

Town of Olive  
County of Ulster  
State of New York  
Tuesday, February 14, 2017

Minutes of the monthly meeting of the Town of Olive Town Board, held Tuesday, February 14, 2017 6:00 pm at the Town Meeting Hall in Shokan, NY.

Members Present: Sylvia Rozzelle, Supervisor  
Peter Friedel, Board Member arrived 6:15 pm  
Drew Boggess, Board Member  
Jim Sofranko, Board Member

Members Not Present: Scott Kelder, Board Member  
Recording Secretary: Dawn Giuditta, Town Clerk

Others Present: Brian Burns, Highway Superintendent; Gene Sorbellini, Recreation Director

Sylvia Rozzelle, Town Supervisor, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The monthly audit meeting which was scheduled for Monday, February 13, 2017 was canceled due to power outages throughout Town.

The Town Board audited the monthly bills and reviewed the agenda for the regular meeting to be held at 7 pm following the audit meeting.

Gene Sorbellini, Recreation Direction, requested the procedure he should go through to get a new laptop computer for the recreation department. The one he currently uses is very old and not working properly. Supervisor Rozzelle suggested he go to the Recreation Committee for approval.

The Town Board discussed the following topics:

1. Applicants for Parks & Buildings Part Time Seasonal Laborer.
2. Purchase of truck for the parks & buildings.
3. Request for temporary cell tower from a consultant from Sprint. Supervisor Rozzelle was approached to place a cell tower in various places in the town. Supervisor Rozzelle refused each location that was requested due to being near the parks or the transfer station foot print.
4. Trail Explorers running from Boiceville to Phoenicia.

On a Rozzelle motion, the Town Board adjourned the audit meeting at 6:50 pm.

**Aye-** Boggess, Sofranko, Friedel, and Rozzelle     **Nay**     **Absent-** Kelder

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Sylvia Rozzelle, Town Supervisor, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

On a Rozzelle/Boggess motion, the Town Board approved the January minutes after a correction was made. Jim Sofranko was listed incorrectly as not present at the January 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Aye-** Boggess, Sofranko, Friedel, and Rozzelle      **Nay**      **Absent-** Kelder

Supervisor Rozzelle thanked the Highway Department and Olive Fire Department for all they did during the storm. They did an incredible job.

Presentation: Christina and Peter Himberger and Sue Biondo were in attendance to address the Town Board concerning the usage of the railroad from Boiceville to Phoenicia. The County brought in Rail Explorers to offset the cost of the rail trail. Rail Explorers use buggies to ride along the rails. Mrs. Himberger stated that in the Rail Explorers proposal to Ulster County they expect to get about 14,000 visitors a year, it will run 120 days a year. The buggies will embark in Mt. Tremper and come down to Coldbrook Road, this is a 90 minute trip one way at which point a tram or shuttle bus picks them up and takes them back to Mt. Tremper. Mrs. Himberger is concerned about the impact to the residential street of Coldbrook Road. Once the parking lot is built as part of the rail trail they will load up the visitors there. Mrs. Biondo stated that this seems great for visitors but the 31 residents along Coldbrook Road will be living it. Mrs. Himberger was concerned about bathrooms, garbage disposal and how it will affect the swimming holes. Supervisor Rozzelle stated that Ulster County has a right of way there for the railroad and it is her feeling that anything further they would have to go before the Town of Olive Planning Board. Board Member Boggess stated he would check into it further with Chris White, Deputy Director of the Ulster County Planning Board. Mrs. Himberger stated they will be organizing a neighborhood meeting in March with the Rail Explorers and Ulster County. The Town Board asked to be notified of the neighborhood meeting.

**Correspondence: #7-17**

Association of Towns letter dated January 11, 2017 concerning Governor Cuomo's unfunded state mandate requiring counties to develop a new voter-approved efficiency plan.

On a Rozzelle/Boggess motion, the Town Board empowered Supervisor Rozzelle to write a letter in response to the Governor's efficiency plans.

**Aye-** Boggess, Sofranko, Friedel, and Rozzelle      **Nay**      **Absent-** Kelder

**#8-17**

Board Member Jim Sofranko’s letter to Chris White, Deputy Director, Ulster County Planning Board concerning the Ashokan Rail Trail and suggestions made during the last few months from the Olive community.

**#9-17**

NYCDEP 2017 approval of the Boiceville Operations and Maintenance Budget in the amount of \$420,755.00 the NYCDEP cost is \$381,965.22.

**#10-17**

The Catskill Watershed Corporation ballot for the Board of Directors Election. Town Board Member Jim Sofranko has been nominated for the position.

On a Rozzelle/Boggess motion, the Town Board approved the payment of the following vouchers.

**Aye-** Boggess, Sofranko, Friedel, and Rozzelle     **Nay**     **Absent-** Kelder

**Approved Payment of Audited Bills:**

<b>Highway Vouchers #11-#40</b>	<b>\$ 54,933.14</b>
<b>General Fund Vouchers #20-#75</b>	<b>\$ 29,261.65</b>
<b>General Fund Prepaid Vouchers #76-#77</b>	<b>\$ 1,547.00</b>
<b>Special Lighting Voucher #2</b>	<b>\$ 62.50</b>
<b>Special fire Voucher #1 (VFIS)</b>	<b>\$148,380.16</b>

**Additional Business:**

On a Rozzelle/Friedel motion, the Town Board approved the agreement with the Town of Rochester Dog Control Officer.

**Aye-** Boggess, Sofranko, Friedel, and Rozzelle     **Nay**     **Absent-** Kelder

On a Rozzelle/Boggess motion, the Town Board approved the Police Sergeant pay at \$22.04 per hour.

**Aye-** Boggess, Sofranko, Friedel, and Rozzelle     **Nay**     **Absent-** Kelder

On a Rozzelle/Sofranko motion, the Town Board approved a letter written by Supervisor Rozzelle in support of funding for Belleayre in 2017 NYS budget.

**Aye-** Boggess, Sofranko, Friedel, and Rozzelle     **Nay**     **Absent-** Kelder

On a Rozzelle/Sofranko motion, the Town Board empowered the Supervisor to sign Letter of Engagement and Retainer with Girvin & Ferlazzo, Attorneys at Law regarding labor & employment matter specifically before PERB.

**Aye-** Boggess, Sofranko, Friedel, and Rozzelle     **Nay**     **Absent-** Kelder

On a Rozzelle/Friedel motion, the Town Board waived the zoning permit and building permit fee for the Olive First Aid for the installation of a standby generator at the Church Street facility.

**Aye-** Boggess, Sofranko, Friedel, and Rozzelle     **Nay**     **Absent-** Kelder

The Town Board will set up interviews for seasonal part time laborer position at the March 13, 2017 audit meeting.

On a Rozzelle/Friedel motion, the Town Board empowered the Highway Superintendent to advertise for a new truck.

**Aye-** Boggess, Sofranko, Friedel, and Rozzelle     **Nay**     **Absent-** Kelder

On a Rozzelle/Boggess motion, the Town Board set the Dog fees as follows: \$12.00 boarding fees per day, \$15.00 feeding and care per day, and \$10.00 impoundment fee per day for a total of \$37.00 per day.

**Aye-** Boggess, Sofranko, Friedel, and Rozzelle     **Nay**     **Absent-** Kelder

**Committees, Commission, Department Reports:**

**Conservation Advisory Council- Jim Sofranko, Liaison**

The council will be proposing to the board that they conduct a Solarized Olive Campaign. It’s a seminar in which residents can get information on solar installation and installers will be present. There will be a discount if you participate in this program and it will add some credits to future grant monies available. It is just in the beginning stages right now but if you know someone who is considering installing solar, you might suggest they wait a month or two for this campaign.

**Scenic Byway- Drew Boggess, Liaison**

The Scenic Byway is still waiting on funding from the State.

**Highway Department- Brian Burns**

The Highway Department has been working with Central Hudson to take care of some of the Ash trees that are too close to the power lines or out of reach of our bucket truck. Superintendent Burns wants the residents to know if anyone is in need of wood chips to let him know.

**Police Commission- Drew Boggess, Liaison**

- Calls for Service 64
- Residential /Commercial Security Checks: 419
- Community Oriented Policing: 1
- Onteora School Visits:
- Onteora Bus Dismissals: 7
- Arrests; 1 Aggravated Unlicensed Operation
- Traffic Tickets: 33

**Supervisor’s Report:**

Supervisor Rozzelle made an application to Ashokan Watershed for grants to send Floodplain Managers to attend training conferences in June.

Town Office Building Renovation Project Plans have been received.

Highway Labor for General Fund:

General Buildings:	\$632.71
Highway Garage:	\$907.56
Legion:	\$ 25.21
Police:	<u>\$156.18</u>
Total	\$1721.66

Supervisor Rozzelle supplied the Town Board with spread sheets of the 2016 Utilities & Maintenance for the town buildings.

On a Rozzelle/Boggess motion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

**Aye-** Boggess, Sofranko, Friedel, and Rozzelle      **Nay**      **Absent-** Kelder