

Town of Olive  
County of Ulster  
State of New York  
Monday, May 5, 2008

Minutes of the monthly audit meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Olive held Monday, May 5, 2008, 7:30 pm.

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   Henry Rank, Board Member  
   Helen Chase, Board Member  
   Peter Friedel, Board Member  
Member Absent:                Bruce La Monda, Board Member  
Others Present:                Jimmy Fugel, Highway Superintendent

The Town Board audited the bills for the month of April and set the agenda for the May 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The Town Board discussed amendments to the medical insurance benefits for town employees.

All business pertinent having been discussed the Town Board adjourned at 8:45 pm on a Leifeld/Rank motion.

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Recording Secretary:        Sylvia Rozzelle, Town Clerk  
Others Present:                Jimmy Fugel, Highway Superintendent; Tim Cox, Town Justice  
and CWC Attorney; Drew Boggess, Planning Board Chairman; Bill Cook, and Sole  
Assessor

On a Chase/Rank motion the Town Board approved the minutes of the April meetings as submitted by the Town Clerk.

The following correspondence was read and filed:

#30-08

David Murphy of Hacker & Murphy notes the Town of Olive and City of New York agreement is now in the hands of the City attorneys for execution by the appropriate City official. He noted the Town of Hurley trial was completed on April 21<sup>st</sup> and the attorneys will be submitting post-trial briefs sometime in June or mid-July.

#31-08

Jeremy Magliano, Cornell Cooperative representative on the Esopus Stream Project, has been promoted and is moving to Albany. Supervisor Leifeld noted to date there has not been a replacement for this position.

On a Rank/Chase motion the Town Board approved payment of the following audited bills: Highway Vouchers #131-#167, \$65,291.21; General Fund Vouchers #187-#247, \$73,092.85; and Special Lighting Voucher #4, \$44.82.

Under Old Business: On a Leifeld/Friedel motion the Town Board approved the appointment of Robert Selkowitz as an alternate to the Central Catskill Collaborative. It was noted that Council Member Chase was appointed last month as member.

Supervisor Leifeld noted the monthly income as cash received for March, \$20,391.36 and interest for March as \$7,232.23.

On a Leifeld/Chase motion the Town Board approved the following budget modifications:

Transfer \$500.00 from A1990.4 Contingency to A3510.4 Control of Dogs (cont.)

Increase A2705 Gifts & Donations \$6,000.00 (Onteora Babe Ruth League)

Increase A7140.4 Playgrounds & Rec Center (cont.) \$6,000.00

Transfer \$2,000.00 from A1990.4 Contingency to A7140.4 Playground & Rec Center (cont.)

Under New Business: Supervisor Leifeld noted that Senator Bonacic has introduced Senate Bill #S7799 for the purpose of establishing that water supply reservoirs shall not be considered large property for the purpose of alternative school tax apportionment. On a Leifeld/Chase motion the Town Board approved sending a thank you letter to Senator Bonacic and another letter be sent to Assemblyman Cahill to see if he would sponsor a similar bill in the Assembly.

Supervisor Leifeld noted they held a sale at Trail Nursery to get rid of items inside the building with the funds to benefit the Town of Olive Dog Fund. He stated the sale took in \$3,277.50.

The following committee reports were filed:

HIGHWAY committee liaison Council Member Rank submitted report #32-08 noting the department swept all town roads; cleaned ditches on Traver Hollow, Piney Point, Center Lane, and Brunel Drive; are preparing Dancing Rock Road and Church Street for

motopaving; replaced pipes on Moonhaw, Dancing Rock and Piney Point; and washed and stored all sanders for summer.

RECREATION committee liaison Council Member Chase submitted report #33-08 stating youth basketball has ended, Little League now has two teams with the Hurley Little League program; adult softball season may be delayed due to incomplete paper work in both the men's and women's leagues; summer recreation camp will begin July 7<sup>th</sup> and concludes on August 14<sup>th</sup>; Brian Beckwith is head of the Olive Athletic Association which runs the soccer program; and Davis Park field has been prepped for the Babe Ruth League.

FIRST AID liaison Council Member Chase submitted March report #34-08 noting that 29 calls out of 31 were responded to with full crew and ambulance.

TRANSFER STATION liaison Council Member Friedel submitted report #35-08 noting \$725.00 in permits and \$5,275.00 in cards were received for the month of March.

TOWN COURT Justice Cox noted the court has received a new computer and printer from the state court system and will be making the transitions of files. He noted the new system will be directly owned by the state as will the laptop which serves as a digital recorder. He noted the old computer will be given to the Supervisor's office for distribution to another town department.

CATSKILL COLLABORATIVE representative Chase stated that the collaborative is made up of Route 28 corridor towns from Hurley to Andes along with Fleischmanns and Margaretville. She noted that Smart Growth is another organization for the same towns, with the exception of Hurley, and moneys from this group are basically for main streets program. She stated there may be some things for the town to apply for. The third group, Coastal Resources, is composed of planning moneys which will be coming out of the Department of State due to the Esopus Creek being in our town.

TOWN CLERK report #35-08 noted \$44,092.65 in Clerk Revenues and \$92,293.07 in Tax Collections for the month of April

Blake Killin stated that word on the street is that Verizon is locating sometime next week on the Masterpage tower. Supervisor Leifeld stated that after making phone calls every two weeks to Masterpage and getting no information, he couldn't really say. Supervisor Leifeld stated the court ordered the tower erected and there are quite a few problems. He noted that there are also areas that aren't covered that the applicant said would be covered. Council Member Rank stated there are issues regarding access to the site to make repairs. Supervisor Leifeld stated that perhaps the best way to get the fastest service is to put up another tower.

Linda Burkhardt as Chairman of the Recreation Committee noted that there are eighteen participants in the Senior Art Class and there will be an art show displaying the work of the class—perhaps in July or August.

Supervisor Leifeld thanked the members of the Town Board for their work in the sale at Trail Nursery and specifically thanked Bev Stein for her work. Supervisor Leifeld stated that the garden club always volunteers to keep the town areas planted each year with

the Town Board agreeing that their club should take what's left at the nursery to sell at their annual Memorial Day Sale.

All business pertinent having been discussed the Town Board adjourned at 8:05 pm on a Leifeld/Rank motion in memory of Don Avery, Patricia DeYoung, Eileen Monahan, Robert Powell, and Albert Rother.

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