

State of New York

September 17, 2024

County of Fulton

Town of Oppenheim

Minutes of the Oppenheim Town Board meeting held on September 17, 2024 held at the Oppenheim Town Hall located at 110 State Highway 331, St. Johnsville. NY 13452

Present

Cynthia Breh	--	Supervisor
Kathleen Montana	--	Councilwoman
Nicholas Vasil	--	Councilman
Robert Norris	--	Councilman
Brian Miller	--	Councilman
Gloria Brys	--	Town Clerk

Absent

Scott DeNinno	--	Highway Superintendent
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Supervisor Cynthia Breh called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with the Pledge to the Flag.

Residents in attendance - 0

Public Comment - 6:31 pm.

There were no public comments.

Highway Report

Scott DeNinno was absent but had a written for the board members.

The Lotville Road Bridge project is on schedule. The abutment work is completed and the steel and wood deck are set. Backfill and guardrail installation still have to be finished. The Lotville Road section including the bridge and Weaver Road are scheduled to be paved on Monday 9/23/24. The road is scheduled to re-open as soon as the paving is completed.

Mr. DeNinno said he is having guardrail installed on the outside of the sharp corner on Mill Road, along with additional signage to warn of the sharp curve in an effort to reduce the number of vehicle accidents along that curve during the winter months. The inside guardrail will also be straightened and extended 25 feet.

Installation of shoulders is scheduled to be completed the week of 9/30 on all roads paved this year.

We are nearing completion of the final round of shoulder mowing for the year.

Cemetery mowing was completed for the final time this year during Labor Day week.

We will be completing some culver replacements for residents and some other odds and ends work once the Lotville project is complete, and then we will move right into winter preparations on the equipment.

Robert Norris made a motion to accept the Highway Report and Nicholas Vasil seconded it and Kathleen Montana and Supervisor Breh were in favor.

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Dog Control Officer

Karen Jaquay was absent and did not have a report.

Code Enforcement Officer

Dave Rackmyre submitted a report for the board members.

He issued 4 new permits

Mr. Rackmyre had 3 different individuals inquire about the burned house at 7633 State Highway 29. All seemed interested in the property and fixing garage and demolition of residence and construct a new residence.

He will be speaking at a training session on October 2, 2024 at FMCC.

Mr Rackmyre will be out of town on October 7, 8, 9, 2024 at a Codes Conference in Albany, NY

Brian Miller made a motion to accept the Code Enforcement Officers report and Robert Norris seconded it and Kathleen Montana, Nicholas Vasil and Supervisor Breh were in favor.

Bookkeepers Report

Joanne Capek-Young submitted a report for the board members.

There will be a Budget Workshop on October 2, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Kathleen Montana made a motion to accept the Bookkeepers report and Robert Norris seconded it and Nickolas Vasil, Brian Miller and Supervisor Breh were in favor.

Town Clerks Report

Town Clerk Brys presented the report for August 2024.

Brian Miller made a motion to accept the town clerks report and Kathleen Montana seconded it and Robert Norris, Nicholas Vasil and Supervisor Breh were in favor.

Supervisor Report

Supervisor Breh signed the RIGHTS-OF WAY USE AGREEMENT with Spectrum Northeast, LLC an Indirect subsidiary of Charter Communications, Inc.

Whereas, Carter proposes to place facilities aerially on existing utility poles or underground conduit in the Public Rights-of-Way within the town for the purpose of owning, constructing, installing, operating and maintaining a system for the provision of communications and relating services

National Grid is raising delivery up 20%.

MVP Silver 8 plan Health insurance for highway employees increased 5.9 percent which is a substantial cost to the Town of Oppenheim. In addition to the monthly premiums the Town of Oppenheim is responsible for co-pays through HRA funding, employee \$4,650 – employee and Spouse \$9.300.

The property purchase Title Search is under review by Girvin Ferlazzo, PC.

Lind Peets took a class for tax collector as there are changes.

Agriculture & Markets received 2 complaints regarding residents selling pumpkins and flowers. Both residents produced permits and are in compliance.

Brian Miller made a motion to accept the Supervisors report and Robert Norris seconded it and Kathleen Montana and Nicholas Vasil were in favor.

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Cameras

Brian Miller stated that he has not got any prices yet because the people have not called him back.

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Robert Norris and seconded by Nicholas Vasil to accept the minutes of August 20, 2024.

Adopted

Ayes - 5 Norris, Vasil, Montana, Miller, Breh

Nays - 0

Motions

Motion made by Robert Norris and seconded by Nick Vasil to accept Resolution #47 which is to accept the Hilltop Fire Company Contract.

Adopted

Robert Norris - Yes

Nicholas Vasil - Yes

Kathleen Montana - Yes

Brian Miller - Yes

Supervisor Breh - Yes

Motion made by Robert Norris and seconded by Brian Miller to accept Resolution #48 which says that the Town of Oppenheim will give the Hilltop Fire Company \$6,000 from the ARPA State Fiscal Reserve Fund once it is accepted.

Adopted

Robert Norris - Yes

Brian Miller - Yes

Kathleen Montana - Yes

Nicholas Vasil - Yes

Supervisor Breh - Yes

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Motion Made by Robert Norris and seconded by Nicholas Vasil to accept Resolution #49 which says that The Town of Oppenheim will give the Oppenheim Fire Company \$6,000 from the ARPA State Fiscal Reserve Fund once it is accepted.

Adopted

Robert Norris - Yes

Nicholas Vasil - Yes

Kathleen Montana - Yes

Brian Miller - Yes

Supervisor Breh - Yes

Motion made by Robert Norris and seconded Nicholas Vasil to authorize payment of vouchers. The total for General Vouchers is \$11,452.86 and the total for the Highway Vouchers is \$78,243.59.

Adopted

Ayes - 5 Norris, Vasil, Montana, Miller Breh

Nays - 0

With no further business on a motion by Brian Miller and seconded by Kathleen Montana the meeting was adjourned at 6.55pm.

Respectfully submitted

Gloria J. Brys