

## Ossian Town Board Minutes

- Date:** January 10, 2017
- Place:** Ossian Town Hall, 4706 Ossian Hill Rd., Dansville, Livingston County, State of New York
- Purpose:** Regular Board Meeting
- Present:** Supervisor Dwight Knapp, Councilman David Mark, Chris Pero, David Walker, John Van Heusen, Code Enforcement Officer Robert Bourgoine, Highway Superintendent Shaun Metcalfe, Town Clerk Steve Rauber, Assessor Holley Smalt
- Absent:** None
- 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 John Van Heusen.
- Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from the December 13, 2016 Regular Board Meeting, the December 22, 2016 Special Meeting, the December 29, 2016 Year End Meeting and the January 3, 2017 Organizational meeting were presented. Councilman Van Heusen moved to accept the minutes as presented. Councilman Walker seconded the motion. Carried.
- Privelige of Floor:** Town resident Sue White questioned the Board why their taxes were so high. Supervisor Knapp explained in detail that even after an additional 9.2 million dollar increase in assessments taxes needed to be raised to fund needed equipment purchases. Daniel Wensel presented the Board the rate increase in NYMIR insurance for 2017 which will be 6% for a yearly rate of \$14779.10.
- Communications:** Supervisor Knapp stated that the result of the audit of Town records has been received and no problems were found and no recommendations were made.
- Financial Report:** Supervisor Knapp presented the financial report for the month of December 2016. Total disbursements were \$55,605.49 and total receipts were \$44,456.40. Councilman Van Heusen moved to accept the financial report as presented. Councilman Mark seconded the motion. Carried.
- Claims:** Highway Fund claims #1 through #9 totaling \$5,308.92 and General Fund claims #1 through #16 totaling \$3,550.06 were presented for audit. Councilman Pero moved to accept all claims presented for payment. Councilman Walker seconded the motion. Carried.
- Reports:** Town Clerk Rauber reported a total business of \$166.50 for the month of December. A check for that amount was presented to the Supervisor.  
Town Justice Wilson presented \$566.00 from fines collected in the month of December to the Supervisor.

Code Enforcement Officer Bourgoine reported that there has been some interest in building on Frog Hill and Frost Roads. Youth Board Representative Tony Scavone discussed Teen Recognition and the deadline for applications is February 10, 2017. Highway Superintendent Metcalfe reported that they are busy plowing snow and equipment repairs. Town Historian Rhea Walker they will again be interested in running the Summer Youth Program. She stated that historical Society is researching churches in Ossian

**Other Business:** Councilman Mark moved to accept the “Agreement to Spend town Highway funds” as prepared by Highway Superintendent Metcalfe. Councilman Walker seconded the motion. Carried.  
The Agricultural Enhancement Program states that the Town will come up with \$1667.00 out of pocket funds in implementing the Program. This amount was not put in the 2017 Budget. Councilman Van Heusen moved to create a line item in the 2017 Budget for \$1667.00. Line item will be “Zoning contractual for NYS Farmland Grant – A8010.4a” Councilman Pero seconded the motion. Carried.

**Adjournment:** Councilman Pero moved to adjourn. Councilman Walker seconded the motion. Carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:12pm.

Steve Rauber, Ossian Town Clerk  
January 12, 2017