

Town of Olive
County of Ulster
State of New York
Thursday, April 9, 2009

Minutes of a special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Olive held Thursday, April 9, 2009, 1:00 pm at the Town Meeting Hall in Shokan, NY. The purpose of the meeting is to meet with an Ulster County Planning Board representative to review and discuss the NYCDEP Designated Hamlet areas.

Members Present: Berndt Leifeld, Supervisor
 Henry Rank, Board Member
 Helen Chase, Board Member
 Peter Friedel, Board Member

Member Absent: Bruce La Monda, Board Member

Others Present: Robert Leibowitz, Ulster County Planning Board Principal Planner;
 Drew Boggess, Olive Planning Board Chairman

Supervisor Leifeld introduced Mr. Leibowitz who presented visual information regarding the City of New York DEP revised proposal for hamlet designations. The Town Board reviewed the plat submitted by the NYC DEP and offered a few small revisions.

All business pertinent having been discussed the Town Board adjourned at 2:15 pm on a Leifeld/Chase motion.

Sylvia Rozzelle, Town Clerk

Town of Olive
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Monday, April 13, 2009

Minutes of the monthly audit meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Olive held Monday, April 13, 2009, 7:30 pm at the Town Meeting Hall in Shokan, NY.

Members Present: Berndt Leifeld, Supervisor
 Bruce La Monda, Board Member
 Helen Chase, Board Member
 Peter Friedel, Board Member
Member Absent: Henry Rank, Board Member

The Town Board audited the bills for the month of March and set the agenda for the April 14th meeting.

All business pertinent having been discussed the Town Board adjourned at 8:40 pm on a Leifeld/La Monda motion.

Sylvia B. Rozzelle, Town Clerk

Town of Olive
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Tuesday, April 14, 2009

Minutes of the monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Olive held Tuesday, April 14, 2009 held at 7:30 pm at the Town Meeting Hall in Shokan, NY.

Members Present: Berndt Leifeld, Supervisor
 Henry Rank, Board Member
 Helen Chase, Board Member
 Bruce La Monda, Board Member
 Peter Friedel, Board Member
Recording Secretary: Sylvia Rozzelle, Town Clerk
Others Present: Jimmy Fugel, Highway Superintendent; Bill Cook, Assessor

On a La Monda/Chase motion the Town Board approved the minutes of the March meetings as submitted by the Town Clerk.

No monthly correspondence was submitted.

Supervisor Leifeld stated that Miranda Bernholz and Melody O'Connor are Town of Olive residents who are on the high school basketball team at Coleman and recently won the New York Class D High School Championships. On a Leifeld/Chase motion the Town Board unanimously requested that letters of congratulations be sent to Miranda and Melody.

On a La Monda/Chase motion the Town Board approved payment of the following audited bills: Highway Vouchers #74-#119, \$38,961.02; General Fund Prepaid Voucher #114, \$252.00; General Fund Vouchers #115-#175, \$45,387.61; and Special Lighting District Voucher #2, \$97.07.

Supervisor Leifeld noted the monthly income for February as cash received, \$759,885.78 and interest, \$31.28. He stated Bank of America is not giving any interest and has increased their fees so he is checking with a few other banks for better interest and rates.

On a Leifeld/La Monda motion the Town Board approved the following General Fund budget modifications:

Transfer \$4,483.00 from Reserve "B" Transfer Station to 8160.4 Refuse and Garbage

Transfer \$1,982.00 from Reserve "R" Records Management to 1460.4 Records Management

Under New Business: On a Leifeld/Friedel motion the Town Board approved the appointment of Tom Planz as member to the Board of Assessment Review. Mr. Planz will fill the vacancy created by Doris Blakely's resignation. His term will begin immediately and will expire 9/30/10.

Supervisor Leifeld stated a new roof is needed for the American Legion Hall and they have received three (3) price quotes for its repair. They will be checking with NYS Audit and Control to see if it needs to go out for bid.

Under Old Business: Supervisor Leifeld stated that last month the Town Board asked the superintendent about the school board members' stance on large parcel and he followed up with a letter to the school board members. To date no one has responded to his letter. He stated he felt the Town Board should continue to pursue this issue. Board Member Chase stated we have asked and we should continue to ask. Board Member La Monda stated he felt it is rude for them to not answer. On a La Monda/Friedel motion the Town Board approved sending a letter to all school board members strongly requesting an answer to their position on large parcel.

Supervisor Leifeld noted the Town will go back to the original building plans for the Transfer Station building. Stephen Molmed is currently developing new plans and specifications and the Town Board will be rebidding the project. He noted by doing it this way, whatever it costs the insurance company will have to come up with that figure.

On a La Monda/Chase motion the Town Board approved putting out the American Legion Hall roof to bid.

The following committee reports were filed:

PARKS & RECREATION liaison Board Member Chase submitted report #23-09 outlining priorities for park improvements and/or repairs. Discussion occurred about the Grant Avery Park tennis courts need for resurfacing. Supervisor Leifeld stated though no bids have been received the cost could be upwards of \$75,000. It was noted this is a shovel ready project and might be eligible for stimulus money. Linda Burkhardt stated barriers are needed at Tongore Park to keep people from driving on the soccer field.

FIRST AID liaison Board Member Chase submitted report #24-09 noting the unit responded to 20 calls in February and 26 calls for March.

Board Member Chase stated that on Thursday, April 30th Olive will be hosting the Catskill Collaborative meeting at the Olive Free Library. Details will be presented regarding plans for the Route 28 corridor. One student is working on a design plan for a Shokan roadside picnic park. She noted a \$50,000 grant was received for planning along the Route 28 corridor.

HIGHWAY liaison Board Member Rank submitted report #25-09 outlining work performed by the department during the month of March. Board Member Chase commended the Highway Department for seeing that the town roads were cleared of the accumulated winter sand.

POLICE COMMISSIONER La Monda submitted report #26-09 noting a total of 98 calls for the month of March.

TRANSFER STATION liaison Board Member Friedel submitted February report #27-09 noting total revenues of \$6,875.00 and total expenses for the month of \$5,131.59. Tri State Recycling removed 150 gallons of oil at no charge.

TOWN CLERK Rozzelle stated several people have been researching the Archives over the past month to produce two documentaries on the Catskills. She stated while providing documents for them she stumbled across information in the Vera Sickler Collection regarding the school district. She stated in 1972 the total Ontario school district enrollment was 3,323 and the 1971-72 school budget was \$5,117,931.

Supervisor Leifeld stated he received a recent email regarding the proposed NYS DEC burning regulations. He noted the Town Board sent a letter in opposition to the proposed regulations last summer. He stated he felt we needed to respond again with particular attention paid to the impact on towns if Transfer Stations have to accommodate these new regulations. On a Leifeld/La Monda motion the Town Board approved sending a letter to the NYS DEC opposing these regulations.

Supervisor Leifeld stated that Verizon sent someone today up on South Mountain to turn off the light at the wireless site. However, in conversation with Greg Desanna he stated the other light is on his cabin while he is staying up there.

Board Member La Monda stated that supposedly the county received money under the stimulus package to redo Route 28 from 375 to the county line. However, the Ulster County Legislature decided to do only Phase one. Blake Killin stated that 30% went to the DOT and is not enough to do the entire job in Ulster County.

All business pertinent having been discussed the Town Board adjourned at 8:25 pm on a Leifeld/La Monda motion in memory of Rose Covello, Edith Kahmke, and Ralph Mattson.

Sylvia B. Rozzelle, Town Clerk