

Town of Olive  
County of Ulster  
State of New York  
Monday, February 10, 2014

Minutes of the monthly audit meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Olive held Monday, February 10, 2014, 7:00 p.m. at the Town Meeting Hall in Shokan, NY.

Members Present:                    Sylvia Rozzelle, Supervisor  
    Donald VanBuren, Board Member  
    Scott Kelder, Board Member  
    James Sofranko, Board Member  
    Peter Friedel, Board Member

Recording Secretary:                Dawn Giuditta, Town Clerk

Others Present:                        Thomas Vasta, Police Chief; Drew Boggess, Planning Board Chairman &  
   Deputy Supervisor; Bruce Proper, Transfer Station Manager; John  
   Parete, County legislator

Sylvia Rozzelle, Town Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

The Town Board audited the bills for January 2014.

Bruce Proper, the Transfer Station Manager attended the meeting to speak with the Town Board concerning the raising of fees. He explained the cost of solid waste was costing the town more to get rid of than the town was taking in per bag. Cost of disposal was \$106 a ton which is approximately \$3.79 a bag, the town charges \$3.00 a bag for a loss of 79 cents per bag. After a lengthy discussion the Town Board agreed to set new fees at the meeting on February 11<sup>th</sup>.

Upon Supervisor Rozzelle's request, John Parete, Ulster County Legislator, gave a presentation on the UCRRA.

Julie Scott expressed her interest in applying for the backup dog control officer. Supervisor Rozzelle explained that a backup was needed when Ruth Williams was unavailable or on vacation. Supervisor Rozzelle advised the Town Board members that George Burns was also interested. The backup dog control officer gets \$35.00 for each dog picked up.

Supervisor Rozzelle advised the Town Board members of the Social Security office closing in Kingston and asked the members if the Town wanted to take a stand against closure. It was agreed that the issue be placed on the agenda for Tuesday, February 11.

Several requests for waivers of park fees were made to the Supervisors office. The United Methodist Church and the Historical Society were granted waivers based on last year. The Bushkill Rod & Gun club were referred to the recreation committee, also referred to the recreation committee was the purchase of supplies to make new picnic tables for the parks.

The Town Board discussed the agenda for the February 11<sup>th</sup> Town Board meeting.

Supervisor Rozzelle brought to the Town Board's attention the retirement of Building and Zoning Secretary, Stephanie Basalone, and that a reclassification of her job description needed to be completed for civil service.

The Town Board discussed the agenda for the February 11<sup>th</sup> Town Board meeting.

Meeting closed at 9:30 pm.

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Dawn Giuditta, Town Clerk  
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Minutes of the monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Olive held Tuesday, February 11, 2014 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall on Bostock Road Shokan.

Members Present: Sylvia Rozzelle, Town Supervisor  
Donald VanBuren, Board Member  
Scott Kelder, Board Member  
James Sofranko, Board Member  
Peter Friedel, Board Member

Recording Secretary: Dawn Giuditta, Town Clerk

Others Present: Drew Boggess, Planning Board Chairman & Deputy Supervisor, James Fugel, Superintendent of Highways, Gene Sorbellini, Recreation Director; Bill Cook, Town Assessor; Christopher Winnie, Olive Fire Chief

On a Friedel/ Sofranko motion the Town Board approved the January minutes as submitted by Town Clerk.

**Correspondence: #6-14**

The Town Board received a thank you note from Diane Stone.

**#7-14**

On a Friedel/VanBuren motion the Town Board unanimously accepted Garth Davis as a new member to the Olive Fire Dept. Co #1 Inc.

**#8-14**

The Town Board received a letter of interest from Timothy Dupree concerning serving on the Police Commission. Supervisor Rozzelle thanked Mr. Dupree for his interest, however there is no opening at this time.

**#9-14**

Supervisor Rozzelle appointed Kevin Wortman to the recreation committee after receiving a letter of interest from him on this position.

**#10-14**

NYCDEP accepted the 2014 Boiceville Sewer O&M Budget.

On a VanBuren/Friedel motion the Town Board approved the following General Fund Modifications

**General fund Budget Modifications:**

General Fund: Transfer \$5,300.00 from Reserve "K" Computers to 1680.4 Data Processing  
(contractual)  
Transfer \$4,044.00 from 1990.4 (Contingency) to 9040.8 Workers Compensation

On a Kelder/VanBuren motion the Town Board approved the payment of the following bills:

**Approve Payment of Audited Bills:**

Highway Vouchers #1-#39, \$45,101.93  
General Fund Vouchers #25-#71, \$184,209.92  
Special Fire District Voucher #1, \$126,072.46  
Special Lighting district voucher #2, \$60.73

**December Income:**

Cash received for December, 2013      \$25,611.88  
Interest received for December, 2013    \$     20.39

**Additional Business:**

On a Rozzelle/Kelder motion the Town Board approved the raising of fees at the Transfer Station from \$3.00 per bag to \$3.50 and the permits from \$25.00 to \$30.00 as of April 1, 2014. The Town Board also approved additional increases as of January 1, 2015 per bag to \$4.00 and the permits to \$35.00.

On a Rozzelle/VanBuren motion the Town Board appointed Peter Friedel, and the Police Commissioners (Bruce LaMonda, Vincent Bruck, and Richard Ostrander) to the Union negotiating committee with the NYS Union of Police Association, Inc.

The Town Board approved Jim Fugel, Representative to the Ulster County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Town Board Member Peter Friedel will be the alternate representative.

On a Rozzelle/Kelder motion the Town Board appointed George Burns and Julie Scott to transport dogs to the kennel in the absence of the Dog Control Officer at the rate of \$35.00 per pick up.

On a Rozzelle/Sofranko motion the Town Board unanimously agreed to support Maraleen Manos-Jones Pollinator Friendly Towns Initiative campaign in which they ask the Towns people to go to her website: [pollinatorfriendlytowns.org](http://pollinatorfriendlytowns.org) and sign up.

On a Rozzelle/Sofranko motion the Town Board would like to acknowledge the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of Alberta Corwin on March 6, 2014

On a Rozzelle/ Friedel motion the Town Board agreed to send a letter to the Towns Federal Representatives concerning the closing of the Social Security office in Kingston and the hardship this closing will be to our senior population.

### **Announcements:**

Health Insurance Information Session originally scheduled for Thursday February 13, at the Boiceville Inn has been cancelled due to weather. A reschedule date will be in March.

Community Rising 3<sup>rd</sup> Public Hearing, Wednesday February 26<sup>th</sup>, 6-8 pm at Ulster County Community College, Student Lounge, Vanderlyn Hall

Flood Insurance Rate Map meeting February 5<sup>th</sup> in Woodstock was held even in the inclement weather. The NYS DEC will probably hold another meeting in March or April however the property holders who received letters the last time will not receive them again.

### **Committees & Commission Chairs & Liaisons:**

Town Buildings- Jim Sofranko & Scott Kelder, Co-Chairs

The committee made their first site visit to the Legion Hall; however, the committee needs to go back in the spring and take a look at the outside. Town Board Member Kelder stated they have recommendations but not everyone on the committee has had a chance to review them. The next facility to be inspected could be the Town Hall.

Emergency Response Plan Development- Peter Friedel, Chair

The committee is trying to schedule a meeting with CJ Pollaco. It is tentatively scheduled for next week, weather permitting. The committee needs to check on the NIMs training. Some of the Police officers need the training. Town Board Member Friedel asked Fire Chief Chris Winnie to let them know when the training might be available as there are also some Board members and the Town Clerk that will need to take it.

### **#11-14**

Olive Wastewater Advisory Committee- Don VanBuren, Chair

Town Board Member VanBuren advised the Town Board that the Committee met on February 10, 2014 with Josh and Tom, facility employees. It was a very educational tour. They discussed some prior issues which appear to have been solved. Josh and Tom were concerned about the condition of the right of way past the auction house. The committee would like to take a survey in the spring to make sure property owners are pleased with the system and the work performed by the contractors.

Cable Franchise Negotiations Committee-Jim Sofranko, Chair

Town Board Member Sofranko advised the Town Board that the town wide survey of all the residents and businesses would measure the town for quality of service and find problem areas. The survey will be on line, there will be a town wide mailing to advise residents of the survey. The survey will also be available in hard copy at the town office in West Shokan, and the Olive Free Library where residents who do not have a computer may use the libraries to complete the survey. In addition the committee has spoken with some other towns to get pointers on negotiating with Time Warner. Sofranko also spoke with Congressman Gibson's office and they advised there might be some grants available.

Parks and Recreation- Scott Kelder, Liaison

The Committee did not have a meeting due to weather, the next meeting will be February 18 at 7 pm where they plan on discussing summer camp, park policy and the need of picnic tables for the parks.

Police Commission- Peter Friedel, Liaison

The Police Commission met last month, Town Board member Friedel had not received a report. They have a meeting next week so he will have one for next month.

**#12-14**

Olive First Aid report for December 2013- Total 21 calls for a total mileage of 432.4

**#13-14**

Town Clerks Report – Property taxes received \$7,014,247.81

Total revenues for Town Clerks office \$10,753.03

**#14-14**

Olive Fire Dept. Report for 2013-

Fire Alarm Situations- 192 for total staff hours 5096.16

Non-incident activities- total staff hours 2066.68

Training- total staff hours 3671.07

**Supervisor's Report-** Town Supervisor Sylvia Rozzelle updated the Town Board and the public on the following areas:

A Grant in the amount of \$1.4 million was submitted on 1/31/14 to National Fish & Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) for Bushkill Stream Remediation.

The Highway receives a \$20,000.00 grant from Ashokan Watershed Stream Management Program (AWSMP) for engineering a design of the Hillside Drive Bridge.

The County Route 213 Bridge Status- Supervisor Rozzelle spoke with Mr. Hein. He sent her to Dennis Doyle who gave her the rating on the bridge. The condition rating is a 4.611. A good rating is a 5. He advised her that below 5 is not acceptable; however, 50% of the bridges in Ulster County are below 5 rating. He did some more research and construction is tentatively scheduled for June of 2015.

American legion Hall maintenance status:

Things done:

1. New drain, trap and cabinet floor bottom in kitchen sink
2. Rodent control presently being done
3. New dehumidifier in basement
4. New subfloor and floor in kitchen
5. Insulating tape on front door
6. Ordered new hot water heater
7. Currently putting in new counter tops in kitchen

Scheduled to be done:

1. Monument and shrubs
2. New hot water heater
3. Downspouts and gutters
4. Fix area over front door to prevent roosting
5. Pressure wash front entrance carpet-replace if needed
6. Schedule inmates services for washing windows & cleaning
7. Possibly need new oil burner

Flood Mitigation Plan for Town of Olive –

If the Town does its own flood mitigation plan it will help residents save on their flood insurance and also help us in cases of emergency. Supervisor Rozzelle has spoken with Ashokan Stream Management Program they will fund this for the Town. Volunteers are needed for the commission.

Superintendent Fugel on request of Supervisor Rozzelle has been asked to extend a monthly report on the man hours used in other departments of Highway personnel:

Buildings: General	31 x 24.72 = \$766.32
Legion Hall	80 x 24.72 = \$1977.60
Town Office Bldg.	32 x 24.72 = \$791.04
Total buildings	\$3534.96
Landfill	18 x 25.52 = \$459.36
Police	14 x 25.52 = \$357.28
Total all depts.	\$4351.60

Supervisor Rozzelle is also checking monthly the expenditures of electric and oil:

Central Hudson- January	Legion Hall	\$445.75	kWh 4323
	Town Hall	\$1187.2	kWh 9852
	Town Offices	\$860.46	kWh 6265
Bottini Fuel- December	Legion Hall	\$1585.27	gal. 475.3
	Highway Garage	\$1370.29	gal. 393.7 (275 TANK)
	Highway Garage	\$1289.95	gal. 377.5 (piggy back tanks)
	Highway Lunchroom	\$1116.21	gal. 328.1

Mr. Alan Eisenson appeared to express his concern over his neighbors who he states are doing business without permits. He presented the Town Board with packets on the history of this issue which has been going on for a long time. He asked the Town Board to review the information and come to their own conclusions.

On a Rozzelle/VanBuren motion the Town Board unanimously adjourned the meeting at 8:03 pm in Memory of Bernie Stahl & Aron Thomas and asked that a page be made in the minutes honoring both individuals.

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Dawn Giuditta, Town Clerk

**This Page Dedicated**

**In Memory of**

**Bernard (Bernie) Stahl**

**World War II Veteran**

**Teacher at Onteora for 32 years**

**Charter Member of Onteora Runners Club**

**Prominently involved in the Town of Olive  
Recreation Program since its inception**

**Volunteer Home Delivered Meals Driver for 11  
years**

**This Page Dedicated**

**In Memory of**

**Aron J Thomas**

**Lifelong Resident of Olive**

**Served as Past President of Olive First Aid**

**Member of Olive Fire Department**

**Avid Sportsman and outdoor enthusiast**

**Beloved Husband, Father, Son & Brother**

**In loving Memory of**

**Aron J Thomas**

**You Will Always Be in our Hearts**

**3/24/80-2/3/14**