a law.

Motions

Motion made by Cheryl Lynch and seconded by Patricia Haberek to adopt Local Law #3 of 2015 Which is regulating the Maintenance of Real Property and the accumulation of junk within the Town of Oppenheim

ADOPTED

Ayes 4 Lynch, Haberek, Gray and Breh

Nays 0

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Stephanie Gray and seconded by Patricia Haberek to approve the minutes of November 17, 2015.

ADOPTED

Ayes 4 Gray, Haberek, Lynch and Breh

Nays 0

Executive Session

Motion made by Cheryl Lynch and seconded by Stephanie Gray to have an executive session at 8:05 pm on the Highway Contract

ADOPTED

Ayes 4 Lynch, Gray, Haberek and Breh

Nays 0

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Meeting was called back to order at 8:35 pm

Motion made by Stephanie Gray and seconded by Patricia Haberek to accept the Union Contract as negotiated.

ADOPTED

Ayes 4 Gray, Haberek, Lynch and Breh

Nays 0

Organizational meeting will be on January 4, 2016 at 6:30 pm

With no further business on a motion by Councilwoman Gray and seconded by Councilwoman Lynch, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm

Respectfully submitted

Gloria J. Brys, town Clerk