State of New York County of Fulton Town of Oppenheim

Minutes of the Oppenheim Regular Board meeting held on January 16, 2018 at the Oppenheim Town Hall located at 110 Route 331, St. Johnsville, NY 13452.

#### **Present**

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Cynthia Breh	 Supervisor
Patricia Haberek	 Councilwoman
Kathleen Montana	 Councilwoman
Dennis Yost	 Councilman
Gloria Brys	 Town Clerk
Scott DeNinno	 Highway Superintendent

#### <u>Absent</u>

John Houle	 Councilman
Joanne Capek-Young	 Bookkeeper
Billie Jo Getman	 Dog Control Officer

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

# <u> Town Historian – Hector Allen</u>

Hector Allen presented a scrapbook for the year 2017 and a written report of what had occurred in 2017. Mr. Allen discussed some of the news articles from 2017.

Supervisor Breh wanted to thank Mr. Allen for all of his years of service and said that he is doing a great job.

#### **Codes Enforcement officers position**

Scott DeNinno wanted to know why he was not appointed Codes Enforcement Officer. Dennis Yost stated that when he called him, he never returned his call. Also, Linda Peets says she has a problem with the fee schedule.

Mr. DeNinno stated that when her son Matt got a permit to build it was in April for \$200 and if they come back to renew the permit before a year is up then it costs only 50% of the original permit. He came back in June which was over a year, but he still only charged him the 50%, which was \$100.

Kathleen Montana wanted to know why there were no set hours for the codes enforcement officer. Mr. DeNinno stated because of his schedule.

Mr. DeNinno said that it was illegal to have the Ephratah's Code Officer sign the occupancy. Supervisor Breh said that \$75.00 was given to the bookkeeper. Mr. DeNinno stated that there is no fee for the occupancy. Supervisor Breh said then the \$25.00 will be refunded

# **Council Member Patricia Haberek**

Patricia Haberek said that she does not appreciated people calling her up and asking who was at her house and what did they want. She stated if there is something to bring to the board she will do it. She said at home it is her property and her own personal time.

#### **Bookkeepers Report**

Joanne Capek-Young was absent but had a written report for the board members She stated that we need to transfer money from one account to another.

Dennis Yost made a motion to accept the Bookkeepers Report and Patricia Haberek seconded it and all board members were in favor.

#### **Highway Report**

Scott DeNinno said that he appoints Brian Miller as Deputy Superintendent of Highways. He said that the town employees have done 2.27 miles of paving. Also, the 2012 Kenworth has been paid off. As far as the new heating system in the town garage, they are still waiting for the tanks.

Patricia Haberek made a motion to accept the Highway Report and Dennis Yost seconded it and all board members were in favor.

#### **Highway Inventory**

Supervisor Breh said that she needs an inventory of the Highway Department. Each truck needs its own inventory of what is in the truck.

# Town Clerks Report

Town Clerk Brys gave the board members a monthly report.

Patricia Haberek made a motion to accept the Town Clerks Report and Dennis Yost seconded it and all board members were in favor.

# **Dog Control Officers Report**

Billie Jo Getman handed in a written report of all the calls that she answered. She was very busy and one property had 33 dogs with no licenses. She got the owners to surrender all but 6 dogs. After the dogs had been removed, the owner signed a surrender form for each dog so that the town would not be responsible for the care of all the dogs and so that they all could be placed up for adoption.

Patricia Haberek made a motion to accept the Dog Control Officers Report and Dennis Yost seconded it and all board members were in favor.

# Furnace Report

Patricia Haberek had a written report of everything that has happened with the furnace. It was not working and Eric Watson came and said that the pipes over by the highway department were frozen. He unthawed them and suggested that it would help if they were on the other side in the office part. He put some insulation around the pipes until we decided what The town was to do.

#### Supervisor Breh stated the following:

By law we need 3 assessors. No one should be parking in the handicap parking unless they are handicapped

#### **Executive Session**

Patricia Haberek made a motion to have an executive session on personnel at 8:30 pm and Dennis Yost seconded it and Kathleen Montana and Supervisor Breh were in favor.

Supervisor Breh called the meeting back to order at 8:45 pm

# **Motions**

Motion made by Patricia Haberek and seconded by Kathleen Montana to opt out of the Family Leave Act of 2018.

Adopted Ayes – 4 Haberek, Montana, Yost, Breh Nays – 0 Absent – 1 Houle

Motion made by Patricia Haberek and seconded by Dennis Yost to appoint Dave Rackmeyer as Temporary Codes Enforcement Officer.

Adopted Ayes – 4 Haberek, Yost, Montana, Breh Nays - 0 Absent – 1 Houle

# Year-end reports

Motion made by Patricia Haberek and seconded by Kathleen Montana to accept the Town Clerks Yearly Report.

Adopted Ayes – 4 Haberek, Montana, Yost, Breh Nays – 0 Absent – 1 Houle Motion made by Dennis Yost and seconded by Patricia Haberek to accept Judge Joanne Capek-Youngs Yearly Report.

Adopted Ayes – 4 Yost, Haberek, Montana, Breh Nays - 0 Absent – 1 Houle

Motion made by Patricia Haberek and seconded by Kathleen Montana to do the following end of the year transfers:

To: A3510.4 Dog Control C/E \$40.00
From: A3610.4 Examining Board C/E
To: A1220.4 Supervisor C/E \$40.00
From: A3610.4 Examining Board C/E
To: A5182.4 Outdoor Lighting \$40.00
From: A3610.4 Examining Board C/E
To: DA9030.8 S.S/ Medicare \$45.00
From: DA9010.8 Retirement
To: DB9030.8 S.S./Medicare \$750.00
From: DB9010.8 Retirement
To: B9030.8 S.S./Medicare \$1.00
From: fv B9040.8 Workers Comp

Adopted Ayes - 4 Haberek, Montana, Yost, Breh Nays – 0 Absent – 1 Houle

Motion made by Patricia Haberek and second by Kathleen Montana to move \$25,000.00 In the Capital Reserve Fund

Adopted Ayes - 4 Haberek, Montana, Yost, Breh Nays – 0 Absent – 1 Houle

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Motion made by Patricia Haberek and seconded by Kathleen Montana to amend Resolution #42 Dated September 19, 2017 which states that all dog licenses are due in January. The license will now go back to the way it was before which will make the license due one year after you get it.

Adopted Ayes - 4 Haberek, Montana, Yost, Breh Nays - 0 Absent – 1 Houle

Motion made by Patricia Haberek and seconded by Dennis Yost to approve the Standard Work Day for Peter Stone, Linda Peets, and Arthur E. Madison Jr., who are elected officials

Adopted Ayes - 4 Haberek, Yost, Montana, Breh Nays - 0 Absent - 1 Houle

# **Approval of Minutes**

Motion made by Patricia Haberek and seconded Dennis Yost to accept the minutes of December19, 2017 and January 2, 2018

Approved Ayes – 4 Haberek, Yost, Montana, Breh Nays - 0 Absent - 1 Houle

Motion made by Kathleen Montana and seconded by Dennis Yost to authorize payment of the vouchers

Adopted Ayes – 4 Montana, Yost, Haberek, Breh Nays - 0 Absent - 1 Houle

With no further business on a motion by Councilwoman Haberek and seconded by Councilman Montana, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm