

Village of Otisville

Regular Meeting

December 2, 2024

Meeting was called to order by President Jeff Lutze at 7:00 p. m. in the Tom Bess, Jr., Council Chambers.

PRESENT: Jeff Lutze, President. Council Members present: Vadice Burgett, Rick Ferguson, Jim Price, John Ray, and Sherry Hemingway. Bob Jennings, Dan Campbell, DPW, Kathy Martini, Clerk, and Matt Grovesteen, Police Chief.

ABSENT: Joel Glanton

AUDIENCE: Reagan Eickhoff

MOTION was made by John Ray and was supported by Vadice Burgett to accept the agenda as presented.

CARRIED – MOTION

MOTION was made by Vadice Burgett and was supported by Jim Price to accept the minutes as presented for November 18, 2024.

CARRIED – MOTION

MOTION was made by Sherry Hemingway and was supported by Rick Ferguson to pay all bills and draw warrants for same.

ROLL CALL – CARRIED – MOTION

MOTION was made by Vadice Burgett and was supported by John Ray to accept the liquor license for the deer camp dinner on 02-22-2024.

CARRIED – MOTION

MOTION was made by John Ray and was supported by Sherry Hemingway to sell the Police cruiser 2015 Ford Interceptor.

CARRIED – MOTION

MOTION was made by John Ray and was supported by Rick Ferguson to accept and apply for a 1.2-million-dollar bond for the WWTP.

ROLL CALL – CARRIED MOTION

Communication from Village Officials:

Robert Jennings:

Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) for Well 3 came in.

Planning Committee – Ordinance 202 allows 2 members to be on the board that do not live in the village. The Ordinance trumps the Bylaws. Denny Marsh took Dave Tatrow's position. We need one more member.

All the Forest of Lights trees are spoken for. There are 57 trees.

The property on Main Street that is for sale, we did a counter bid. The person that was interested in purchasing the property did not counter back.

WWTP – Met with Genesee County, we have an ARPA grant for \$600K, however we need to accept a 1.2- million-dollar bond or the State may take over and it will cost 10 million.
Doug Scott from Rowe Engineering is getting us a speck sheet on the WWTP, this excludes the ponds.

Dan Campbell:

Earned Sick Time Act – Employees accrue sick time at the rate of 1 hour for every 30 hours worked. Businesses with 10 or more employees must allow at up to 72 hours of paid sick time per year to be used to the extent the leave is accrued. Unused sick time can be carried over, but employers may limit annual accrual to no more than 72 hours. BS&A can set up to track the sick hours in Payroll. Will check with Attorney Mike Gildner to see if we can keep what we have.
We have 268 Ready to Serve customers, the base would be approximately \$ 94.77 per month including water and garbage.
Need to have a Water/Sewer Committee meeting on the WWTP.

Matthew Grovesteen:

We had a police committee meeting.
Billy is back from vacation.
Halloween went well.
We need to sell the old cruiser 2015 Ford Explorer Interceptor, as the inside equipment in the old cruiser was put into the new cruiser.

Kathy Martini:

The Standard insurance premiums are staying the same for the next 3 years. Standard Insurance will renew January 2025.

Committee Reports:

Police meeting went well, the committee will meet 1 more time.

Unfinished Business:

Community Standards – The trailer on Groves Street is gone. 400 W. Main cease and assist was postponed.
Wall of Fame – Ongoing
WWTP – Ongoing
Main Street Property – No counter offer. Will let it set till Spring.
Planning Board Membership – Ordinance 202 trumps Bylaws.

New Business:

Earned Sick Time Act – Goes into effect February 21, 2025.
WWTP Bond – Council approved to accept and apply for a 1.2-million-dollar bond.

Communications from Council Members:

John Ray – Can we keep the current sick hours we have and not go to the Earned Sick Time Act.
Vadice Burgett – Will get with DPW/Matt Grovesteen regarding the sell of the police cruiser.

MOTION was made by Vadice Burgett and was supported by Sherry Heminway to adjourn at 7:49 p.m.

Kathy Martini

Kathy Martini, Clerk

Next Meeting Date: December 16, 2024