

OXFORD TOWN BOARD MEETING
Oxford Village Hall
Wednesday, November 6, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the Oxford Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Alan Davis at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall for the transaction of such business that may lawfully come before the Board. The meeting opened with a salute to the United States of America flag. Due and timely notice concerning the meeting was published in the Norwich Even Sun and placed on the Town website (<https://www.townofoxfordny.com/>).

The meeting was brought to order at 7:30 pm.

Present were:

Town Supervisor: Alan Davis

Council: John Weidman
Ron Charles

Town Highway Superintendent: William Pinney

Town Clerk: Mary Olmsted

Other present: None

Approval of Minutes - Town Board Meeting October 9, 2024

Minutes Previously Monthly Meeting:

A motion to approve the October 9, 2024, minutes as written. A motion was moved by Ron Charles, seconded by John Weidman, aye Alan Davis; all approved.

Communications:

Excess Collateralization was given to the Town Clerk for filing.

Supervisor Alan Davis read a letter from the NY State Agriculture and Markets for the SPCA dog shelter inspection that is required by the state, indicating that the SPCA passed the inspection. Additionally, a letter was received from the Riverview Cemetery Association requesting \$7,000.00 for road repair, stone repair, etc.

Supervisor's Monthly Report:

Revenue: \$109,340.84
Appropriations: \$107,491.64

Bank Balances:

General Fund Checking Account; \$34,750.32 General Savings: \$1,835.21
Highway Fund Checking Account: \$3,425.21 DA Savings: \$182,676.68
Trust & Agency Checking Account: \$13,372.81 DB Savings: \$79,592.66
Water District Checking Account: \$1,766.21

A Public Hearing for the Preliminary Budget was scheduled to begin at 7:45 pm.

Supervisor Davis read the Public Hearing notice published in the Evening Sun and Norwich Pennysaver to the Board. No additional persons from the public were in attendance for the Public Hearing. Motion moved by John Weidman to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Ron Charles, aye Alan Davis; all approved.

Public Comment:

No public comments.

Old Business:

No Old Business.

New Business:

Supervisor Davis informed the Board that another \$6,000.00 in tax revenue could be appropriated and still be under the tax cap according to the state tax cap calculations. After discussion the Board increased revenue account A1020 from \$212,796.00 to \$216,796.00 and revenue account DA1020 from \$351,271.00 to \$353,271.00. Revenue account SF-2-3410.4 Guilford Fire Protection was raised from \$5,300.00 to \$5,304.00.

Appropriation accounts were modified as follows:

Account A1220.4 Supervisor Equipment from \$0.00 to \$700.00.

Account A1410.4 Town Clerk Expense from \$5,000.00 to \$5,300.00.

Account A7140.4 Pool Expenses from \$14,000.00 to \$17,000.00.

Account SF-2-3410.4 Guilford Fire Protection from \$5,300.00 to \$5,304.00.

Account DA5130.2 Machinery Purchases from \$122,000.00 to \$124,000.00.

A motion was made to approve the amended budget, moved by Ron Charles, seconded by John Weidman. Roll call: Ron Charles, aye; John Weidman, aye; Alan Davis, aye. The Board reviewed the Water District #1 budget. A motion to approve the Water District #1 budget was made by John Weidman, seconded by Ron Charles. Roll call: Ron Charles, aye; John Weidman, aye; Alan Davis, aye.

Highway Superintendent Monthly Report:

Superintendent William Pinney discussed with the Board the option to purchase additional stone for use in 2025 at the 2024 prices using the money available in the current budget, as the price of the stone will increase in 2025. The Board discussed putting a Public Notice in the Evening Sun pertaining to seasonal road closures according to Highway Law (Section 205-A).

Superintendent Pinney mentioned an interest in paying a part-time employee to assist with snow removal. An amount of \$20.00 per hour was discussed.

Superintendent Pinney and Supervisor Davis surveyed the current damages from past flooding. The Supervisor spoke with FEMA as there is money available to assist the Town with revenue to help with flood damage. FEMA estimated that there is \$129,480.00 in damage at this time. Supervisor Davis has offered to reach out to FEMA again to discuss it further. Review and Approval of the Bills and Claims motion approved Alan, moved by John Weidman, seconded by Ron Charles; aye Alan Davis; all approved.

General Fund vouchers: #196 through #10010 - \$10,644.01

Highway Fund vouchers: #198 through #10011 - \$25,713.81

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:24 pm

Meeting Adjourned - Next meeting, December 11, 2024 - 7:30 pm - Village Hall