

Town of Olive
County of Ulster
State of New York
May 2, 2005

Minutes of the monthly audit meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Olive held Monday, May 2, 2005, 7:30 pm at the Town Meeting Hall in Shokan, NY.

Members Present: Berndt Leifeld, Supervisor
 Henry Rank, Council Member
 Helen Chase, Council Member
 Bruce La Monda, Council Member
Member Absent: Linda Burkhardt, Council Member

Others Present: Everett Cook, ZBA Member; Jimmy Fugel, Highway Superintendent; Henry Lamont of Lamont Engineering; Alan Roosa, CWC Director; Tim Cox, CWC Attorney; Elizabeth Mastrianni, CWC Professional Engineer, and Robert DeGiorgio, Professional Engineer from LMS Environmental Science & Engineering Consultants.

The Town Board audited the bills for the month of April and discussed the agenda for the May 3rd meeting.

Members of the CWC, Henry Lamont, and Robert DeGiorgio were present to outline and explain the procedures for the proposed wastewater treatment facility in Boiceville. Supervisor Leifeld stated he is having a difficult time getting an appraiser to appraise the subject property in Boiceville. It was noted that a public informational hearing will be held Thursday, May 26th, 7:30 pm at the Town Meeting Hall in Shokan.

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

Sylvia Rozzelle, Town Clerk

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Minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Olive held Tuesday, May 3, 2005, 7:30 pm at the Town Meeting Hall in Shokan, NY.

Members Present: Berndt Leifeld, Supervisor
 Henry Rank, Council Member
 Helen Chase, Council Member
 Bruce La Monda, Council Member
 Linda Burkhardt, Council Member
Recording Secretary: Sylvia Rozzelle, Town Clerk
Others Present: Everett Cook, ZBA Member

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:

36-05

Supervisor Leifeld stated that since several school board members don't understand what their role is regarding the Large Parcel Law he requested our attorneys issue a written opinion. Patrick I. Seely, Attorney with Hacker & Murphy, LLP, responded to Supervisor Leifeld's request to render an opinion of the options available to a school district under the Large Parcel Law each year. Mr. Seely states the school district has three options: 1) vote to reject re-apportioning taxes under the large parcel apportionment; 2) vote to implement the large parcel reapportionment; and 3) take no vote on the issue. Council Member La Monda stated he has given the letter to the school board at a recent meeting and they did not appear to be interested in knowing where their alternatives are. Supervisor Leifeld stated this particular election of the school board could be very important for the town and we need to have school board members that are interested in the Town of Olive.

#37-05

On a Leifeld/La Monda motion the Town Board unanimously approved the appointment of Ron Temple, 2 Mountain Valley Road, Boiceville, NY as member to the Olive Fire Department.

#38-05

Ulster County Transportation Council will hold a meeting at the Olive Free Library, Tuesday, May 17th at 10:00 a.m. regarding the proposed study on the feasibility and costs of implementing a rail-with-trail system from Kingston Point to the Belleayre Ski Resort.

#39-05

NY City DEP announced that the parking area at Monument Road and the Olivebridge Dam will be temporarily closed as the DEP begins operations to remove floating materials that were washed into the reservoir by last week's flood.

#40-05

Congressman Maurice Hinchey stated that FEMA would have representatives in Ulster County by April 23rd to begin the assessment process and relief/recovery efforts due to the recent flooding.

On a Chase/Burkhardt motion the Town Board approved payment of the following audited bills: Highway Vouchers #116-#145, \$38,948.20; General Fund Prepaid Vouchers #163-#164, \$1,086.06; General Fund Vouchers #165-#220, \$41,625.24#145, \$38,948.20; General Fund Prepaid Vouchers #163-#164, \$1,086.06; General Fund Vouchers #165-#220, \$41,625.24; and Special Lighting Voucher #4, \$35.29.

Supervisor Leifeld started the revaluation of properties in Olive has begun with data collectors being trained and out collecting data. He noted that assessments will not take effect until the entire town has been completed.

Supervisor Leifeld noted the Memorial Day Parade and Services will be held Monday, May 30th, 9 a.m. in West Shokan.

Supervisor Leifeld stated that a special informational meeting will be held Thursday, May 26th, 7:30 pm at the Town Meeting Hall. Representatives from the CWC and Lamont Engineering will present information regarding the proposed wastewater treatment facility in Boiceville.

Supervisor Leifeld noted the monthly income for March as \$48,414.15 and interest received through March 2005 as \$4,955.27.

The following committee reports were read and filed:

FIRST AID liaison Council Member Chase submitted March report #41-05 showing 14 calls responded to, 523 man hours volunteered, and 266 miles traveled.

PARKS & RECREATION liaison Council Member Burkhardt submitted April 13th Recreation Committee minutes (#42 -05) noting Summer Recreation will run July 5th through August 11th, Little League will open May 14th, and repairs and maintenance of facilities has been assessed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT report #43-05 noted responses for the Olive Fire Department during the month of March.

TRANSFER STATION liaison Council Member Chase submitted March report #44-05 showing monthly revenues as \$4,490.00 and 47.47 tons removed at a cost of \$3,797.60.

POLICE Commissioner La Monda stated the Commissioners will have a meeting on the 17th of May.

TOWN CLERK Rozzelle stated the Help America Vote Act state committee will be meeting again and suggested that people contact committee members to urge them to adopt Paper Ballot Optical Scan voting machines versus the touch screen voting machines. Town Clerk Monthly report #45-05 for April showed \$72,418.88 in tax collections and \$39,737.60 in clerk revenues. Town Clerk Rozzelle expressed concern that Onteora School District Clerk Jean Shultis advised her that the school attorney

states that copies of the sample ballots will only be placed at the polling places and not provided to the Town Clerk's office as requested. She also expressed concern that the Onteora Central School District Clerk will only release a form for applying for an absentee ballot to the specific individual who calls that office. Town Clerk Rozzelle stated she felt that the forms should be readily available throughout the district.

Supervisor Leifeld stated he contacted the Ulster County Real Property director to obtain professional sources in which the town could place an advertisement for an Assessor. Supervisor Leifeld stated that one ad would cost \$150.00. General consensus of the Town Board was to place ads in professional magazines. Also, general consensus of the Town Board is to hire someone in town, if possible, noting they will change the position to a full time assessor with the pay scale also being adjusted.

On a Leifeld/La Monda the Town Board approved transfer of \$326.00 from Reserve "R" Records Management to A1460.4 Records Management Contractual.

Supervisor Leifeld stated the Highway Superintendent has requested he be able to purchase a pick up truck off of state bid. On a Leifeld/Rank motion the Town Board unanimously approved said purchase.

Council Member Chase stated that in anticipation of the information meeting on May 26th she requested the press give a little more information regarding this. Supervisor Leifeld stated that there could be a lot of problems in the future in Boiceville noting the town is in the beginning stages of the proposal for wastewater treatment in Boiceville. He stated there are three more stages to go through before the town is totally tied into the project noting that much more information is needed. He noted that the project would be expensive. He stated that if the town opts to walk away from this now then in ten years NY State may come back and say we must build it totally on our own with our own money and no financial assistance. Cindy Johansen stated her main objection is the school noting they are directly dumping on her property and they have a SPEDES permit to do so. She stated she feels the school should have to pay for this and not the Town of Olive. Council Member La Monda stated there is a lot the town doesn't know yet concerning this proposed project. He stated what bothers him is that Olive would have the same system as Phoenicia but we don't have the people to tie into it. He noted that home owners would be subsidized but commercial can't be and will bear the brunt of it. General discussion occurred about the need for this project in Boiceville being due to the Onteora School.

All business pertinent having been discussed the Town Board adjourned at 8:45 pm on a Leifeld/La Monda motion in memory of William Plitz.

Sylvia Rozzelle, Town Clerk