

November 7, 2022

Minutes of a Public Hearing and the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town of Otisco that was held November 7, 2027 at 7:00 PM at the Otisco Town Hall, 1924 Barker Street, Tully, New York with the following present:

Present: Supervisor Glenn Hall
Councilman Jesse Spaulding
Councilman Roger Volles
Councilman Scott Eipp
Councilman Peter Murphy

Others present: Highway Superintendent, Douglas Hoffman; Financial Advisor, Thomas Chartrand; Attorney for the Town, Craig J. Billinson; Patrick and Lori McDonough, Jackie Newton ,Shane Ryfun, Peter Sheedy, Linda Riehlman, Tim Creamer, Ann Ruggles, Jayne Baritell, Mark and Amber Balcom, Coleen Carlton, Denise Crawford, Thomas Wilson, S. Stanley Edinger, Ted Greczyn, Robert Covert, Sean Hoad, Cheryl Brunet: Tax Collector and Clerk to the Assessors and Town Clerk; Georgette T. Waldau.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 202 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

Motion was made by Councilman Jesse Spaulding and seconded Councilman Scott Eipp to open the Public Hearing.

The Public Hearing was called to order at 7:00 PM by Supervisor Glenn Hall and the pledge to the flag was given.

Financial Advisor Thomas Chartrand gave an overview of the proposed preliminary budget for 2023.

There were no public comments.

Motion was made by Councilman Scott Eipp and seconded by Councilman Roger Volles to close the Public Hearing at 7:15 PM.

(All in favor, motion carried)
(Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp, and Spaulding)

Ayes 5 Noes 0

RESOLUTION # 31

Motion was made by Councilman Roger Volles and seconded by Councilman Scott Eipp adopt 2023 Preliminary Budget as the Final Town Budget for 2023.

(All in favor, motion carried)
(Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp, and Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes 0

The minutes of the October 10, 2022 Regular Monthly Meeting were made available via email and discussed.

Motion was made by Councilman Peter Murphy and seconded by Councilman Jesse Spaulding to accept the October 10, 2022 minutes.

(All in favor, the motion carried)
(Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp and Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes 0

HIGHWAY

Highway Superintendent Douglas Hoffman reported:

Finished installing the play-ground equipment
The road speed sign needs repair.

SUPERVISOR REPORT

The Supervisor's Report was given by Financial Advisor Thomas Chartrand.

Motion was made by Councilman Scott Eipp and seconded by Councilman Roger Volles to accept the Supervisor's Report.

(All in favor, motion carried)
(Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp, and Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion was made Councilman Peter Murphy and seconded by Councilman Scott Eipp to pay the bills out of the proper funds. General Fund, Abstract #11 \$13,968.33 and Highway, Abstract #11 \$23,416.75.

(All in favor, motion carried)
 (Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp and Spaulding) - Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion was made by Councilman Scott Eipp and seconded by Councilman Jesse Spaulding to approve the following Transfer of Appropriations:

HIGHWAY FUND:

From: DA5130.2	Machinery	Equipment	\$10,000.00
		Total	\$10,000.00
To: DA5130.4	Machinery	Contractual	\$10,000.00
		Total	\$10,000.00

GENERAL FUND:

To: A4089	Federal Aid other	Revenue (Walking Trail)	\$28,973.00
		Total	\$28,973.00
From: A688	Other Liabilities	ARPA Revenue Replacement	\$28,973.00
		Total	\$28,973.00

GENERAL FUND:

From: A599	Surplus	ARPA (Walking Trail)	\$28,973.00
A5132.4	Garage	Contractual	7,807.00
		Total	\$36,780.00
To: A7110.2	Parks	Equipment	\$28,973.00
A5132.2	Garage	Equipment	7,807.00
		Total	\$36,780.00

(All in favor, motion carried)
 (Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp and Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion was made by Councilman Peter Murphy and seconded by Councilman Roger Volles to approve the Bank Reconciliation Statement presented to the Town Board by Financial Advisor Thomas Chartrand.

(All in favor, motion carried)
 (Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp and Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion was made by Councilman Roger Volles and seconded by Councilman Jesse Spaulding to pay the December 2022 payroll on December 12, 2022.

(All in favor, motion carried)
(Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp and Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes 0

PUBLIC CONCERNS

Jackie Newton addressed the Town Board regarding the speed limit on Otisco Valley Road. The State has control of the speed limit on Otisco Valley Road not the town. The town has a portable speed limit sign to make people aware of their speed but has no control of the actual speed.

Patrick McDonough and others expressed concerns regarding traffic and the environmental impact the 3M gallon manure pit on Canty Hill has on the town. Supervisor Glenn Hall and Councilman Peter Murphy explained the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and the USDA have certified plans. The pit will be concrete, and it is the towns understand the manure will be spread through a drag line in the ground, instead actual spreading the manure on top. DEC will set the regulations. Tim Creamer, President of the Otisco Lake Preservation and Community Center Board has a website explaining what the expectations are, how the pit is sealed, and Soil and Water will be monitoring the site to check for any leaks.

Mr. Peter Sheedy addressed the Town Board regarding Wonderland Forest. Mr. Sheedy has many concerns regarding the concerts, traffic and what impact this will have on the town. He has asked the Town Board if they could possibly put a stop work order on this project. The board explained at this time we have no authority. Local Law #1 of 1977 and the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR) was brought up as a way to put a stop order in effect. Attorney Craig J. Billinson, Attorney for the Town, then addressed this issue and explained when the Pine View Race Track was being built the town was in litigation in State Supreme Court and it was decided that our Local Law #1 of 1977 has no authority to put a stop order on a project because we have no zoning or Comprehensive Planning.

The board expressed they also have many concerns regarding this project also. Supervisor Hall will go back and speak to the owner of this project to express the towns concerns as well as the concerns and input of neighbors.

Motion was made Councilman Peter Murphy and seconded by Councilman Jesse Spaulding to enter into Executive Session @ 8:50 PM to discuss personnel matters, medical, discipline, promotion, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person and these discussions should take place in Executive Session with the board meeting in private since issues relating to town personnel matter were to be addressed, and that disclosure of these discussions at this time could impact the town board ability to address these matter in interest of the town and the public.

(All in favor, motion carried)
(Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp and Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion was made by Councilman Roger Volles and seconded by Councilman Scott Eipp to conclude Executive Session and to resume the Regular Town Board Meeting @ 9:00 PM.

Motion was made by Councilman Jesse Spaulding and seconded by Councilman Roger Volles to adjourn at 9:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted: _____
Georgette T. Waldau, Town Clerk