

Town of Olive
County of Ulster
State of New York
Thursday, November 8, 2012

Minutes of a Public Hearing of the Town Board of the Town of Olive held Thursday, November 8, 2012 7:00 pm. The purpose of the Public Hearing as stated in the legal notice was to hear all in favor of or those opposed to any item or items in the contract between the Town of Olive and the Olive Fire Department Company #1 Incorporated. Said contract would provide fire protection for the Town of Olive for a three year period beginning January 1, 2013.

Members Present:

Berndt Leifeld, Supervisor
Linda Burkhardt, Board Member
Peter Friedel, Board Member

Members Absent:

Bruce La Monda, Board Member
Donald VanBuren, Board Member

Recording Secretary:

Sylvia B. Rozzelle, Town Clerk

Others Present:

Janice Lanzarotta, Bookkeeper; Bill Cook, Sole Assessor; Drew Boggess, Planning Board Chairman; Peter Nissen, OFD Vice President; and Tom Planz, OFD Treasurer

Supervisor Leifeld noted the three year contract with the Olive Fire Department to provide fire protection for the town will total \$610,320.00. Correspondence #106-12 from OFD Treasurer Tom Planz states the components of this total are \$490,000.00 to fund the contract operating accounts and \$119,420.00 to fund the approved Service Awards Program. It was stated that all three years are under the 2% cap with 2013 showing a 1.5% increase, 2014 a 1.62% increase, and 2015 a 1.90% increase.

Board Member Burkhardt asked if the Service Awards Program implemented in 2004 has done what we anticipated it would do. Tom Planz stated they were hoping that it would keep some of the existing members more active and well trained and it has. Peter Nissen stated that the recruiting and retention aspects of the program have been very successful. Tom Planz stated that two biggest items in their budget are apparatus and fuel costs. He stated that they are planning an addition on the Olivebridge Fire Hall to make the restrooms handicapped accessible and to improve the office space.

All people present having been heard the Town Board adjourned at 7:15 pm on a Leifeld/Friedel motion.

Sylvia B. Rozzelle, Town Clerk

Supervisor Leifeld presented the following budget notes:

- Page 6 Total General Government Support decreased: \$ 2,441 -- .32%
(Reduction primarily due to decrease in projected elections cost)
- Page 8 Total Public Safety increased: \$ 2,925 -- 1.337 %
- Page 9 Total Health: no change (Ambulance)
- Page 10 General Fund Total Transportation increased: \$ 648 -- .4162%
- Page 11 Total Economic Assistance: no change
- Page 13 Total Culture/Recreation decreased: \$ 5,763 -- 2%
(Impact from reduction in transportation costs for summer recreation)
- Page 15 Total Home and Community Services decreased: \$ 7,629 -- 3.6%
(Reduction due to adjustments to recycling personnel service line)
- Page 15 General Fund Employee Benefits increased: \$41,031 -- 8.63%
- Page 21 Highway Fund Employee Benefits increased: \$55,622 – 13.89%
Total Employee Benefits increased: \$96,653 – 11.04%
- Page 20 Highway Fund Total Transportation increased: \$14,005 -- .995%

- Revenues decreased primarily in mortgage tax receipts and interest earnings.

There being no comments the Town Board adjourned at 7:45 pm on a Friedel/Burkhardt motion.

Sylvia B. Rozzelle, Town Clerk

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November 13, 2012

Minutes of the monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Olive held Tuesday, November 13, 2012 7:30 pm at the Town Meeting Hall in Shokan, NY.

Members Present: Berndt Leifeld, Supervisor
Donald VanBuren, Board Member
Linda Burkhardt, Board Member
Bruce La Monda, Board Member
Peter Friedel, Board Member

Recording Secretary: Sylvia B. Rozzelle, Town Clerk

Others Present: Bill Cook, Sole Assessor; Chris Winne, Fire Chief; Jimmy Fugel, Highway Superintendent; Drew Boggess, Planning Board Chair; Gene Sorbellini, Recreation Director

On a Burkhardt/Friedel motion the Town Board approved the October minutes as submitted by the Town Clerk.

The following correspondence was read and filed:

#107-12

E. Lee Denman and family thanked the Town Board for their thoughtful dedication to Dolly in the Town Minute Book.

On a La Monda/Burkhardt motion the Town Board approved payment of the following audited bills: Highway Vouchers #385-#406, \$183,632.31; General Fund Vouchers #466-#506, \$138,687.00; and Special Lighting Voucher #12, \$56.98.

Supervisor Leifeld noted cash received for September as \$156,758.67 and interest received for September as \$344.61.

On a Leifeld/Burkhardt motion the Town Board approved the following Highway Budget modification:

Transfer \$5,822.00 from Highway Escrow Retirement to 9010.87 State Retirement

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

Transfer \$500.00 from 1990.4 Contingency to 3120.4 Police (Contractual)

Transfer \$2,695.00 from 1990.4 Contingency to 7110.1 Parks (Personal Services)

Transfer \$2,593.00 from General Fund Escrow Retirement to 9010.8 State Retirement

Transfer \$150.00 from 1990.4 Contingency to 9050.8 Unemployment Insurance

On a Leifeld/Burkhardt motion the Town Board unanimously reappointed Claire Collins to serve as member of the Board of Assessment Review. Her term will expire 9/30/2017.

Supervisor Leifeld stated a public hearing was held on the three year contract between the Town of Olive and the Olive Fire Department Company #1, Inc. Said contract would continue fire protection for the entire Town of Olive during the period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2015. On a Leifeld/La Monda motion the Town Board empowered the Supervisor to sign the contract with the Olive Fire Department Company #1, Inc.

Supervisor Leifeld stated a public hearing was held on the 2013 Preliminary Budget with the increase being under 2%. Supervisor Leifeld made a motion, seconded by Board Member La Monda to adopt the 2013 Budget. Board Member Friedel requested a roll vote. Roll vote being: VanBuren, yes; Burkhardt, yes; La Monda, yes; Friedel, no; and Leifeld, yes. Board Member Friedel stated his "no" vote is because elected officials should not be taking a 2% raise.

Under Old Business: Supervisor Leifeld stated there was a meeting in his office with a few members of Olive Defense Against Fracking (ODAF). He stated Ms. Himberger has put a lot of work into information regarding this law and they decided that the law that the Town of Rochester put together would fit better with our town. He stated it would also be more in line with the laws from surrounding towns. He stated that most of the Town of Rochester's law is tied to their Master Plan. He stated he emailed this law to Town Board Members noting this is the time for the board members to comment. Supervisor Leifeld read the portion of the law where Rochester quotes their Comprehensive Plan but stated we cannot use that. He stated that any comments tonight will be given to Attorney Peter Graham and a new law drafted. Board Member La Monda stated that we just need to take out the wording specific to Rochester's Comprehensive Plan. Ms. Himberger stated there should be a few things added which are relative to Olive: water extraction should be addressed; petroleum should be mentioned along with natural gas; and it should be an amendment to Chapter 15517 of the Town Zoning Code. She stated there should be a law against using the brine on roads though

Ulster County has their own. She stated a brine law and transporting law would be separate. Board Member La Monda stated this is a prime example which fortifies and supports the fact that we should proceed with the Master Plan either redraft it and pass it or redraft it and not pass it. Board Member Burkhardt stated this anti-fracking law would then be an amendment to our zoning law. Ms. Humberger stated it is important to note that SEQR would need to be redone and reclassified as a Type I action as suggested by the County.

Supervisor Leifeld stated that Board Member Burkhardt is the NIMS coordinator for the Town and she issued a review (#108-12) of the emergency response by the Town Board to the recent Hurricane Sandy. A special thanks was given to the Olive Highway Department, the Olive Fire Department, and to Amanda Winne who went above and beyond cooking and feeding not only the family needing shelter but also the people distributing dry ice. She also thanked Fred Burkhardt, Bruce and Carol La Monda, and the Olive Fire Department for distributing the dry ice. Supervisor Leifeld stated a special thanks should go to Highway Superintendent Jimmy Fugel for his efforts and to the Fire Department. He stated that without the Fire Department we wouldn't have had a command post. Fire Chief Chris Winne stated we designate the Olivebridge Fire House as a shelter but we should try to get our hands on some cots. He stated that every station was manned. Board Member La Monda stated he called the Red Cross and they wouldn't do anything before and or after for supplying cots. Supervisor Leifeld stated he would contact Art Snyder to see what they might have available. It was noted that cots and air mattresses were supplied by Olive residents. Board Member Burkhardt stated that in the Central Hudson coverage area Ulster County was the largest hit and Olive was the one with the most outages. She stated they were on daily conference calls with Central Hudson and they were very forthcoming with information. Board Member La Monda stated that Fire Chief Winne was constantly in contact with the Town. Chief Winne stated he would like to have a meeting with the Town Board to go over a few items. Board Member Friedel asked how we are with the ICS plan and Board Member Burkhardt stated there is one computer course that Supervisor Leifeld needs to take. Carol La Monda stated the one entity that was out of the loop was the school and felt the town should notify the school to stay in communication as there needs to be an emergency contact person there. Board Member La Monda stated that Central Hudson requested that the school remain closed on one of the days that they opened; however, you couldn't get in touch with anyone. Supervisor Leifeld stated he will talk to the school to set up a contact with the school. Board Member Burkhardt commended Susan Horner for going out of her way making contact with radio stations on communication.

Supervisor Leifeld introduced James Flournoy as an aspiring Eagle Scout who would like to put up a flag pole outside the Town Meeting Hall. James Flournoy asked if the Town would want a specific type of pole as he would be providing the flag pole. Discussion occurred on its location and Highway Superintendent Fugel noted there is a lot of underground electric and bedrock. On a La Monda/Friedel motion the Town Board approved his Eagle Scout project. Board Member Burkhardt suggested he talk to Mr. Fugel to find out the location of underground electric.

The following committee reports were filed:

POLICE Commissioner La Monda submitted October Activity report #109-12 showing 204 monthly calls. Ruth Halstead asked if the Police Department has been alerted about the Central Hudson impersonators in the area. Board Member La Monda stated they could ask Susan Horner to put it on the website.

FIRE DEPARTMENT October report #110-12 noted a total of 88 responses during the month.

TOWN CLERK Rozzelle submitted October revenue report #111-12 showing \$10,220.28 received.

Supervisor Leifeld stated the park cleaning crew is off for the season and the park bathrooms are closed. He stated that people are leaving a lot of garbage behind from park events in Shokan and asked Recreation Director Gene Sorbellini to see that a trash sign be put up saying to take your garbage with you. Mr. Sorbellini stated that all park activities will be done by this Sunday and all parents were told to carry in and carry out. He stated that a chain can go up across the road on Monday morning.

Gene Sorbellini stated the Holiday Tree Lighting will be Saturday, December 8th 7 pm at the Town Meeting Hall in Shokan, NY.

Supervisor Leifeld stated the Recreation Committee is meeting Thursday at 7 pm at the Town Meeting Hall to review the swimming pool bids and to discuss where the money is coming from. He stated it is not a Town Board meeting but board members and the public are welcome.

Fire Chief Chris Winne thanked the Town Board and townspeople for supporting the Olive Fire Department. He stated he was one of the five who went for 72 hours to Long Beach Long Island. He stated in addition to answering 29 calls during that 72 hour period they helped two of the firemen there gut their houses.

On a Leifeld/Friedel motion the Town Board approved pages in the Minute Book be dedicated to William Osterhoudt and to Henry Rank. It was noted these two gentlemen did a lot for the town over the years.

On a Leifeld/Burkhardt motion the Town Board adjourned at 8:40 pm in memory of Catherin Ross Compton Chase, Katherine Jean Heppner, James Lawrence, Paul Malek, William A. Osterhoudt, Henry Rank, and Fred Schork.

Sylvia B. Rozzelle, Town Clerk

This Page Dedicated
in Memory of

William A. Osterhoudt

Founder & Life Member of the
Olive Fire Department

Member of the Olive First Aid Unit

Veteran of World War II

Member of the American Legion Post 1627

Employed by New York City Bureau of Water
Supply for 26 years

Chairman & Member of the Olive Democratic
Committee for several years

An avid outdoorsman loved by all who knew him.

This Page Dedicated
in Memory of

Henry J. Rank

Member of Olive Town Board for 8 years

Olive Fire Department member since 1958

Member of the Olive Planning Board
for 20 years

Served as town Assessor for many years

Member of the Coalition of Watershed Towns

Past President of the Phoenicia Rotary

Member of the Olive Democratic Club

Volunteered to be Santa for many years

Had a wonderful laugh and always a smile on his face