

February 21, 2017

State of New York
County of Fulton
Town of Oppenheim

Minutes of the Oppenheim Regular Board meeting held on February ,21 2017 at the
Oppenheim Town Hall located at 110 Route 331, St. Johnsville, NY 13452.

Present

Cynthia Breh	--	Supervisor
Patricia Haberek	--	Councilwoman
John Houle	--	Councilman
Stephanie Gray	--	Councilwoman
Gloria Brys	--	Town Clerk
Scott DeNinno	--	Highway Superintendent
Scott DeNinno	--	Codes Enforcement Officer

Absent

Cheryl Lynch	--	Councilwoman
Billie Jo 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 Hearing

Supervisor Breh opened the public hearing to discuss the Pilot Program. Anyone present may speak for or against the Pilot Program.

Bookkeepers Report

Joanne Capek-Young was absent but sent the board members a report. She stated that she is working on the annual report and should have it finished by the March meeting. She said that the town received \$55,000.00 for the 4th quarter sales tax.

Dog Control Officer

Billie Jo Getman was absent but sent a written report. She has given a verbal notice of 30 days to a couple of residents who have dogs and no licenses. After 30 days she will issue tickets

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Codes Enforcement Officer

Scott DeNinno was present but did not have a written report. He stated that he collected \$404.00 for the month. He has no pending permits and no violations.

Mr. DeNinno presented a permit fee schedule for 2017 for the board members to review.

Highway Department Report

Scott DeNinno stated that the new mini dump truck is here. He had the lights upgraded and also got a heavy duty plow. He is going to have the Town of Oppenheim lettering put on truck.

The employees have been working on the breakroom.

Mr. DeNinno stated this year the Highway Department plans on doing the rest of the Mill Road, Warner Road, Iris Road and part of the King Road.

Mr. DeNinno is also going to call Mirabito who is delivering our fuel and gasoline because we received an invoice and they are charging us tax.

Bottled Water

Supervisor Breh stated that we are now getting the water from W.B. Mason.

Motions

Motion made by Stephanie Gray and seconded by Patricia Haberek to approve the fee schedule for 2017 for the Codes Enforcement Officer

Adopted

Ayes – 4 Gray, Haberek, Houle, Breh

Absent – Lynch

Motion made by Patricia Haberek and seconded by Stephanie Gray to accept the Mang Insurance Policy for a total of \$20,827.79.

Adopted

Ayes – 4 Haberek, Gray, Houle, Breh

Absent – Lynch

Motion made by John Houle and seconded by Stephanie Gray to have a public hearing on March 21, 2017 to adopt Local Law #1 of 2017 which is establishing regulation for Solar Farm Permits within the Town of Oppenheim

Adopted

Ayes - 4 Houle, Gray, Haberek, Breh

Absent – Lynch

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Motion made by Patricia Haberek and seconded by John Houle to approve Resolution #34 which is as follows:

RESOLUTION #34

WHEREAS, Real Property Tax Law section 487 provides that real property that contains a solar or wind energy system approved by the State Energy Research and Development Authority is exempt from taxation for a period of 15 years to the extent of any increase in assessed value due to the system and

WHEREAS, the Town of Oppenheim may choose to disallow said exemption or may choose to require that the property owner enter into a contract for payments in lieu of taxes,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Oppenheim shall require that any property owner obtaining the exemption under RPTL 487 shall be required to enter into a contract for payments in lieu of taxes covering the period of the exemption, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution provides notice to current or future property owners of the Town's directives as it relates to the obligation to enter into a payment in lieu of taxes.

Adopted

Ayes – 4 Haberek, Houle, Gray, Breh

Absent - Lynch

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by John Houle and seconded by Patricia Haberek to approve the minutes of January 17, 2017

Adopted

Ayes - 4 Houle, Haberek, Gray, and Breh

Absent – Lynch

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Motion made by Stephanie Gray and seconded by Patricia Haberek to accept the Proclamation Honoring the Oppenheim-Ephratah-St. Johnsville Central School District Middle and High School Band. It is as follows:

PROCLAMATION

HONORING THE OPPENHEIM-EPHRATAH-St .JOHNSVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL BAND

WHEREAS, the Town of Oppenheim honors and recognizes the Oppenheim-Ephratah-St. Johnsville Middle-High School Band on their recent trip to Washington, D.C. to participate in the Presidential pre-inaugural events.

WHEREAS, under the direction of Mrs. Mott the Oppenheim-Ephratah-St. Johnsville Middle-High School Band performed at Fort McHenry, the Jefferson Memorial and the National Cathedral.

WHEREAS, the Oppenheim-Ephratah-St. Johnsville Middle-High School Band has brought great credit to their school, Towns and Village through the numerous honors they have received, confirming what hard work and dedication can accomplish.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, the Town of Oppenheim Supervisor and Town Council joins with the community to congratulate Mrs. Matt and the Oppenheim-Ephratah-St. Johnsville Middle-High School Band for their great accomplishment.

Adopted

Ayes – 4 Gray, Haberek, Houle, Breh

Absent - Lynch

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Motion made by Patricia Haberek and seconded by John Houle to authorize payment of the vouchers

Ayes – 4 Haberek, Houle, Gray and Breh

Absent – Lynch

With no further business on a motion by Councilwoman Haberek and seconded by Councilwoman Gray, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Gloria J. Brys, Town Clerk