

Ossian Town Board Minutes

- Date:** November 14, 2023
- Place:** Ossian Town Hall, 4706 Ossian Hill Rd., Dansville, Livingston County, State of New York
- Purpose:** Regular Board Meeting
- Present:** Supervisor Dwight Knapp; Councilmen David Mark, Louis Patane; Pat Jaeger, Councilman Pero, Highway Superintendent Keith Young; Town Clerk John VanHeusen, Tammy Malone for Bob Bourgoine , Legal Advisor Louis Colella
- Absent:** CEO Bob Bourgoine , Assessor Smalt
- 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 Lou Colella
- Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from October 10, 2023 Regular Board meeting and the October 23, 2023 Eco/Agritourism Kiosk project committee meeting were presented. Councilman Jaeger moved to accept the Minutes as presented. Councilman Patane seconded the motion. Carried.
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- Communications:** Supervisor Knapp shared that he received a letter from the County stating that the County Budget will have a 2.86% tax increase with all the increase going to a State Mandate on Medicaid Expenses to be passed down to the County level.
- Financial Report:** Supervisor Knapp presented the financial report for the month of October 2023. Total disbursements were \$ 63,826.90 total receipts were \$20,113.05. Councilman Patane moved to accept the financial Report. Councilman Mark seconded the motion. Carried
- Claims:** Highway Fund claims #153 through #170 totaling \$63,459.82 General Fund claims #119 through #138 totaling \$14,519.51 were presented for audit. Councilman Jaeger moved to accept all claims presented for payment. Councilman Pero seconded the motion. Carried.
- Reports:** Judge Wilson reported \$143.00 in fines. The Town Clerk presented a check to the Supervisor for \$107.00 for Fees collected for October 2023. CEO Bourgoine by Tammy Malone gave a written report to all board members, 5 building permits issued, one closed, and sent out 6 junk violations. Highway Superintendent Young reported they are getting all equipment ready for winter. They have also been hauling chipping stone for 2024 as there will be a shortage next year. They also have been trimming trees along Shay and Runyon roads. He also stated that the new pickup will be here mid April. Heather Pero stated that she is getting ready for 2024 Youth awards. Assessor Smalt stated she is getting exemptions ready for 2024.

Other Business:

Councilman Patane made a motion to allow the Supervisor to transfer \$7,500 from the ARPA Fund to the General Fund. Councilman Jaeger seconded the motion. Carried. Clerk VanHeusen read the legal notice for bids to install new roof on the Town Hall. After reading the notice he stated only one bid was received. The bid was opened and was sent by Mill – Hersh of Fillmore. The bid was read. After much discussion Councilman Pero made a motion to accept the bid of \$24,678.00 as long as roof venting was included and to use ARPA funds for this project. Councilman Jaeger seconded the motion. Carried. The clerk will notify Mill – Hersh and ask about the roof vent. Highway Superintendent Young stated that the 2 garage door openers at the shop were in need of replacing. The Board will take it up at the next Board meeting. Councilman Patane made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss employment history and asked that the Clerk, Legal Advisor Colella, and Tammy Malone to be present. Councilman Pero seconded the motion. Carried. Councilman Pero made a motion to leave Executive Session and return to the regular Board Meeting. Councilman Jaeger seconded the motion. Carried. The Clerk read the minutes from Executive Session. No action taken. Councilman Pero made a motion to have Tammy Malone to serve as Deputy CEO to the end of the year. Councilman Patane seconded the motion. Carried. Councilman Jaeger made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss Employment History and asked that the Clerk, Legal Advisor Colella, and Highway Superintendent Young to join. Councilman Pero seconded the motion. Carried. Councilman Jaeger made a motion to leave Executive Session and return to the Regular Board Meeting. Councilman Pero seconded the motion. Carried. The Clerk read the minutes from Executive session. No action taken. Councilman Pero made a motion to purchase a salter for the pickup for approximately \$3,154.00 from Marquarts. Councilman Jaeger seconded the motion. Carried.

Adjournment:

Councilman Pero moved to adjourn. Councilman Mark seconded the motion. Carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:42 pm

John VanHeusen, Ossian Town Clerk