

## Ossian Town Board Minutes

- Date:** December 8, 2020
- Place:** Ossian Town Hall, 4706 Ossian Hill Rd., Dansville, Livingston County, State of New York
- Purpose:** Regular Board Meeting
- Present:** Supervisor Dwight Knapp, Councilman John Van Heusen, Louie Patane, Christopher Pero, Patrick Jaeger, Code Enforcement Officer Robert Bourgoine, Highway Superintendent Keith Young, Assessor Holly Smalt, Town Attorney Lou Colella
- Absent:** Town Clerk Steve Rauber
- Call to Order:** The Regular Board Meeting of the Ossian Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Knapp at 7:30 pm.
- Pledge to Flag** The pledge to the flag was led by Lou Colella.
- Approval of Minutes:** The minutes for the November 10, 2020 Regular Board Meeting were presented. Councilman Jaeger moved to accept the November 10, 2020 minutes as presented. Councilman Van Heusen seconded the motion. Carried.
- Public Hearing:** Supervisor Knapp announced that there will be two public hearings. The first will be the proposed new Town of Ossian Comprehensive Plan. The second will be the proposed Town of Ossian Zoning Law (Local Law 2-2020). Councilman Pero read the Legal Ad for all present. Sheila Hess then commented on the Comprehensive Plan. Supervisor Knapp then opened the Public Hearing and asked for any comments or questions. After the discussion period, Knapp stated that the hearing will be left open until later in the meeting.  
The second public hearing is on the proposed Town of Ossian Zoning Law. Town Attorney Lou Colella explained that there are insignificant changes to the Zoning Law and proposed Resolution #1, (see attached). Councilman Van Heusen moved to accept Resolution #1. Councilman Jaeger seconded the motion. Roll call vote - Carried unanimously. The Town Attorney the discussed the proposed Zoning Law.  
Supervisor Knapp then opened the public hearing on the proposed Town of Ossian Zoning Law and asked for questions and comments. After the comments were heard, he stated that the Hearing would remain open and revisited later in the meeting.
- Communications:** Supervisor Knapp reported that a new Highway Employee has been hired to start on 12/10/2020. His name id Raymond Acomb.
- Financial Report:** Financial Report for November 2020 was distributed by the Supervisor. Total receipts were \$35,734.77 and total disbursements were \$92,755.22. Councilman Patane moved to accept the Financial Report as presented. Councilman Jaeger seconded the motion. Carried.
- Claims:** Highway claims #150 through #161 totaling \$21,651.61 and General Fund claims #158 through #172 totaling \$8,867.57 were

presented for payment. Councilman Pero moved to accept all claims as presented. Councilman Van Heusen seconded the motion. Carried.

**Reports:**

Town Clerk Rauber reported a total business for November 2020 of \$171.00. The Towns share is \$168.00 which is presented to the Supervisor.

Judge Wilson had receipts of \$200.00 for November 2020. He also informed the Board by letter that his court will be closed during February and March 2021.

Code Enforcement Officer Bourgoine informed the Board that there is nothing new.

Highway Superintendent Young reported that they are getting ready for winter.

Assessor Smalt reported that she is working on exemptions.

**Other Business:**

Supervisor Knapp again asked if there were any comments on the proposed Comprehensive Plan. Hearing none, he closed the public hearing on the Comprehensive Plan. All members of the Board received a copy of the SEQR Resolution prior to the Meeting.

Sheila Hess then reviewed the SEQR determination with the Board. Councilman Patane moved to accept Resolution #2 ( see attached) SEQR and the Comprehensive Plan. John Van Heusen seconded the motion. Roll call vote – Carried unanimously.

Supervisor Knapp the asked if anyone present had comments.

Hearing none he closed the public hearing on the proposed Town of Ossian Zoning Law. Councilman Jaeger moved to accept the new Zoning Law (Local Law 2-2020) Resolution #3 (see attached).

Councilman Patane seconded the motion. Roll call vote – Carried unanimously. Councilman Pero moved to have the Town Clerk file Local Law 2-2020 with the State Department. Councilman Jaeger seconded the motion. Carried.

Supervisor Knapp stated that the Navistar class action suit has been settled. Our town will receive \$13,282.29.

The Yearend Meeting will be held on 12/23/2020 at 7PM.

The Organizational Meeting will be held on 1/5/2021 at 7PM.

**Adjournment:**

Councilman Van Heusen moved to adjourn. Council Jaeger seconded the motion. Carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:04 pm.

Minutes taken by Councilman Pero  
Typed by Stephen Rauber, Ossian Town Clerk  
December 23, 2020