

Town of Olive
County of Ulster
State of New York
Monday, October 5, 2015

Minutes of the Tentative Budget Meeting of the Town of Olive Town Board, held Monday October 5, 2015, 4:00 pm at the Town Offices in Shokan, NY.

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

Recording Secretary: Dawn Giuditta

Others Present: Drew Boggess, Deputy Supervisor & Planning Board Chairman; Rich Ostrander, Police Commissioner; James Fugel, Highway Superintendent; Brian Burns, Deputy Highway Superintendent; Michael Richardson, Labor Consultant

Supervisor Rozzelle called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm.

On A Rozzelle VanBuren motion the Town Board adjourned to Executive Session to discuss the Highway Department Union.

AYE- VanBuren, Kelder, Sofranko, Friedel, Rozzelle **Nay**

At approximately 5:30 pm the Town Board on a Rozzelle/Kelder motion reconvened the regular meeting.

AYE- VanBuren, Kelder, Sofranko, Friedel, Rozzelle **Nay**

The Town Clerk presented the 2016 Tentative Budget to the Town Board.

Supervisor Rozzelle suggested that The Town Board do a quick review of the Tentative Budget.

Supervisor Rozzelle handed out a potential fee change list for 2016.

Supervisor Rozzelle suggested that Town Board Member VanBuren speak with the Olive Waste Water Committee to discuss adding a surcharge to the sewer bills. The surcharge would be collected and held by the Town of Olive in a Reserve Fund for emergencies involving the Waste Water Treatment Facility.

The Town Board discussed a neighbor dispute on Ridge Road. No law has been found prohibiting the running of a refrigeration unit in a residential area. Supervisor Rozzelle advised the Town Board that a Local Law may have to be established.

All pertinent business having been discussed the Town Board on a Rozzelle/Kelder motion adjourned the meeting at 6:20 pm.

AYE- VanBuren, Kelder, Sofranko, Friedel, Rozzelle **Nay**

Dawn Giuditta, Town Clerk

Town of Olive
County of Ulster
State of New York
October 13th, 2015

Minutes of the Informational and Public Comment Meeting on Olive First Aid Proposal for Fiscal Year 2016, held Tuesday October 13, 2015, 7pm at the Town Hall in Shokan, NY.

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

Recording Secretary: Dawn Giuditta

Others Present: Drew Boggess, Deputy Supervisor & Planning Board Chairman; Rich Ostrander, Police Commissioner; James Fugel, Highway Superintendent; Brian Burns, Deputy Highway Superintendent; Carl Swenson, Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator; Ronald Wright, Town Justice; Gene Sorbellini, Recreation Director; Paula Minew, Treasurer Olive First Aid; Timothy Cox, Town Justice; Steve Fuller, Board of Director Olive First Aid; Yvonne Fuller, Captain Olive First Aid; Virginia Wiswall, President Olive First Aid; Dave Wiswall, Board of Director Olive First Aid; Christopher Winne, Chief Olive Fire Department; John Parete, Chairman Ulster County Legislature; John Ingram, Zoning Officer, Building Inspector; Craig Grazier, Recreation Committee; Bill Cook, Assessor; David Sorbellini, Planning Board; Dominic Covello, Building Inspector; Bill Melvin, Recreation Committee & Pool Director

Supervisor Rozzelle called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. There was approximately 50 residents in attendance. The Town Clerk read the legal ad placed in the Daily Freeman on September 19, 2015.

Supervisor Rozzelle introduced Jason Huppert to the residents in attendance. Jason Huppert was sworn in as a Town of Olive Police Officer. Jason has been a resident of the Town of Olive since 1998, he is retired from the United States Army with 20 years of active service.

Town of Olive Police Officer, Jason Young was presented with Town of Olive Life Saving Medal, for performing CPR and helping to save the life of Zef Fessenden, who suffered a cardiac arrest on Acorn Hill Road.

Supervisor Rozzelle opened the discussion on the Olive First Aid Unit, which is a private volunteer corporation that the Town of Olive contracts with for services. Supervisor Rozzelle has received complaints about the Olive First Aid Unit's length of response time and their not responding to calls. She proceeded to FOIL Ulster County to get a list of calls and what time of day calls were not being answered. The calls being unanswered are primarily during the day. For 2014 Olive First Aid failed to assemble a crew 48% of the time, and 2015 through June, approximately 50 %. The Board of Directors and current volunteers are a very dedicated group of people and this situation is not unique to the Town of Olive, it is happening to other First Aid Squads throughout the State.

The Town Board had a meeting with the Olive First Aid Unit Board of Directors on August 31, 2015 to discuss the issues that they were having. The Olive First Aid budget request for 2016 was \$107,800.00, however; the Town Board felt uncomfortable contracting with them if services were not being rendered, but wanted to give them a chance to fix the problems. On September 15, 2015 the Olive First Aid met again with the Town Board and presented a new proposal for 24/7 coverage and requested \$258,000 for funding in 2016. This would include a

stipend to be paid to both an EMT and a driver for 12 hour shifts to be “on call” insuring availability for responding. The EMT would be paid \$70.62 for a 12 hour shift which breaks down to \$5.89 per hour, the Driver would receive \$53.00 for a 12 hour shift which is about \$4.42 per hour to be “on call”. They will also pay a per trip fee which is \$31.00 for the EMT and \$27.00 for the Driver. It should be approximately \$90,242.00 a year for EMT and Driver.

Supervisor Rozzelle stated we have a First Aid Unit that has been in existence since 1973, that has been a hard working group, but the situation isn't working any more for all the residents in Town. The Town Board has met with them and we believe that this is a very important thing for the Town to understand, that this is something we are seriously considering. Supervisor Rozzelle asked if residents wanted a First Aid Unit or not? She stated the biggest challenge is our geography, the Town is too far away from Kingston, for Mobile Life to come here.

The Town Board at this time opened the floor for public comments.

Many residents in attendance showed support for the Olive First Aid Unit; however, there were several concerns addressed:

1. Response times for the paid EMT and Driver- EMT must be within 10 minutes to respond, an EMT can go right to the scene, and a driver will have to be within 10 minutes of an ambulance. If the EMT/Driver is not an Olive resident they will have to either be in the squad building or within the Town of Olive during their shift.
2. Billing- If you have to call an ambulance you will be billed for it if you do not have Insurance or a high deductible insurance, otherwise the insurance is billed. The Olive First Aid Unit must transport in order to receive any funds from billing. All billing goes back to the Olive First Aid Unit. If Mobile Life transports then the Olive First Aid Unit has to pay Mobile Life. The charges for an ambulance are set by Insurance Companies.
3. David Sorbellini asked the Town Board, if the money is given to the Olive First Aid Unit, how can we verify this was a valid investment? Supervisor Rozzelle stated that this was a valid question, the Town Board would like to monitor with reports and structuring in the contract.

Pat Conway summed things up by stating, “Success is measured when you pick up that phone and you call 911 and that ambulance gets there and your loved one is transported, that is a success. No matter whether it's only once a year, if it's your loved one, and they're provided the care they need it's worth it.”

Ronald Wright a Board of Director of the Olive First Aid Unit commented that they are not able to answer all the questions at this time. Once they know they will be receiving the extra funds they can proceed with an Attorney to find out what they can and cannot do.

Supervisor Rozzelle stated she had no problem giving the money to the Olive First Aid Unit for this coming year. The Town has to look at it with our Attorney, you're a private corporation we're a government. We will see how it balances out for the year, we have problems with the contract. The only concern is that if there are two calls back to back that will be an issue.

A poll of the Town Board showed that all were committed to increasing the Olive First Aid budget with monitoring over the year. A liaison between the Town Board and the Olive First Aid Unit would be established. All pertinent business having been discussed the Town Board on a Rozzelle/Van Buren motion adjourned the meeting at 8:12 pm.

AYE- VanBuren, Kelder, Sofranko, Friedel and Rozzelle **Nay**

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October 13, 2015

Minutes of the public hearing on Proposed Local Law #1 of 2015 to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law 3-c, held Tuesday October 13, 2015, 8:13 pm at the Town Hall in Shokan, NY.

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

Recording Secretary: Dawn Giuditta

Others Present: Drew Boggess, Deputy Supervisor & Planning Board Chairman; Rich Ostrander, Police Commissioner; James Fugel, Highway Superintendent; Brian Burns, Deputy Highway Superintendent; Carl Swenson, Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator; Ronald wright, Town Justice; Gene Sorbellini, Recreation Director; Paula Minew, Treasurer Olive First Aid; Timothy Cox, Town Justice; Steve Fuller, Board of Director Olive First Aid; Yvonne Fuller, Captain Olive First Aid; Virginia Wiswall, President Olive First Aid; Dave Wiswall, Board of Director Olive First aid; Christopher Winne, Chief Olive Fire Department; John Parete, Chairman Ulster County Legislature; John Ingram, Zoning Officer, Building Inspector; Craig Grazier, Recreation Committee; Bill Cook, Assessor; David Sorbellini, Planning Board; Dominic Covello, Building Inspector

Supervisor Rozzelle called the meeting to order at 8:13 pm.

The Town Clerk read the legal ad placed in the Daily Freeman on September 19, 2015.

Supervisor Rozzelle asked for public comments on overriding the tax levy. There were no comments from the approximately 40 residents in attendance.

On a Rozzelle/Kelder motion, the Town Board adjourned the Public Hearing on Local Law #1 of 2015 at 8:18 pm.

AYE- VanBuren, Kelder, Sofranko, Friedel and Rozzelle **Nay**

Dawn Giuditta, Town Clerk

Town of Olive
County of Ulster
State of New York
Tuesday, October 13, 2015

Minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Town of Olive Town Board, held Tuesday October 13, 2015, at the Town Meeting Hall in Shokan, NY.

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

Recording Secretary: Dawn Giuditta

Others Present: William Cook, Assessor; Drew Boggess, Deputy Supervisor & Planning Board Chairman; Carl Swenson, Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator; Bill Melvin, Recreation Committee & Pool Director ; Ronald C Wright, Town Justice; Chris Winne, Chief Olive Fire Department; Gene Sorbellini, Recreation Director; James Fugel, Highway Superintendent; Brian Burns, Deputy Highway Superintendent; John Ingram, Zoning Officer & Deputy Building Inspector; David Sorbellini, Planning Board; Timothy Cox, Town Justice

Supervisor Rozzelle, called the meeting to order at 8:19 p.m.

On a VanBuren/Kelder motion, the Town Board approved the September 2015 minutes.

AYE- VanBuren, Kelder, Sofranko, Friedel, Rozzelle **Nay**

Correspondence:

#113-15

Town of Olive Police Officer Steve Farina resigned as of September 30, 2015.

#114-15

Catskill Watershed Corporation regarding Cluster Septic System Program in Shokan.

#115-15

Letter from Assemblyman Kahil supporting Town of Olive Resolution #18 passed on August 11, 2015.

#116-15

Letter from NYC Deputy Commissioner Paul Rush in response to the Town of Olive's request for handicapped parking area on the Ashokan Reservoir.

#117-15

Letter from Ulster County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board certifying Ken Mironer parcels inclusion into the Ulster County Agricultural District for 2015.

#118-15

Letter from Oona Fessenden of Willow thanking those that assisted her husband in a medical emergency.

#119-15

Copy of letter sent by Senator Jim Seward to William Gorton, Regional Director NYS DOT suggesting the installation of rumble strips on Route 28.

#120-15

Note from Joyce Grant, Town of Shandaken Town Clerk, regarding rumble strips on Route 28.

#121-15

Letter from Paul Lenz, Deputy Chief Natural Resources Division NYCDEP response to the Town of Olive's request for NYCDEP written guidelines on how and why recreational use in acquired lands is decided.

#122-15

Catskill Mountain Scenic Byway Funding for Byway Towns/ Robert Selkowitz regarding Scenic Byway Municipal Event.

Presenter: Robert Selkowitz

Funding has been granted for annual CMSB Municipal events in the amount of \$4,166.00 for each of the six participating municipalities. Mr. Selkowitz suggested The Olive to Andes Veteran & Vintage Automobile Endurance Run. This would be a reenactment of the 1903 run the Kingston Freeman called the "Devil Wagons". It involved 34 automobiles that traveled up the Esopus Valley & over Pine Hill and Palmer Hill in Andes, heading to Binghamton and eventually to Pittsburgh. Mr. Selkowitz would like to reenact this run from Olive to Andes to commemorate the lost road and villages of Olive. The plan is in its initial staging and will have vintage 1903 autos located at the Aerators at the Ashokan Reservoir. The run would include veteran and vintage car clubs that will be staged at parking areas along Rt. 28 in Olive and encourage them to travel the Scenic Byway to Andes. Mr. Selkowitz would look for additional funding through sponsorships to help with exhibits, publication and video documentation. He is looking to hold this event October 7-9 in 2016. No tax payer funds will be used for this event.

Budget Modifications:

On a Rozzelle/Sofranko motion, the Town Board approved the following Modification.

AYE- VanBuren, Kelder, Sofranko, Friedel, Rozzelle **Nay**

- Transfer \$750 from 1990.4 Contingency to 3510.4 Control of Dogs (Contractual)
- Increase A3089 Other General Government \$1,463
- Increase 3620.4 Safety Inspections (Contractual) \$1,463
- Transfer \$2,759 from 7180.1 Pool (Personal Services) to 7180.2 Pool (Equipment)
- Transfer \$500 from 1990.4 Contingency to 8160.4 Refuse & Garbage (Contractual)

Approve Payment of Audited Bills: On a Rozzelle/Friedel motion, the Town Board approved the following payments:

AYE- VanBuren, Kelder, Sofranko, Friedel and Rozzelle **Nay**

Approve Payment of Audited Bills:

Highway Vouchers #308-#350	\$45,875.86
Prepaid General Fund Vouchers #413	\$ 951.04
General Fund Voucher #414-#468	\$43,543.71
Prepaid Special Lighting Voucher #9	\$ 58.19
Special Lighting Voucher #10	\$ 59.60
Sewer District Vouchers #16000-#16013	\$29,775.91

Cash Received:

August cash received	\$ 24,435.75
August Interest	\$ 32.23

Additional Business:

Supervisor Rozzelle reviewed Resolution #20 of 2015 Commit funding for State and Municipal Facility Program ("SAM") Grant for the Highway Garage Roof Replacement & Renovation Project that was approved by the Town Board at the September 29th meeting.

On a Rozzelle/Sofranko motion, the Town Board unanimously approved Resolution #21 of 2015.

Resolution #21 of 2015
Town of Olive
Approving the application for JCAP Grant

WHEREAS, funding is available to eligible municipalities under the Justice Court Assistance Program (JCAP), wherein eligible projects can receive up to \$30,000.00 in grant monies; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Olive desires to make application for the 2015 JCAP Grant Round to improve access for those with disabilities to the courtroom by purchase and installation of a lift for the steps entering the courtroom, as well as purchase of an electronic scanner and software to aid in record retention.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Olive hereby authorizes the Town of Olive Supervisor and Town of Olive Justice Court to make application to the JCAP grant for purchase and installation of a lift, and purchase of an electronic scanner and software.

AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION

Motion made by: Supervisor Rozzelle
Seconded By: Board Member Sofranko

A Vote was Duly Taken:

	AYE	Nay
Sylvia Rozzelle, Supervisor	_X_	___
Don VanBuren, Board Member	_X_	___
Scott Kelder, Board Member	_X_	___
Jim Sofranko, Board Member	_X_	___
Peter Friedel, Board Member	_X_	___

Whereupon, the motion was duly adopted.

Dated this 13th day of October 2015

Dawn Giuditta, Olive Town Clerk

Announcements:

Workplace Violence for Town Employees Thursday, October 22nd at 2 pm
Town Board Budget Workshop Meetings October 19th, 20th and, if needed Oct 27th
NYCDEP Esopus Bridge Design Presentation October 27th 5pm Town Meeting Hall
Flood Advisory Committee Meeting Thursday October 15th, 5 pm at AWSMP Office
Propane as Alternative Gasoline Presentation – Wed., Oct. 28th, 2 pm at Best Western, 530 Washington Ave., Kingston, NY
Boy Scouts Annual Pancake Breakfast, Sat., Oct. 24th Olivebridge Fire House
Samsonville United Methodist Church Choirs, Sun., Oct. 18th, 3-5 pm

Committees & Commission Chairs & Liaisons:

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

The Town Board met with LaBerge in September to fine tune the Facilities Need Assessment. The Committee is waiting for LaBerge to respond to questions from that meeting.

Olive Wastewater Advisory Committee—Don VanBuren, Chair

Mr. Studt would like to step down as a member of the Olive Wastewater Committee due to health issues.

Cable Franchise Negotiations Committee—Jim Sofranko, Chair

The Committee has received the performance test from Time Warner. Board Member Sofranko would like to thank Roy Coutinho for reviewing the data. The only obligation that Time Warner has with the Town of Olive is for cable television and that is what they are measuring.

Parks & Recreation Committee—Scott Kelder, Liaison

The Recreation Committee met and discussed 2016 dates for recreation sign up. They discussed the Recreation fees and they are still waiting on a report from LaBerge for the pool resurfacing.

Police Commission—Peter Friedel & Don VanBuren

Calls for August (#123-15)

Property Damage- 2	Domestic Disputes-2	911 hang ups-2	animal compl.-6	medical-10
Neighbor complaint.-1	suspicious activity-6	traffic complaint.-11	COPP-10	
assisting other agencies-6	harassment-2	Vehicle Lockout- 5	Intrusion Device Activation- 9	
Security Check-184	Fire calls- 1	Welfare Checks-1	Custody Dispute- 3	
Trespass Complaint- 4	Burglary- 1	Noise Complaint- 1		
Lost Hiker- 1				
Uniformed traffic tickets-12	Business/ School checks-184			

Town Clerk---Dawn Giuditta

The Town Clerk Monthly Revenues for September \$15,186.08 (#124-15)

Transfer Station----Sylvia Rozzelle

No Report

Olive Fire Dept. - (#125-15)

September report of calls

Mutual Aid-3	Wires down- 4	Brush fire- 1	Water rescue/over turned boat-1
Automatic Alarm- 5	Control Burn- 1	EMS assist-1	Public Service/cellar pump- 4
Total Calls- 19			

Drills- 5 Meetings- 3

Supervisor’s Report:

Supervisor Rozzelle filed an appeal on FIRM Confluence of Bushkill and Drybrook on the flood maps.

Highway Labor for General Fund Work Report (#126-15)

Highway Labor:

	September
Parks	\$ 1,793.76
Pool	\$ 2,399.76
Police	\$ 175.14
Buildings/Gen	<u>\$ 1,042.32</u>
Total	<u>\$ 5,410.98</u>

Let the Minutes reflect that at this time the Town Justice’s, Ronald C Wright and Timothy Cox left the meeting due to a current case being filed in Town of Olive court concerning the following neighbor dispute and habitual dog barking complaint before the Town Board.

George Tsontakis spoke on behalf of the neighbors on Private Road #1 off of Ridge Road. They have been having an ongoing problem with a neighbor running his work truck which contains a refrigeration unit on it for about 10-12 hours a day. They are also having a problem with the same neighbor and his dog habitually barking. The residents of this area are asking for help in settling the issue. They request the Town Board to consider a Town Law against running a commercial truck or refrigeration unit in a residential area. Board Member Friedel asked if they have tried to contact the gentleman's distributor for help.

On a Rozzelle/Sofranko motion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm in Memory of Anthony DeLavalley, Mary Ellen Holman, Michael Luria, Alberta Corwin and William Kleine

AYE- VanBuren, Kelder, Sofranko, Friedel and Rozzelle **Nay**

Dawn Giuditta, Town Clerk

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Minutes of the Budget meeting of the Town of Olive Town Board, held Monday, October 19, 2015, at the Town Meeting Hall in Shokan, NY.

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

Donald VanBuren, Board Member

Recording Secretary: Dawn Giuditta

Others Present: Drew Boggess, Deputy Supervisor & Planning Board Chairman; James Fugel, Highway Superintendent; Richard Ostrander, Police Commissioner

Supervisor Rozzelle, called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m.

The Town board discussed elected officials salaries, then reviewed the Budget line per line and made the following adjustments:

Buildings reduced:	Personal Services	1620.1	\$ 1,000.00
	Equipment	1620.2	\$ 2,000.00
	Contractual Exp.	1620.4	\$30,000.00
Police reduced:	Personal Services	3120.1	\$ 132.00
	Equipment	3120.2	\$ 6,100.00
	Contractual Exp.	3120.4	\$ 600.00
Ambulance reduced:	Contractual Exp.	4540.4	\$40,835.00
Parks reduced:	Equipment	7110.2	\$10,000.00
Zoning reduced:	Equipment	8010.2	\$ 4,000.00
Safety Inspection Increased:	Contractual	3620.4	\$ 1,000.00

On a Rozzelle/Friedel motion, the Town Board agreed to continue with the Budget review the following evening.

AYE- VanBuren, Kelder, Sofranko, Friedel and Rozzelle **Nay**

Dawn Giuditta

Town of Olive
County of Ulster
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Tuesday, October 20, 2015

Minutes of the Budget meeting of the Town of Olive Town Board, held Tuesday, October 20, 2015, at the American Legion Hall in Shokan, NY.

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

Recording Secretary: Dawn Giuditta

Others Present: James Fugel, Highway Superintendent; Richard Ostrander, Police Commissioner; Brian Burns, Deputy Superintendent

Supervisor Rozzelle, called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m.

A lengthy discussion ensued concerning the 2016 General and Highway Budgets.

The Town Board made the following budget changes:

General Fund changes-

Youth Program reduced-	7310.1	\$5,000.00
Recycling reduced-	8189.4	\$1,500.00

Highway Fund Changes-

General Repairs reduced-	5110.4	\$15,000.00
Misc. (Brush & Weeds) Increased -	5140.4	\$15,000.00

The Town Board approved the following elected official's salaries:

Supervisor-	\$52,900
Councilman (4) -	\$ 8,546
Town Justices (2) -	\$12,857
Town Clerk-	\$58,865
Superintendent of Highways-	\$61,200

All pertinent business having been discussed on a Rozzelle/Kelder motion, the Town Board adjourned the meeting at 8:45 pm.

Dawn Giuditta