

**TOWN OF OTEGO**

**AUGUST 10, 2023**

The Town Board of the Town of Otego held a Public Hearing followed by a regular board meeting on Wednesday, August 9, 2023 at 6:00 pm at the Municipal Building, 3526 State Highway 7, Otego, New York. The purpose of the meeting was to hold a public hearing on Local Law # 2 of 2023 – A Local Law Opting Out of S487 of the New York Real Property Tax Law; and to audit the bills and any other business coming before the board.

The following members were present:

Joseph Hurlburt	Town Supervisor
Terri Horan	Town Clerk
Barbara Stanton	Councilperson
Terry Brown	Councilperson
Royce Livingston	Councilperson
Jimmy Hamm	Councilperson
JR Hurlburt	Highway Supervisor

Public Hearing

Supervisor Hurlburt opened the public hearing on Local Law # 2 of 2023. The town attorney presented a summary of the proposed law. No discussion or questions ensued.

Motion to close the floor after no comments by Royce Livingston, seconded by Barbara Stanton.

All in Favor.

The hearing was closed at 6:10 pm and the regular meeting opened.

Minutes

A motion was made by Barbara Stanton, seconded by Royce Livingston, to accept the minutes of the July 12th meeting. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Supervisor's Report

Mr. Hurlburt read the Supervisor's report for July:

General Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$723,690.06
Receipts:	7,641.39
Disbursements:	<u>22,921.99</u>
Ending Balance:	\$708,409.46
General Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$ 38,255.75
Receipts:	404.77
Disbursements:	<u>1,194.40</u>
Ending Balance:	\$ 37,466.12
Highway Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$797,880.12
Receipts:	827.96
Disbursements:	<u>3,510.74</u>
Ending Balance:	\$795,197.34
Highway Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$1,053,628.39
Receipts:	13,861.19
Disbursements:	<u>32,186.20</u>
Ending Balance:	\$1,035,303.38

A motion was made by Terry Brown, seconded by Royce Livingston, to accept this report as read. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Dog Control Officer

Ellen Dwyer gave the dog report June 15, 2023 to August 8, 2023: 4 reports of loose/stray dogs; 4 unverified unable to catch/no complaint; 1 dangerous dog (pending) and one livestock complaint.

Town Clerk Report

Terri Horan presented the Town Clerk monthly report for July. She also read the listing of current Destruction of Records documents. Motion to approve list was made by Terry Brown, seconded by Royce Livingston.

Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

County Representative

Rick Brockway noted that Otsego County Hazardous Waste Days will be August 25<sup>th</sup> from 8 am to 11 am (Unadilla Town Barns) and August 26<sup>th</sup> from 8 am to 1 pm (The Meadows Complex). A listing of materials accepted is online. The town clerk will post the information on the town website and bulletin boards.

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Code Officer

There are a number of applications for smaller projects underway and Mr. Wilber is also working on a tenant-landlord complaint from 2021 as well.

Highway Report

Highway Supervisor Hurlburt said they will be paving with oil and stone in the upcoming weeks. The highway crew is now working on repairing roads from all the recent rain washouts. Also, the new backhoe is in.

Planning Board

The planning board is currently working on a lot line adjustment/lot split on County Highway 7 and a home occupation business for baked goods on Mill Creek Road.

Boiler Inspection

The inspection has been completed and mailed back to the state on August 1, 2023. The state boiler inspector showed up to verify the inspection and we now are good until July 2025.

Dog Control Officer

There have been no applications to date. Ellen has posted the position on the NYS DCO Facebook page and has taken flyers to area veterinarians. After discussion and price comparisons, the town approved advertising the job in the Pennysaver and All-Otsego and its affiliate newspapers.

ZBA Training

The Zoning Board is in need of updated training. Beth has agreed to look at her schedule for possible dates in September – with the time period of 4 pm to 5:30 pm. She will get back to Stuart Anderson, Zoning Board Chairman, with her suggestions.

Warrant #8

A motion was made by Royce Livingston, seconded by Barbara Stanton, to pay the warrant in the following amounts: General Fund vouchers # 155-171 in the amount of \$ 32,809.89 and Highway Fund vouchers # 86-95 in the amount of \$ 149,133.35 . Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nay

A motion was made by Royce Livingston, seconded by Terry Brown, to adjourn the meeting.  
Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terri Horan  
Town Clerk

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\_\_\_\_\_ Councilperson

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