

June 21, 2016

State of New York  
County of Fulton  
Town of Oppenheim

Minutes of the Oppenheim Regular Board meeting held on June 21, 2016 at the Oppenheim Town Hall located at 110 Route 331, St. Johnsville, NY 13452.

**Present**

Cynthia Breh	--	Supervisor
Patricia Haberek	--	Councilwoman
Cheryl Lynch	--	Councilwoman
John Houle	--	Councilman
Stephanie Gray	--	Councilwoman
Gloria Brys	--	Town Clerk
Scott DeNinno	--	Highway Superintendent
Joanne Capek-Young	--	Bookkeeper
Scott DeNinno	--	Codes Enforcement Officer

**Absent**

Billie Jo Getman	--	Dog Control Officer
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Supervisor Cynthia Breh called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with the Pledge to the Flag.

**Fulton County Planning Board**

Jim Mraz Fulton County Planning Board Director was present to discuss the possibility for the Town of Oppenheim to apply for a grant to build a new Town Hall/Highway Garage. He stated that the report from Charlie Ackerbauer states that the building has several code issues. The report is as follows:

- Roof and walls inadequately insulated
- Wall separating garage from office area does not meet code
- No sprinkler system
- Restroom is not handicap accessible
- Boiler room has no fire protection
- Old inefficient boiler
- Inadequate space for Town offices
- Sections of masonry wall deteriorated due to water and weather exposure

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Mr. Mraz said the town has 3 options. We could repair existing Town Hall/Garage, construct new Town Hall/Garage or construct a new Town Hall and keep existing Garage.

The town would need to know costs that would be associated with each option in order to decide which option is more feasible. In order to obtain this information, the town will need to hire an Engineer / Architect to evaluate all three options.

The Town can issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) to Architects/Engineers to obtain the cost proposals. The Planning Department could prepare and distribute the RFP free of charge to the Town.

### **Bookkeeper Report**

JoAnne Capek-Young was present and had a report for the board members

### **Codes Enforcement Report**

Codes Enforcement Officer Scott DeNinno gave the board members a report. He collected \$775.00 for permits

It was stated that there was supposed to be a rock concert on the Lotville Road. Scott DeNinno stated that he cannot do anything about it because the Local Law for public gathering has not been filed yet.

Supervisor Breh said that she would call the Attorney to check on the local laws.

### **Dog Control Officer**

Billie Jo Getman was absent but sent a report of the calls that she answered.

### **Highway Report**

Scott DeNinno stated that the Kringsbush Road, Stahl Road and Flanders Road are done. He stated that they are going to do 1.5 miles of the Mill Road with Cold Mix which will cost about \$124,000.00. He is still waiting for a quote from Hanson's. They will be grinding the Mill Road next week.

He said that there was a bid of \$4,550.00 for the 2000 International truck.

Supervisor Breh ask about the LED lights for out front on the building. Scott DeNinno said they cost about \$100.00 apiece. Supervisor Breh told Scott DeNinno to replace the lights.

### **Small truck that Highway wants to purchase**

Cheryl Lynch said that she would like to hold off on the purchase of the small truck for a year and Patricia Haberek agreed.

Supervisor Breh stated that the CHIPS should be used for the roads and not for purchasing a new truck. She said she would also like to put a hold on purchasing the truck until we work on the budget for next year.

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**Front Door**

Kevin Barton is going to replace the front door next week for a total cost of \$975.00.

**Water Cooler**

Supervisor Breh wanted to thank Patricia Haberek for picking up the water cooler for the town hall.

**Time Clock**

Bill Reynolds is going to install the time clock and also is going to check the bookkeepers computer.

**Grievance Board**

Supervisor Breh stated that the Grievance Board needs a laptop to put information on. The board decided to put it in the budget for next year.

**Senior Citizens**

Patricia Haberek gave a report from the senior citizens to all the board members. In the report it stated that the septic system had to be replaced for a total cost of \$7,150.00. The report stated that it should be noted that having the septic problem has nearly depleted their reserve finances for emergencies.

**Cemeteries**

John Houle stated that he was against mowing the cemeteries but he did research and said that the town is responsible for mowing and the fencing at the cemeteries but the town is not responsible for the stones on the graves.

**Letter from Joyce and Dick Ploss**

The letter was to commend the Highway Department for mowing the cemeteries on the Voorhees Road and also to thank the Historical Society for the flags that they placed on the graves.

**Letter from Pamela Lamphere**

The letter wanted to thank the Highway Department for the great job that they did mowing the cemeteries.

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Motions

Motion made by Cheryl Lynch and seconded by Stephanie Gray authorizing Supervisor Cynthia Breh to submit the CFA and any other documents to the Fulton County Planning Board that would support the Town seeking a new Town Hall/Highway Garage

Adopted

Ayes - 4 - Lynch, Gray, Haberek and Houle

Nays - 0

Motion made by John Houle and seconded by Patricia Haberek to sell the 2000 International Truck for \$4,550.00

Adopted

Ayes 5 - Houle, Haberek, Gray, Lynch and Breh

Nays - 0

Motion made by Stephanie Gray and seconded by Cheryl Lynch to approve Resolution #28 which is as follows:

Resolution #28

Resolved that the Town board of the Town of Oppenheim hereby approves the deferred loan using program income from the Oppenheim CDHC Home Repair Project for applicant number OHR-001-16 as recommended by the Fulton County Community Heritage Corporation on the individual Loan Summary and Recommendation form.

Approved

Ayes - 5 Gray, Lynch, Haberek, Houle, and Breh

Nays - 0

Motion made by Cheryl Lynch and seconded by Patricia Haberek to authorize payment of The vouchers

Adopted

Ayes - 5 Lynch, Haberek, Gray, Houle and Breh

Nays - 0

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**Approval of Minutes**

Motion made by Stephanie Gray and seconded by Patricia Haberek to approve the minutes of May 9, 2016, May 17, 2016, May 23, 2016 and May 31, 2016

Adopted

Ayes - 5 Gray, Haberek, Lynch, Houle and Breh

Nays - 0

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

Respectfully submitted

Gloria J. Brys, Town Clerk