

Oxford Town Board Meeting

Oxford Village Hall

Wednesday, September 14, 2022 – 7:30 pm

Board members met previously at 7:00pm at Town Pool location to see current updates to Pool Restoration., Town Supervisor Alan Davis called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The following individuals were present:

Supervisor Alan Davis, Town Councilman Ron Charles, Town Councilman Carl Koenig, Town Councilman John Hofmann, Councilman John Weidman, Planning Board Member Paul Romahn, Zoning Officer/Dog Warden Roger Barrows, Recreational Director Patrick Moore, Town Highway Superintendent William Pinney, Town Resident Canice Paliotta , and Town Clerk Tammy Dilfer

Supervisor Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

Approval of the Board Meeting Minutes for August 10, 2022

Councilman Weidman made a motion to approve the draft minutes for the Town Board meeting held on August 10th, 2022, Councilman Charles seconded the motion.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Supervisor Monthly Reports:

Revenues	\$ 6390.34
Appropriations	\$ 111,245.32
Pool Donations	\$ 2,000.00
General Fund Checking	\$ 64,656.79
Highway Fund Checking	\$ 81,752.68
Trust & Agency Checking	\$ 20,839.20
Water District #1 Checking	\$ 1,239.20
Pool Restoration Checking	\$ 73,991.22
CARES (ARPA) Checking	\$ 235,097.04

Communications:

Supervisor Alan Davis provided the Town's Excess Collateralization Reports for August 2022 to Town Clerk Dilfer for filing.

Public Comment:

Supervisor Davis welcomed Canice Paloitta, she came to the meeting asking for the letter of support for the Revitalization Project for Village of Oxford Mayor Terry Stark, Supervisor Davis stated Board has letter of support on agenda for Councilmen signatures , she mentioned there are grants available for refrigeration for outside of homes for farms who have farm stands.

Paul Romahn presented to the Board the subdivision for Land and Lakes will be reducing their subdivision to a minor subdivision of 4 or less properties. Mr Romahn is waiting for an updated survey map.

The Planning Board is working to tighten subdivision regulations as well.

Patrick Moore Recreational Director gave updates of the Pool Restoration Project.

As you can see from tonight's progress, power will be turned on Friday. The 6foot fencing should be started the first week of October.

Plans to start up the pump room, there is about 4' of water in the deep end, enough water to turn over the motors to make sure all is in working order. Once the contractor gives ok, Recreational Director Moore will notify the Village to turn on the water supply so they can clean everything up making sure everything is working properly.

Recreational Director Moore is concerned next year with chlorine deliveries since this year's driver shortage made it a challenge for deliveries. 55Gallons will last approximately 5 days, with the new system the first year will be tough to estimate what they will need. Once Recreational Director Moore has a good idea, he'll calculate the amount needed so they are not sitting on large amounts at the end of year in the 150 gallons tanks. Whatever is left over will be put in the pool for season closing as it won't be potent enough to use the following year.

Mr. Moore mentioned the possibility of hiring Todd to open the pool since he has set everything up and knows the system.

Mr. Moore would like to start weekends the 1st week of June then increase by 4th week of June to having the pool open all week. He would like it open as much as possible. This will be talked about in the early season next year.

Councilman Weidman asked for a price to remove concrete, Recreational Director Moore said he would give the price to Town Clerk Dilfer.

They are waiting on the door and changing rooms to be installed, the wrong size was sent. Once they have a good weather day they will install marker tapes in for the deep end, adding extra in the lower end as well.

Water must be in the pool for the winter months, Recreational Director Moore will have it running so the County can inspect good to go this year instead of waiting until next year for this approval.

Mr. Moore asked to keep the newly created pool signs at the Town Office for safekeeping until next year. Mr. Barrows suggested placing them up stairs, 2nd floor for safe keeping until ready to install them next year.

Mr. Moore handed out a packet requesting approval for payment #10 to Aqua Concepts

Supervisor Davis stated Payment # 10 to Aqua Concepts is in the vouchers for approval of payment \$57,839.80 Councilman Charles moves motion for approval. Seconded by Councilman Weidman, the entire board duly adopted.

Supervisor Davis just learned through Sarah while at the pool walk through, Previous Supervisor Lawrence said the Town would commit \$150,000.00 to the pool project. Mr. Davis was not aware of this.

The Pavillion will be discussed for next spring, they are about \$75,000.00 short to complete the contractual part with Delaware Engineering and Aqua Concepts. Supervisor Davis doesn't want to take on more than the town can afford this year.

New Business:

Supervisor Davis received the \$2,000.00 donation for the Pool Restoration Project from Stewart's Shops Grand Opening. Mr. Davis will place a Thank you note in the mail.

Supervisor Davis mentioned the use of ARPA monies for what is owed on the pool and possibly the new truck, currently the money must be expended by 2026 with intention of use by 2024. Supervisor Davis stated we have been talking about a new truck, the current dates delivery are 2025 to 2026 with current manufacturing schedule. Approx cost \$167,000.00.

Councilman Weidman asked if Tom Highland dropped off pricing for the truck they are proposing? Supervisor Davis confirmed he received them.

Councilman Hofmann asked where the Town is at with the contractor budget, there was an increase in budget due to the electrical. Quick calculation estimates about \$ 60,000.00 short.

Supervisor Davis states when Dog Warden picks up a dog, there is a \$75.00 money transaction the owner must pay the Town. Then send a check for the \$75.00 to the SPCA. Discussion to add an additional fee to cover town costs. This will need to be tabled until the next meeting once more research can be done.

Supervisor Davis has added a letter of support from Mayor Terry Stark for the Revitalization Project grant asking the board for signatures.

Old Business:

Town Clerk Dilfer would like to purchase Anti-virus software, Viper Security for the office computers. \$59.99 per year for up to 5 computers.

Councilman Charles said it was in the voucher signed for approval to purchase.

Supervisor Davis stated Superintendent Pinney updated the pipe for the pool walkway arrived today. The Town of Guilford will be helping in a couple of weeks to install it.

Supervisor Davis spoke with Richard Gregg on Columbia Street stopped in office, Mr. Davis spoke with him in regard to the trees giving him permission at his expense to cut the trees if he felt it was needed. Mr. Gregg is very concerned about the trees falling on his house.

Town Clerk Dilfer has chosen Gwen Kulina Hornbeck as Deputy Clerk . Councilman Charles made a motion to approve Gwen, Councilman Weidman seconded the motion.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Jim Hemstrought came in willing to help Town Clerk Dilfer during property tax time if needed; the board would need to approve allowing Mr. Hemstrought as needed on contractual basis.

Councilman Haufmann moves for motion approval of contracting Mr Hemstrought . Seconded by Councilman Charles, the entire board duly adopted.

Highway Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Pinney shared old business: Application has been submitted to DEC, just waiting for approval of Lyon Brook Rd – FS Lopkes estimated \$9,000.00 for the large stone. County is willing to help install these large stones .

Working on Corey road, main focus is road maintenance and helping other towns.

Supervisor Pinney mentioned the need to cut back trees hanging in roads which are weakened from the past April storm. He will research options and pricing to get these trimmed back. Brooks Banks and Puckerville Rd are the worst.

Bills and Claims:

Councilman Charles made a motion to approve the Bills and Claims as presented with Abstract #9. Councilman Weidman seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Executive Session: Councilman Weidman requested an Executive Session to discuss a Personnel matter.

Councilman Weidman made a motion to go into Executive Session at 08:23pm. Councilman Hofmann seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Councilman Charles made a motion to come out of Executive Session, Councilman Hofmann seconded the motion to end at 08:30pm.

Supervisor Davis stated the next Town Board meeting will be held on October 13th, 2022, at 7:30 p.m.

Supervisor Davis adjourned the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy L. Dilfer, Town Clerk