

## Ossian Town Board Minutes

- Date:** July 13, 2021
- Place:** Ossian Town Hall, 4706 Ossian Hill Rd., Dansville, Livingston County, State of New York
- Purpose:** Regular Board Meeting
- Present:** Supervisor Dwight Knapp, Councilman Chris Pero, Louis Patane, Patrick Jaeger, Code Enforcement Officer Robert Bourgoine, Highway Superintendent Keith Young, Town Clerk Steve Rauber, Assessor Holley Smalt
- Absent:** Councilman John Van Heusen
- Call to Order:** The Regular Meeting of the Ossian Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Dwight Knapp at 7:30 PM.
- Pledge:** The pledge to the flag was led by Deanne Knapp. A "Moment of Silence" was held for three deceased Town Residents – Bill Walker, Ray Bertalon and Charlie Potter.
- Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on June 8, 2021 and the Special Board Meeting on June 29, 2021 were presented. Councilman Patane moved to accept the minutes as presented. Councilman Jaeger seconded the motion. Carried.
- Communications:** A check in the amount of \$250 was submitted for the Zoning Grant. Also submitted was a request for a Grant from COVID funds. A thank you card was received from Don and Janeen Wilson for choosing them as Town of Ossian Seniors for 2021 recognition.
- Financial Report:** Supervisor Knapp presented the financial report for the month of June. Total disbursements were \$156,086.29 and total receipts were \$14,499.26 An error in addition was made under line A2590. It should read \$221.32 instead of \$201.00 Councilman Pero moved to accept the financial Report as corrected. Councilman Jaeger seconded the motion. Carried.
- Claims:** Highway Fund claims #90 through #107 totaling \$37,704.51 and General Fund claims #70 through #80 totaling \$20,666.29 were presented for audit. Councilman Patane moved to accept all claims presented for payment. Councilman Jaeger seconded the motion. Carried.
- Reports:** Town Clerk Rauber reported June receipts of \$202.00, all of which was presented to the Supervisor. Judge Wilson reported that he did \$100.00 of business in June. Code Enforcement Officer reported that he issued 5 building permits plus a fireworks permit in June. Assessor Smalt reported that she is compiling recent sales as she gets ready for a townwide update in 2022. Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman Tom Depuy stated that a County wide training session for Planning Board and ZBA members will be held at the Ossian Town Hall on 9-28-2021. Highway Superintendent Keith Young stated that his department has been doing oil and stone projects for the County. They also have been doing some ditching and roadside mowing.

**Other Business:**

Supervisor Knapp reported that his wife Deanne contacted the State Cemetery Office and was told that the Town should not be involved with a private cemetery. He stated that he has been in touch with the Town Attorney to handle the present agreement with the Whitney Cemetery which is owned by Norman and Joanne Wolfe.

Highway Superintendent Young stated that the Towns cost for a 2023 Western Star with all snow equipment and a 7 year unlimited warranty for a total cost of \$223,915.00. Councilman Patane moved to have the Highway Superintendent order the truck. Councilman Pero seconded the motion. Carried.

Highway Superintendent Young stated that he has received 4 applications for the Highway position. The Board decided to conduct interviews on Wednesday July 21, 2021 starting at 5:30pm. Young will contact those persons that applied for the position and set up interviews.

A proposed Local 6-2021, a Local Law to implement Environmental Quality Review which will supersede Local Law 1-1977 will be sent to the County Planning Board for review.

Keith Young stated that there are three headstones in need of repair in Wood Cemetery. Tom Depuy stated he would repair them.

The owner of Sugar Creek Campgrounds was in attendance at the meeting and addressed the Board about a section of the Zoning Law that addresses campgrounds. He stated that the Town's Zoning Law requires 2500 sq. ft. per camp site while the NYS Sanitary Code only requires 1250 sq. ft. The Board agreed to revisit that section of the Code. The owner of Sugar Creek Campground asked to be a part of the discussion on possible changes to that section of the Town's Code.

Councilman Pero moved to enter into Executive Session to discuss a pending legal matter. Councilman Jaeger seconded the motion. Carried. Councilman Patane moved to have Councilman Pero take minutes of the Session. Councilman Jaeger seconded the motion. Carried.

Councilman Jaeger moved to leave Executive Session and re-enter Regular Session. Councilman Pero seconded the motion. Carried. Councilman Pero reported " No action taken ".

**Adjournment:**

Councilman Pero moved to adjourn. Councilman Patane seconded the motion. Carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:51 pm.

Steve Rauber, Ossian Town Clerk  
July 15, 2021