

Village of Owego Board of Trustees Meeting

A regularly scheduled Village of Owego Mayor and Board of Trustees meeting was held on Monday, April 4, 2016 at 7:20 pm at 20 Elm Street, Owego, New York, 13827. The following people were in attendance:

Mayor:	Steve May
Trustees:	Jenny Ceccherelli Earl Hartman Rob Manville Phoebe Morris Ed Morton Mike Phelps
Clerk-Treasurer:	Rod Marchewka
Village Attorney:	Robert McKertich
Police Chief:	Karen Vinti
WWTP Supt.:	Ron Horton
DPW Supt.:	Jeff Soules
Fire Chief:	Dan Gavin

Insert "A" – Sign in Sheet

Pledge.

Public Comment:

Jim Legursky – what is going on with the sewer truck repair?

I have a water problem at my home on Depot Street. Water drains to the sidewalk making it a hazardous condition. I would like the village to fix this problem.

Fran Dunbar – thank you to Dan Gavin & Earl Hartman for filling out and returning the Mass Gathering Permit to the Strawberry Festival Committee so they can turn it in to NYSDOT.

RENOVUS – Solar Energy - by Jon McNamara, Stefano B. Reda, and Rob Jetty presented the board with a power point presentation on solar energy and impact on saving the village money on their electric bills. (Power Point print out will be on file in the clerk's office)

Motion by Trustee Hartman, seconded by Trustee Ceccherelli, to approve the parade permit for the Owego Prom for May 21, 2016 (Pumpelly House, Front Street). Roll Call Vote: Trustee Ceccherelli, Trustee Hartman, Trustee Manville, Trustee Morris, Trustee Morton, Trustee Phelps, and Mayor May voted aye.

Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Trustee Ceccherelli, seconded by Trustee Hartman, to approve the Village of Owego Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes of March 21, 2016 as submitted by the clerk-treasurer. Roll Call Vote: Trustee Ceccherelli, Trustee Hartman, Trustee Manville, Trustee Morris, Trustee Phelps, voted aye. Mayor May and Trustee Morton abstained.

Motion Carried 5-0-2

Motion by Trustee Morris, seconded by Trustee Phelps, to approve the payment of bills as submitted by the clerk-treasurer as follows:

General Fund	-	\$167,138.65
Police Reserve	-	\$ 1,109.27
Sewer Fund	-	\$ 55,196.20
Sewer Plant Upgrade	-	\$ 91,542.68
Trust & Agency	-	<u>\$ 124.55</u>
		\$315,111.35

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Ceccherelli, Trustee Hartman, Trustee Morris, Trustee Morton, Trustee Phelps, and Mayor May voted aye. Trustee Morton abstained.

Motion Carried 6-0-1

Motion by Trustee Hartman, seconded by Trustee Ceccherelli, to set the date of May 2, 2016 at 7:00 pm as a time for a Public Hearing on Local Law No. 2 of the Year 2016 "A Local Law Amending the Village of Owego Code of Ethics Regarding Trustees Who Are Members of the Fire Department". **Roll Call Vote:** Trustee Ceccherelli, Trustee Hartman, Trustee Manville, Trustee Morris, Trustee Morton, Trustee Phelps, and Mayor May voted aye.

Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Trustee Hartman, seconded by Trustee Morris, to set the date of May 2, 2016 at 7:10 pm as a time for a Public Hearing on Local Law No. 3 of the Year 2016 "A Local Law Amending Chapter 49 of the Village of Owego Code Regarding Residency Requirements for the Fire Chiefs". **Roll Call Vote:** Trustee Ceccherelli, Trustee Hartman, Trustee Manville, Trustee Morris, Trustee Morton, Trustee Phelps, and Mayor May voted aye.

Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by Trustee Ceccherelli, seconded by Trustee Hartman, to approve the following Resolution:

At a regular meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Owego, held at the Village Board Room, 20 Elm Street, Owego, New York on the 4th day of April, 2016, the following resolution was offered and seconded:

WHEREAS, the Village of Owego has instituted the Village of Owego Housing Rehabilitation Program, CDBG Project #875CRF-HR100-14; and

WHEREAS, said Program requires the appointment of a Certifying Officer for the Environmental Review Record; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of the Village of Owego hereby appoints Mayor Steve May to serve as the Certifying Officer for the Environmental Review Record said Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Ceccherelli, Trustee Hartman, Trustee Manville, Trustee Morris, Trustee Morton, Trustee Phelps, and Mayor May voted aye.

Motion Carried 7-0

Department Head Reports:

WWTP Supt. Horton -

VOOBM 4-4-2016

Date: 4/1/16

To: Village Board of Trustee's

From: Ron Horton, Supt. WWTP

Re: Department update

1. Project meeting was held on March 30th.
2. Disinfection and effluent flow monitoring study completed and submitted for final payment from EFC. EFC to reimburse village the remaining \$15,000.00 for the grant.
3. Installed service to 109 Green St.
4. Placed Primary Digester back into service.
5. Sent 3 - 20 yd containers of bio-solids to Dickson's for disposal.
6. Returned Aries camera unit for repairs, seals in camera head are leaking, also sent the CCU for diagnostics.
7. Headworks start up planned for April 27th.

- Sewer truck is being repaired per instructions from the board on February 1, 2016

DPW Supt. Soules --

MEMO

To: Village of Owego Mayor Steve May and Village Board of Trustees

From: Superintendent of Public Works - Jeff Soules

Date: April 1, 2016

RE: DPW Activity Report

- Met with 3D re FEMA PW closeouts
- Re-establish north Nature Trail between Talcott and Black Bridge
- Start rehab on softball fields
- Met with Sam
- Weed removal in Marvin Park
- Remove stump Montrose Turnpike
- Trim trees Marvin Park, Halstead
- Rake Boland Park
- Talcott Street bridge drainage
- Remove concrete from Marvin Park
- Coral restoration Marvin Park
- Christmas lights removed from Court House Square
- Repair Dean Street washout
- Clean up cemetery for Easter services
- 74 Fox St. tree down and cleaned up
- Code violations for residential refuse - ongoing
- Forever green property maintenance - ongoing
- Measure DSNY cut outs on going
- Repair DPW equipment
- Pot hole patching ongoing
- Brush and leaf pick up ongoing
- Planning, Zoning and Historic Preservation meetings scheduled

Any questions or concerns please call me.

- Lake Street to be closed April 18th & 19th by SUEZ Water to repair water lines. The board asked Jeff to see if they could possibly do this project at night.

Motion by Mayor May, seconded by Trustee Phelps, to hold an executive session on legal issues (law suit). Roll Call Vote: Trustee Ceccherelli, Trustee Hartman, Trustee Manville, Trustee Morris, Trustee Morton, Trustee Phelps, and Mayor May voted aye.

Motion Carried 7-0

Public Comment:

Jim Legursky – Village should charge for the Strawberry Festival since it creates parking problems and trash on his property. Are they going to have to pay the village for permits?

Heinz Hoffman – on payment of bills – do the trustees get to review the bills? Yes, they are sent out by e-mail and any questions are answered before the meeting.

How about sewer bill changes? Mayor May advised they are still working on this issue.

8:10 pm – into executive session

8:40 pm – out of executive session

No action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm

