









## REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF ORANGE, FEBRUARY 5, 2018

David Garwood with Pinsky Law Firm out of Syracuse representing Monterey Fire Company- the Monterey Fire department has retained Pinsky Law firm to represent them moving forward. There still is a Monterey Fire, they are not contracted with anyone, but still exist. There was talk about shutting down the department with the previous chief. This was bad information given by the previous chief, and the fire department will not be shut down, and the fire department is committed to providing service to the Town of Orange. Pinsky Law firm will be providing the information that was requested by the town's attorney. Also Pinsky's will be providing some resources to the Monterey Fire department so they can get some training they need. List of all members, board of directors, and officers will be given to the town board. Mel Horton was voted in as the Chief December. But it does take some funding to go further in training, and the Monterey Fire company is seeking out some funds from the town. The new contracts did lack the appropriate time of a published notice of a public hearing on these new contracts, nor did the public have time to weigh on these new contracts, or even view the contracts before the town board voted on them. The public hearing that was talk about earlier was a way of fixing the mistakes that was stated before when the town board meets again.

Minard LaFever did state that the public meeting held in November was advertised properly, and that it was open to the public. Discussion did go around the room three times on various topics regarding the Monterey Fire Co. Mel Horton did attend the meeting as well. 18 months prior to the November meeting that three other fire departments where providing fire protection to the Town of Orange. Expending their funds providing primary service over the Town of Orange fire district. Those fire department where not receiving any funds for providing primary care.

Some statements where said about the former Chief on his ability to lead and encourage members to stay apart of the department. Some lack of maintenance on fire equipment, sexual harassment allegations, then approaching the town board saying that they cannot respond to calls due to lack of membership, etc. Some raised questions to these statements, and now that the old chief is gone their members are back that want to help provide fire protection.

David Garwood - The fire company need the town board's help and the funding to get things back up and running. Even if the board wants other department providing protection, but what we are asking is that Monterey Fire Co. be a part of the process that help get these fire contacts up and running with some funding going to the Monterey Fire Co. for training. Whether it be a month to month or a six-month contract. The Monterey Fire Co. will provide to the town board a budget of what they would need in order to pay for training.

It was discussed at a length of time about distance between other fire departments and the time to reach, funding needed, what the town board can do to recognize the Monterey Fire Co., see what information they can provide to the board, training that is

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needed to meet the requirements, and the encouragement that Monterey Fire Co. can provide fire protection in the future.

RESOLUTION #43

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Susan Allen that the meeting was closed at 8:10 pm

ADOPTED

AYES 4

NAYS 0

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

**PUBLIC MEETING REGARDING MONTEREY FIRE DEPARTMENT, MONDAY  
FEBRUARY 26, 2018 AT 6:27PM.**

Board attendance: Minard LaFever – Town Supervisor  
Jocelyn Harrison – Councilwoman  
Susan Allen – Councilwoman  
Rick Hendrick – Councilman  
Nancy Whipple – Councilwoman

Other attendance: Matt Maloney, Bill Meehan, Duke McPherson, Jill McPherson, Sharon Clark, Morgan Colegrove, Jim Pinkard, Brain Gardner, Carbin Smith, Beth Hendrick, Larry Baker, Mary Olin, Henry Taylor jr, Joanne Randall, Neil Cudworth, Al Buckland, Rodney Hoad, Thomas Peer, Town Clerk.

This meeting was held to notify the residents of the Town of Orange of changes in the Fire Contracts for 2018. All members of the Town of Orange were present along with Brian Gardner from the Schuyler County Emergency Management Office, Nate Tormey, Fire Chief, Tyrone Fire Department, Rodney Hoad, Fire Chief, Bradford Fire Department, Kirk Smith, Fire Chief, Beaver Dams Fire Department.

In October the fire department coordinated a plan for coverage. The Town of Orange is 55.5 square miles and it has been 38.5 Monterey, 5.5 Bradford, and 11.5 Beaver Dams. Tyrone zero.

This has been changed to adding 19 miles to Beaver Dams for a total of 24 with 269 residents and 715 properties, Bradford adding 4.5 miles with 257 residents and 510 properties, 15.5 miles for Tyrone with 188 residents with 386 properties.

**Tyrone discussion -**

Some questions were raised about East Campbell not being considered to help cover the Town of Orange. They are a lot closer to some resident houses than Beaver Dams, Bradford, and Tyrone. Nate Tormey stated that East Campbell is close to being in the same boat as the Monterey Fire Department. Due to low membership and personnel that can respond to fire calls Monterey is unable to meet basis requirements. It was not they were not considered in this plan, but was looking at what were the best options for the Town Orange in which fire companies can provide adequate fire protection. This has even been talk about with Steuben Emergency Management, and they said the same about East Campbell being close to not being able to provide adequate fire protection. Coopers Plains Fire Co. has been covering most parts of East Campbell in fire protection. Hornby is even being covered by Coopers Plain. This is not an uncommon problem across the whole state where they are having low membership problems. Some residents wanted to know what was going on within the Monterey Fire Co. Some want to know if it is poor money management, lack of people. The Town Board

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expressed that they do not want to get in between Monterey Fire Co. in house problems. There issues that are going on in house and they need to work out the details. Some add are we not using our tax dollars to fund the Monterey Fire Co. and the board stated that they have in the past and are not currently giving them tax dollars because they have not provide fire protection.

Some questions were raised over the \$140,000 that was taken from the States, but Jim Pinkard addressed that the money was paid back to the fire company because the States were bonded that amount of money. The insurance company was the one who paid the amount, and the States will be paying back the insurance company. Jim stated that with the money that was given to back to Monterey was used to pay off the fire trucks. There are no outstanding bills, as far as that Jim does not know anymore at this time since he is no long part of the Monterey Fire Co.

These fire contracts are through till the end of 2018, and will be looked at over again in 2019. The map of the boundaries is only for 2018 year, and will be looked at again in 2019.

**Beaver Dams discussion -**

Some wanted to know if Beaver Dams would cover one side of the road and Bradford and Tyrone would cover the other side. The board stated that the line was drawn somewhere and County Road 16 is just one of those natural boundaries that was easy to consider.

What would happen to the Monterey equipment? The board stated that Monterey is still a fire company and owns the equipment. The board adds that they are only here to talk about fire protection in the Town of Orange, and anything relating to Monterey internal affairs would have to be directed to them.

One stated why not auction off the equipment and give the property back to the town. The board stated that Monterey is still a fire company who is seeking training and growing its membership to meet the needs of fire protection for the Town of Orange. It will get to a point where they can come back as a fire company contracted with the town at a later date.

Some resident felt that their homes are too far away for any of the fire companies being considered for the 2018 fire protection.

Beaver Dams ISO rating is four when it comes to fire protection insurance, while under the Monterey fire protection their ISO rating is a nine, as stated by the Beaver Dams fire chief. He adds that some residents may experience a better response time.

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**Fire Districts vs. Fire Boundaries**

David Garwood Lawyer representing Monterey Fire Co. - Why make three fire districts when there is already one, and if the plan is to allow Monterey Fire Co. to come back in 2019, why change this map at all. By making three different fire districts you are creating three different taxed fire zones. Bradford fire protections district would pay their portion of fire tax. Tyrone fire protection district would pay their portion on fire tax. Beaver Dams fire protection district would pay their portion on fire tax. Basically creating three different tax zones within the Town of Orange. Currently under the 2018 budget the town has collected \$115,000 dollars that is based off of resident's property. Under the current resolution being proposed the town is creating three different taxed zones for next year. Understanding that the plan is to divide the \$115,000 three ways to the fire departments that will be providing fire protection.

Fire Protection district is one whole district that one fire department will cover.

Fire Protection area is where multiple fire departments come in to help.

The current plan has nothing to do with taxation and will not affect how taxes will be change in the near future. No tax rates have been changed in the 2018 budget year.

**Bradford discussion -**

Back in December or November meeting about the fire contracts. Someone stated that if a fire company who is providing mutual aid wrecks or damages their vehicle on their way to the scene. The fire company who is getting the mutual aid would have to have the wreck or damages covered by their own insurance. Under the new contracts that would eliminate the mutual aid as they would be the primary fire protector.

**Tyrone Fire Contract discussion -**

No further discussion was needed.

**Beaver Dams Fire Contract discussion -**

No further discussion was needed.

**Bradford Fire Contract discussion -**

No further discussion was needed.

**RESOLUTION #44**

The Town of Orange, Town Board hereby adopts the following Resolutions:







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Highway Supervisor - Clean out pipe up on Wallet Road, beavers have plugged it up again. Templar road did some patch work on it, band aid it because it is falling apart, and going to have to replace a pipe on that road in the spring. Locus lane ended up changing the pipe at the end of the road keep getting pulled up. Fixing potholes as they come, and pretty much dealing with the snow right now.

Justice report- For the month of January they took in \$600.00 dollars in fines.

Clerk Report – presented at meeting

Town Supervisor – No deposit from highway, General fund had a deposit of \$1641.70 and the court deposit was \$609.00. Paid the bills in the highway fund \$26,943.07, general funds bills \$7,287.63, and the trust and agencies \$2387.56. With a balance of \$148,362.57 for the highway account, and \$50,617.57 for the general fund.

RESOLUTION #51

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison to accept the town official's reports

ADOPTED                      AYES    4                      NAYS    0

Rich Hurley was not present to give his report

Fire Departments reports

Bradford – Had 1 ambulance call, no fire in the Town of Orange. In the Town of Bradford had 11 ambulance calls, 1 fire, 1 mutual aid to Tyrone for a structure fire, all totaling hours of 443 hours of service.

Beaver Dams – Had 25 calls in the last 30 day, 9 happened Friday night into Saturday morning about the trees and wires. 11 EMS calls, 1 structure fire, 3 mutual aid calls, 2 being structures fires and 1 being an EMS call. 1 CO detector and 1 fire alarm. With that being 49 calls this year. Had annually banquet with a total of 1017 training hours being recorded by the department. 2310 department training hours within house. 1595 hour truck training hours. 2061 on scene man hours. 7537 hours were giving by the Beaver Dams Fire department. About a year ago they elected to carry Narcan on their trucks and had the opportunity administrator a dose to save one life on a call.

Tyrone – 14 call, 10 in Tyrone and 4 in Town of Orange. 76 hours 300 miles.

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Monterey – Continue training in house, will be conducting Emergency vehicle training classroom only. We have been holding fund raising every other weekend.

RESOLUTION #52

Motion was made by Sue Allen, and Rick Hendrick seconded to accept the January Meeting Minutes.

ADOPTED                      AYES     4                      NAYS     0

NEW BUSINESS

Chelsea Bailey for the Schuyler County Health Office stopped by to inform the Town of Orange that they will be conducting a POD drill on April 10th. The drill will help Schuyler County Public Health train for an outbreak on a kind of diseases or flu. They will set up at the Human Services Complex in Montour Falls, and will act as an ideal disease control area where they can administer a vaccine. This is all a planned training and will only be running this as a drill, and welcoming the public to come and help by being pretend people who could be potential victims of an outbreak. There will be a public announcement on the local TV networks about how and when people can show up at the Human Service Complex for the two hours they will be running the simulation. Other counties will be doing the same POD drill and in the announcement it will tell people where they can go, and how you can pre register to participate in the POD drill.

The Health Office also talked about the importance of getting your flu shot. The flu has been bad this year and that they have seen an increase in the number of people getting the flu. They stated if you get the flu shot you are 40% less likely to get the flu, and pass it on to someone else. The Health Office will be giving out flu shots, but do have a limited supply. If you are elderly or young, you are at a higher risk of getting the flu and it is possible that it can become deadly. Had five children deaths this year so far due to the flu outbreak.

The Health Office will be offering a rabies clinic in Tyrone because they like to keep towns on a three year cycle, and will be held December 1st. The Town of Orange should have it next year because that is when it will be its third year scene the last one. Better year in 2017 with no facilities due to the outbreak of rabies. New Health Office employees will be coming around to talk about what they are doing.

There was talk about Town Clean Up day and when it will be held. The town board would table it to the next meeting where they could work out the details better of when to hold the town event. That will be the April 2nd meeting. In the past it was normally held in June, and there was talk about holding one in the fall before winter comes.

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PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR/PUBLIC CONCERNS

Are all the trucks running? Jeremy stated that all trucks are up and running, truck 2# had a new driveshaft put in.

The Hornby Hill Road stop sign at the four corners of Coon Hollow/Hornby Road is missing and some people have been driving through without stopping. Jeremy stated that he will be replacing the sign as soon as the frost has let up, so they can drive down a new post.

There was talk about break away bolts on new stop sign so the sign just gets knocked down and can be put up easily.

Snow plowing road and the ability to keep up with the down fall of snow. It was hard to respond to a call about a tree falling down on a propane tank on Sexton Hollow. Jeremy added that it takes 2 hours for one run of plowing and returning to the barn to be refilled. Took 45 minutes to respond to that call due to the road conditions. There was talk about the amount of time that each plow driver needs to rest and they all tend to rest a the same time because they are trying to time when there will be the least amount of traffic on the road.

RESOLUTION #53

On motion of Susan Allen, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison that the meeting be closed at 7:13 pm

ADOPTED

AYES 4

NAYS 0

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

RESCHEDULE BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF ORANGE, APRIL 20, 2108

A reschedule board meeting of the Town of Orange was held on Monday, April 20, 2018 in the Town of Orange Town Hall at 6:30PM; due to that quorum was not meet on April 2, 2018, with the following members present:

PRESENT: Minard LaFever, Supervisor  
Susan Allen, Councilwoman  
Rick Hendrick, Councilman  
Nancy Whipple, Councilwoman  
Jocelyn Harrison, Councilwoman

OTHER PRESENT: Vicki Flynn, Assessor, Al Buckland, COE, Jeremy Abbey, Highway Supervisor, Mary Olin, Rob Haplin, Town Attorney, Mel Horton, Monterey Fire Chief, Kelly Groves, Kail Horton, Sam Mattison, Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

RESOLUTION # 54

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Rick Hendrick the Highway Fund Vouchers on Abstract #004 in the amount of \$39,802.69 were paid.

ADOPTED                      AYES    4                      NAYS    0

RESOLUTION #55

On motion of Susan Allen, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison the General Fund Vouchers on Abstract #004 in the amount of \$30,308.15 were paid.

ADOPTED                      AYES    4                      NAYS    0

RESOLUTION #56

On motion of Rick Hendrick, seconded by Susan Allen the Trust & Agency Vouchers on Abstract #004 in the amount of \$178.00 were paid.

ADOPTED                      AYES    4                      NAYS    0

Assessor Report - All exemptions are in, and if there are not it is past the deadline. Grievance Day is May 29th 4 pm to 8 pm, still have Skip, Nick and Gary will make up the board.

Code Officer Report - 1 building permit, 12 inspections, 26 hours with 254 miles

Superintendent of Highways report - Service the ten wheeler truck, truck 1 and 2, took four loads of crushed stone to Yawger Hill Road, EM to look at a tractor for mowing the roads, had a meeting with CAT on a lease to own roller. Truck #2 is down and trying to think of ways to sell the truck. Could cost \$36,000 to fix the motor, cut some trees on Coon Hollow Road, and had a meeting with Soil and Water to see about getting grant -

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-money to fix the Sexton Hollow Bridge and other pipes that need to be supported and or replaced. Would like to say thanks to the State DOT for coming in and helping with some of the snow drifts that were happening. Not sure about the deputy but there is some schooling coming up and Doug would like to go because he is the next in line to replace Randy. The classes will be held on April 4th.

Justice - \$193.00 Check given to the town for February.

Town Clerk's report - Shown at meeting

Supervisor's report – no report

RESOLUTION #57

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Rick Hendrick to accept all the town official reports.

ADOPTED

AYES 4

NAYS 0

Fire Department Reports -

Beaver Dams - 35 calls, 20 EMS, 3 hazardous conditions, 4 mutual aid, 2 community services, 2 MBA, 3 alarm fire, 1 structure fire. January 1st of 2019 207A state will hopefully pass a law is a Firefighter benefit law aka the cancer law that will help firefighters with medical needs due to their service. This could cost more money to pay towards the fund for inter firefighters, and this could lead to more money to budget in the future for it.

Tyrone - 22 calls, 5 fires, 17 EMS, 46 man hours, 209 miles

Monterey - 65 man hours of training, 35 activities hours, Emergency vehicle training, and how to use the equipment the right way.

Sinking hole in the cemetery where they are placing the bodies. Asking for dirt to fill in the holes, Jeremy said that he will work with Wendy on getting dirt where it is needed and they can correct the problem.

NO – Report from Rich Hurley, Environmental Management Council

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NEW BUSINESS

Resolution of Schuyler County Industrial Development -

RESOLUTION OF THE SCHUYLER COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR THE NOMINATION AND CREATION OF OPPORTUNITY ZONES CENSUS TRACTS 9503 AND 9505 LOCATED IN SCHUYLER COUNTY

WHEREAS, by Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law (“GML”) of the State of New York, as amended, and Chapter 21 of the Laws of 1971 of the State of New York, as amended (hereinafter collectively called the “Act”), **SCHUYLER COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY** (the “Agency”) was created with the authority and power to own lease and sell property for the purpose of, among other things, acquiring, constructing and equipping industrial, manufacturing and commercial facilities as authorized by the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Agency supports the economic development of all of Schuyler County and specifically area of the county with high job loss, high unemployment, significant poverty, and that have been underserved; and

WHEREAS, Opportunity Zone are a new community development program established by Congress in the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 to encourage long-term investments in low-income urban and rural communities nationwide; and

WHEREAS, the Opportunity Zone programs provide a tax incentive for investors to reinvest their unrealized capital gains into Opportunity Funds that are dedicated to investing into Opportunity Zones designated by the chief executive of every U.S. state and territory; and

WHEREAS, an Opportunity Fund would provide funding for diverse economic development and redevelopment projects including but not limited to public infrastructure improvements, job creation initiatives, and real estate development; and

WHEREAS, the Agency voted to approve the purchase and redevelopment of Camp Monterey for \$300,000 at the January 10, 2018 meeting and Camp Monterey is located in Census Tract 9503; and

WHEREAS, redevelopment of Camp Monterey could utilize funding through an Opportunity Fund set up for use in the Opportunity Zone.

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WHEREAS, the Agency desires to support the nomination and creation of Opportunity Zones in Census Tract 9503 and Census Tract 9505.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE SCHUYLER COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Town Supervisor and Town Board of the Agency are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to support the nomination and creation of the opportunity zones.

Section 2. These Resolutions shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

RESOLUTION #58

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Nancy Whipple to accept the Schuyler County Industrial Development Opportunity Zone Program

ADOPTED

AYES 4

NAYS 0

Clean Up Day - Will be held on Saturday May 12th from 8 am to Noon at the old town barn in the center of Monterey. It will be free to any resident of the Town of Orange, but it will cost \$3 a tire for people who bring them.

Clerk Hours on April 22nd to 26th - The office of the Town Clerk will be closed due to him going to a conference in Albany for town clerks.

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR/PUBLIC CONCERNS

A resident asked about the check that was made out to the United States Treasury for an old IRS filing mistake that took place in 2014. The Check was written for \$15,568.80. The resident was just considered that the taxpayers are the one who are really hurt by this miss filing and that something can be done in the future to make sure that this mistake could not happen again.

RESOLUTION #59

On motion of Rick Hendrick, seconded by Susan Allen the meeting adjourned at 6:54PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF ORANGE, MAY 7, 2018

A regular board meeting of the Town of Orange was held on Monday, May 7, 2018 in the Town of Orange Town Hall at 6:36PM with the following members present:

PRESENT: Minard LaFever, Supervisor  
Rick Hendrick, Councilman  
Nancy Whipple, Councilwoman  
Susan Allen, Councilwoman

ABSENT: Jocelyn Harrison, Councilwoman

OTHERS PRESENT: Mary Olin, Matt Maloney, Tyrone Fire Department, Cody Shaut, Bradford Fire Department, Rodney Hoad, Bradford Fire Department, Rich Hurley, Environmental Management rep, Larry Baker, Mel Horton, Chief Monterey Fire Department, Jeremy Abby, Highway Supervisor, Vicki Flynn, Assessor, Jim Pinkard, Sam Mattison, Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

AUDIT BILLS

RESOLUTION #60

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Rick Hendrick the Highway Fund Vouchers on Abstract #005 in the amount of \$77,145.29 were paid.

ADOPTED                      AYES    4                      NAYS    0

RESOLUTION #61

On motion of Rick Hendricks, seconded by Susan Allen the Trust and Agency vouchers on Abstract #005 in the amount of \$1,209.48 were paid.

ADOPTED                      AYES    4                      NAYS    0

RESOLUTION #62

On motion of Susan Allen, seconded by Nancy Whipple the General Fund Vouchers on Abstract #005 in the amount of \$13,867.90 were paid.

ADOPTED                      AYES    4                      NAYS    0

TOWN OFFICIAL REPORTS

Assessor - Grievance Day is May 29th 4 pm to 8 pm. Are Gary, Skip, and Nick on the grievance board? - Thomas Peer the Town Clerk stated that they were all appointed at the January reorganizational meeting. There was no review of the tax roll, so no changes in people's tax, unless they had a building permit for any of their properties. Did work on the buildings Wi-Fi, and got it back up and running with the help from Joe the new town assessor, but did not have it early today. Would check after the meeting.

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Building Code Officer - Vicki stated that Al had been sick, and had gone to see the doctor. There was no other report given.

Highway Supervisor - Grading, raking, and rolling the roadways. Put in three new pipes on roadways. Need first payment for the CAT roller that the town is leasing. - It was stated that the first payment was in the Highway fund bills. Jeremy then stated that was why the Highway bills were so high for the month of May. Truck #2 is back in the town yard, and 580-k tractor; wants to know what the town board wishes to do with it. - The board would need the vin numbers of any vehicle that Jeremy wants to move to surplus equipment. Then he can seek out Auctions International and see if they can help us sell it. Jeremy suggested that any money made off of the selling could be used to repair the New Holland tractor. The engine of that tractor needs to be rebuilt, so they can use it to sweep the road sides. A Mennonite says that he can rebuild the tractor and can guarantee the engine.

Justice Report - No Report

Town Clerk Report - shown at meeting, Talked about the conference attended in April, expanded on the Electronic Death Registrar System that New York State is rolling on in the next few months. New York cannot handle all the paperwork in paper form due to the fact it just takes up some much space, and the climate control environment that the paper needs be stored in. The clerks are the last part of system coming online, doctors and funeral directors are already signed up in the EDRS, the state will be offering training later in May, but it has not been announced yet.

Supervisor report - No report will make June a double report.

Environmental Management Rich Hurley - Stated that he was sorry for missing the last meeting on April 20th, his mother passed away. Rich submitted meeting minutes from the Schuyler County Environmental Management Council. The minutes talked about the impact that incinerator would have on the environment, DEC permits for wineries. He added for Earth Day this year, the Finger Lakes Learning group did do some clean up and three lakes in the area: Cayuga, Seneca, and Keuka. Plastic was collected at all three locations, many outside group such as a Brownies Girl Scout group, boy scouts all help in the clean up. Rich asked the question of what lake do we think had the most plastic in it? Cayuga was the one, and for being in an area the prides itself in be environmentally friendly. One more interesting thing was the phosphorus levels in Seneca and Cayuga Lake where it is one part per million, if the weather goes warm you can see an increase in the blue-green algae. Seneca had a problem with the blue-green algae last year. There is a talk coming up on how this can be solved, there are two ways being talked about: one being the adding of chemicals to sink the phosphorus to the bottom of the lake, not really solving the problem but baring it down there. The other idea would entail the use of pumps that would circulate the water are cause the phosphorus to-

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-be run through filters. But something needs to be done in the long run. The increase wineries are not helping at all. - Where does DEC stand on the incinerator? But the company who is thinking of putting it in has enacted article ten, so they don't have to go through local government. The state is looking into the building and over seeing the process so far. He does like the fact that the governor has taken a position on the use of plastic bags single use, because something really needs to be done to protect our environment.

Fire Department Reports -

Bradford - Sorry did not make it to last meeting, thinking they had 16 calls between Bradford and the Town of Orange. Eight and Eight. For April had one ambulance and one fire in the Town of Orange. In Bradford we had five ambulances and two fire calls. Finished OSHA training and had two just finished EMT training and are getting ready to take the final on the 17th. The Memorial Day parade is the 26th starting at the school and starts at 11 am following after with a chicken BBQ and live music at noon. With the 3rd annual car show right at the fire Co.

Monterey - Nothing much happening and still continuing on with dinners, trying to get the community involved. Getting around anything the town board should need, should have received a packet earlier this week. Just let up know if there is anything we can do for the town.

Tyrone - Three different fire calls, nine EMS calls, five finishing their EMT training with nine who are finishing their refresher course, all of which have taken a CPR class. Memorial weekend we will be doing the hit the boot in Tyrone stop by and show you support, right by the old fire house.

Beaver Dams - Jim Pinkard spook for Beaver Dams, and stated that three people who are former Monterey Fire Co. members have EMT equipment with them at all times to act faster to class in town.

RESOLUTION #63

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Susan Allen to accept the town officials reports.

ADOPTED

AYES 4

NAYS 0

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NEW BUSINESS

Appointing of New Recycling Supervisor - Warren Mclwain has step down do to health reasons, and can no longer lift heavy items. His Son Scott Mclwain said that he would do it since he has been filling in for his dad.

RESOLUTION #64

On the Motion of Susan Allen, seconded by Rick Hendricks on Appointing Scott Mclwain as the new Recycling Supervisor

ADOPTED

AYES 4

NAYS 0

MU1 Clerk Request Form - According the New York has a 255 page document on Records Retention and Disposition Schedule. In order to create room in the towns record room the clerk needs submit a request to the town board 30 days before a resolution can be voted on in order to start the retention and disposition of town documents. A letter was submitted to the board and read the following:

Dear Town board members, this is a formal request asking the Town of Orange Board to pass a resolution within 30 days to allow the Town of Orange Clerk to review the town records according to the MU1 form that New York State has on record retention. This resolution will allow the Town Clerk to make room in the records room by getting rid of records that no; longer need to be keep under the MU1 guide line. Mostly records that have no bearing on current issues, billing, vouchers, etc. will be the main records up for destruction. No records pertaining to historical dates, times, places, people, etc. will not be destroyed because they hold a deeper story that the Town of Orange was shaped by and impacted by. All records retention will be up to the Town Clerk in what will be keep and what will be destroyed. Thank you for your consideration.

Monterey Fire Department Meeting with Board - The town board has looked in too many outlets of resources having to do with fire departments and district set up. Some come to the conclusion that no two fire districts can overlap the same zone. Currently the town is contracted with three different fire departments for the 2019 year. Them being Bradford, Beaver Dams, and Tyrone. Monterey Fire Co. stated that they don't want a contract to be active, but to have the ability to train for the certification they need in order to become firefighters. Cannot take state train if not recognized by the town. The FBL is need in order to train at the state training location, or in lack of other words worker compensation. The town attorney will get a hold of attorney who has a little more experience in dealing with fire departments to try to answer some questions.

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OLD BUSINESS

Town Clean Up Day Reminder - Jeremy had some ideas of getting some kind of dumpsters just in case there is an overflow of trash. Being down one truck from last year, and then filling all four last year it might be a good idea. Jeremy will call around and see who can give the best deal and have it deliver before this Saturday which is clean up day. Furniture, appliances, landfill trash, large items that people can normally throw away. Tires are \$3 a tire. Took them to Steuben County Landfill last year and paid per ton in trash and tires. Could not get a hold of a paper shredder truck for households items.

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR/PUBLIC CONCERNS

Mary Olin - stated that the cemetery access at Mulberry is shut off. Put up a sign and people still drive up there. One funeral everyone was parked by the road and as soon as one car pulled up in there many followed soon after. People who are not handicapped are driving up in the field next to the cemetery. Unless I see a wheelchair or a walker. We have people living there and don't need people driving up in there.

RESOLUTION #65

On the motion of Susan Allen, seconded by Nancy Whipple that the meeting be closed at 7:20 PM

ADOPTED

AYES 4

NAYS 0

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Peer, Town Clerk



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the title, and was wondering if we could sell it to a fire department for them to use. Can give the vin number as well.

Justice Report - NO report

Clerks Report - Presented at meeting

Supervisor Report - No deposit in the highway, made deposit of \$79,973.81. Paid bills of: \$1,174.48 to the Trust and Agency, \$10,057.10 to the General Fund, and \$12,084.25 to the Highway Fund. Leaving a balance of \$441,451.28 in the Highway Fund and \$198,642.50 in the General Fund.

Environmental Management No Report

Fire Department Reports -

Beaver Dams - Had 11 EMS calls, two fire, and one motor vehicle wreck. A total of 14 call for the month of May. Had a new member join the fire company, now giving a total of 53 members. Member have been busy, six are starting the basic class you take when you are first becoming a firefighter. That class will run for 22 weeks. Five completed their EMT recertification, that took 16 weeks and now they are waiting on their test score to come back. Five members completed their pump training at the Tyrone fire department that took seven weeks. We won a award for having the most training hours of all the fire departments in the county. 1300 hours were completed by our membership.

Tyrone - total calls 18 EMS and five fires. Held a Memorial Day service and hit the bucket, and selling tickets for gun raffle. Four new members and got them ready for the basic fire class. Don't know the last time they had four new members sign up.

RESOLUTION #69

On motion of Susan Allen, seconded by Rick Hendricks to accept the town officials reports.

ADOPTED

AYES 4

NAYS 0

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NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION #70

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison to be resolved, By the Town Board of the Town of Orange that Records Retention and Disposition Schedule MU-1, issued pursuant to Article 57-A of the Arts & Cultural Affairs Law, and containing legal minimum retention periods for local government records, is hereby adopted for use by all officers in legally disposing of valueless record listed therein.

Further Resolved, that in accordance with Article 57-A:

A. only those records will be disposed of that are described in Records Retention and Disposition Schedule MU-1 after they have met the minimum retention periods described therein:

B. only those record will be disposed of that do not have sufficient administrative, fiscal, legal, or historical value to merit retention beyond established legal minimum periods

ADOPTED

AYES 4

NAYS 0

Privilege of Floor/Public Concerns

New topsoil for cemetery.

Sexton Hollow Bridge what is happening with it some residents felt that things have not been getting done. Jeremy said that he has talked with soil and water grant money to repair it, now we cannot get under it because of the high water level. May have to put a bond out for the grant.

Huggins road is bad and when will the town be going around fixing the road. Jeremy did not say when they will be, but it should be soon.

Minard LaFever stated at the meeting that he will be stepping down as the town Supervisor. He noted that he wanted to thank Jocelyn for helping in the past few months.

RESOLUTION #71

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison that Joanne Randell fill the Town Supervisor till December 31st.

ADOPTED

AYES 4

NAYS 0

REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF ORANGE, JUNE 4, 2018

RESOLUTION #72

No motion of Susan Allen, and seconded by Jocelyn Harrison to adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm.

ADOPTED

AYES 4

NAYS 0

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF ORANGE, JULY 2nd, 2018

A regular board meeting of the Town of Orange was held on Monday, July 2nd, 2018 at 6:35PM in the Town of Orange Town Hall with the following members present:

PRESENT:

Joanne Randall, Acting Supervisor

Susan Allen, Councilwoman

Jocelyn Harrison, Councilwoman

Rick Hendrick, Councilman

Nancy Whipple, Councilwoman

OTHERS PRESENT: Carol Rhoades, Chair Planning Board, Vicki Flynn, Assessor, Albert Buckland, Code Enforcement Office, Jeremy Abbey, Superintendent of Highways, Mel Horton MFD Chief, Wendy Veley, Kelly Haves, Jim Pinkard, Rich Hurley, Dan Tiemann, Christina Tiemann, Mary Olin, Beverly Frost, Audrey Pane, David Bronfenbrenner, Sam Mattison, Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

RESOLUTION #73

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Nancy Whipple the Highway vouchers on Abstract #007 in the amount of \$25,030.39 were paid.

ADOPTED            AYES        4            NAYS        0

RESOLUTION #74

On motion of Rick Hendrick, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison the General Fund vouchers on Abstract #007 in the amount of \$24,799.78 were paid.

ADOPTED                            AYES    4                            NAYS    0

RESOLUTION #75

On motion of Susan Allen, seconded by Rick Hendrick the Trust and Agency vouchers on Abstract #007 in the amount of \$1,588.07 were paid.

ADOPTED                            AYES    4                            NAYS    0

Assessor Report – Joe is back from being out after he got burned five or six weeks ago. We are now back on track to teach him all that he needs to know.

RESOLUTION #76

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Susan Allen the Assessor's report was accepted as submitted.

ADOPTED                            AYES    4                            NAYS    0

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Building Code Officer – Building Permits 4, CFO 1, Inspections 14, Complaints 2, 30 hours, 287 miles. I am going to be out of town from July 5th to the 13th. I will be at a horseshoe contest in North Carolina.

RESOLUTION #77

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison the Building Code Officers report was accepted as submitted.

ADOPTED                    AYES     4            NAYS     0

Justice Report – A check for \$864 will be deposited in the town account and the town will keep \$279. While the rest is going to the state.

RESOLUTION #78

On motion of Susan Allen, seconded by Rick Hendrick the Justice report was accepted as submitted.

ADOPTED                    AYES     4            NAYS     0

Town Clerk Report -- Meeting with BIEL's, the company who will be taking our town documents and turning them into digital copies. The quote of 210,000 images is how the room looks now, but by sorting out the documents that are not longer needed, I think I will have about 100,000 images at the end. Most of the files are old bills or documents that don't have any historical, current or relevant information. BIEL's has gotten me contacted with a grant writer who can help fill out what we need to get the grant.

RESOLUTION #79

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Rick Hendrick the Town Clerk's report was accepted as submitted.

ADOPTED                    AYES     4            NAYS     0

Highway Supervisor Report – Spoke with Jessica Skinner, the head Engineer for the Sexton Hollow Bridge. She is out of town this week, but we will be talking when she gets back in to see what we can do the bridge. We cannot do anything without her because legally she must put it in paper before we can start the work. As for the cost right now, that is still unclear. Going through Soil and Water to see what they can do to help gain some funding through grants. Grading is all most done, and we are building a stockpile of the Hornby Hill project. I would like to talk about Doug Veley has been there on call for a long time. It was talk about a while back ago that he could become the Duty Highway Supervisor. Is there some way we can conduct a public hearing? If so, the sooner the better.

RESOLUTION #80

On motion of Rick Hendrick, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison that the Highway Supervisor report was accepted as submitted.

ADOPTED                    AYES     4            NAYS     0

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Supervisor Report – Highway account as of May 31st, 2018 is \$441,127.88, with interest of \$8.77, and spent \$94,129.96. Just remember that we are always a month behind. The General Fund has a balance of \$197,424.22, with a intake of funds of \$49,804.95, this all being mortgage tax, recycling money, and a few other things. The bills were \$25,707.94. The Trust and Agencies has a balance of \$11,619.01, and that is where payroll, union dues, insurances, and disability pay come out of.

RESOLUTION #81

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Rick Hendrick that the Supervisor report was accepted as submitted.

ADOPTED                    AYES     4            NAYS    0

Rich Hurley – Main topic of discussion is the Garbage Incinerator Project that is being talked about being placed in Romulus. The county passed a resolution to oppose the garbage incinerator proposal, this was sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo. I have minutes from the meetings as well as the proposed resolution the county voted on. There have been some talks on how the wineries are affecting the Seneca Lake, and the real impact they are having. The waste treatment place is currently running in the red and may have to borrow money to complete the project. But I did hear that the Bald Eagle nest is being bothered by the ongoing construction, and there were plans set in place not to disturb the Bald Eagle during nesting season. Weather has played a big factor in this building project; the rain has caused it to be muddy and has limited the work during the nesting season.

RESOLUTION #82

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Susan Allen that the Rich Hurley report was accepted as submitted.

ADOPTED                    AYES     4            NAYS    0

Fire Departments Reports – Only one attended was Monterey Fire Company

Monterey Report – Getting everything around that we need to, equipment, servicing trucks, etc. Getting around and waiting to find out when we can start training. A financial report was given at the meeting in paper form. We are also hosting a Clambake on July 21st from Noon to 5 pm. Tickets are being sold by fire department members. They are \$45 for a clam ticket and \$30 for a non-clam ticket. They are both all you can eat and drink from Noon to 5 pm.

The question was asked in the electrical outlet was fixed? Mel stated it was a breaker problem and that has been fixed and the coffee maker cause the problem has also been removed. The break box is in the truck bay and that can help clear up some confusion of where it is.

New Business

Town Clerk/ New Computer – In order to become compliant with the New York State on computer software and program, the Town Clerk needs a new or used computer that can support them. Currently the Town Clerks computer is running off Windows XP which has stopped receiving updates

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back in 2014. Replacing the old with computer with a newer or new one will allow the Clerk to read documents from the state. This new program EDRS (Electronic Death Registrar System) can only be read in a computer program that has a up-to-date cyber security system. The Clerk is asking the Town Board to allow the Clerk to order a computer from Southern Tier Computer Repair in Corning, and this is where the town has done its computer and network needs here. Adam from Southern Tier Computer Repair sold the current Clerk's computer back in 2008. A used computer will cost \$275 with Window 07 on it, and a new computer will cost \$599 with Windows 10. As of June 28th, the Clerk has become non-compliant with the state. The Clerk has talked with Williamson who provides the software that the Clerk uses to conduct Clerk business. They will be transferring the Town Clerk and Tax Collector program over to the new computer for free as technical support. This will be saving the town \$1000.

## RESOLUTION #83

On motion of Susan Allen, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison that the Clerk may buy a new computer from Southern Tier Computer Repair for \$599.00

ADOPTED                      AYES      4              NAYS      0

Public Hearing/ Monterey Fire Department Contract – Rick Hendrick, Jocelyn Harrison, Joanne Randall, Nancy Whipple, and Mel Horton where all at the senior lunch-in at the Monterey Fire Department and had a meeting because they were all there. Joanne asked the question to Mel if Monterey has anyone in training as of right now. The Town needs to know if Monterey will be able to provide the services that are needed to run a fire department. In August the town will be talking about the 2019 budget and the town needs to know if Monterey will be able to submit a budget to the town. Joanne typed up minutes for this meeting and they were read by the board members and reviewed with no objections to them. Mel will be talking with his Attorney who will draw up a contract will read the town recognizing them, while also giving them an ability to be call out for mutual aid till the end of the year. Need to post an ad in the newspaper for at least 10 days. The public hearing will be held at the Monterey Fire hall on July 23rd at 6pm.

Carol Rhoades/Park Grant & Update - When Joanne become the Town Supervisor, she looked into the council of government. By going back and looking into the minutes, back in January they voted to allow SCOPE to write 17 hours of free grant writing services for each town and village. The idea was also presented at the meeting of trying to build a sting of parks throughout the county, and the New York Parks program liked the idea as well. By having all town and villages submit a park idea together that could get the county \$500,000 or more money to build these parks. It is time to put the empty lot that the town purchased a while back ago to use. Joanne meet with SCOPE at the park location to go over the first outlining of the space. Also, with everything else going on Joanne has asked Carol Rhoades to help lead this program to completion. Tonight, we will be signing the completion of this phase and waiting to hear back on whether we do or don't get the grant. We are looking at getting \$40,000 for the park in grant money, and anything that we do the qualifies toward our contribution we could be getting the park for as little as \$5,000 of the town money. The state matches \$65 per hour for anything that is engineering, building, installing, etc. towards the town portion that we must match the state with. We are looking into seeing how we can make the park as handicap accessible, so anyone can use the park. The town has investigated the difference in insurance that would have to be paid out because it is a

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park, and it's only will increase a little. The town is also looking for anyone who can submit a letter to us, so we can show how our community would truly be impacted by building this park. What kinds of activities would you perform at the park, like taking you children or grandchildren, have family picnics, or enjoy a nice day, there are so many different things that one could do at this park. Deadline for the letter to be turned in is July 20th, so they can be put into the grant form show the vested interest in having a park in our town. The next page is "My Day Playing at a Park", we are asking children to draw picture of what they would do playing in a park. We would like to use them to enter them in to show that we do have children who would be using the park. We are offering a ten-dollars gift card to help get this going for children. We will then take all name, drawing a winner from there at the August meeting. Last page is the minutes for a meeting last Tuesday to form the committee. This project is big and there is a lot of thought going into this. There is a whole list of consideration like security, solar lighting, curfew, material used, maintenance, etc. SCOPE will be taking this and scanning it all to send to the state. Later down the road we will be asking people to help create the park by volunteering to put up the swings, slide, pavilion, landscaping, etc. All of which will help count toward the town portion of footing the bill for the park, while the state pays its part. We still are a long way from this while we are still waiting to hear back. The question of accepting donations, and that has not been talked about yet, but will be talked about at the next meeting. We currently do not have a park, that places our town at a better point of getting this grant. We could be at the top of the list. Basketball hoop still over at the town barn, Jerry will investigate this next time he is over there and ask around. The entrance to the park will be off the parking lot due to it being closer to handicap parking spots. A walk way will be put in place to aid in handicap accessibility.

## RESOLUTION #84

On motion of Rick Hendrick, seconded by Nancy Whipple that Joanne Randall the Acting Town Supervisor to sign contact with SCOPE to write the grant for the town park, and anytime over the 17 hours the grant takes to write, the fee of \$65 an hour will be awarded to SCOPE.

ADOPTED                    AYES     4            NAYS     0

Notice of Bid/Foundation Town Hall – This has been a conversation going on for a long time. After getting the fax and phone lines working in the Justice Office, that have been out since January. The wire was taken out of the wall and replaced. A rodent had climbed up into the wall and had eaten the wires, insulation. We have had two or three people look at this and all have walked away from it not wanting the job, but we found a self-employed contractor who is willing to talk on the job, and he lives in the town. He gave a quote, with a two-year guarantee, stating that this job is very labor intensive and will be done by hand, and he also looked at the ramp out front that was damaged during the winter. The cost is very and causing us to go out to bid this job, this is only being done as a formality, because we know that one else could put a bid and willing to take the job on since we have had it looked at so many times before, but this must be done. This will take four weeks to complete the project.

## RESOLUTION #85

On motion of Susan Allen, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison that the Clerk will accept bids for the Town Hall foundation repairs until July 23rd when a public hearing will be held, and all bids will be read aloud.

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ADOPTED                    AYES     4            NAYS     0

The newspaper aid will read:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to resolution #85 of the Town Board of the Town of Orange in Schuyler County, NY, sealed bids for rebuilding and sealing of the Town Hall stone foundation with concrete will be received at the office of the Town Clerk at the Town Hall 899 Hornby Road Beaver Dams, NY 14812 by or on July 23 at 6:00 O'clock PM, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Monterey Fire Department.

Bids will be submitted in sealed envelopes at the Town Hall and shall bear on the face thereof the name and address of the bidder.

Details repairs need to outline to ensure it includes weatherization, animal control and includes the complete deteriorating exterior stone wall of the town hall.

The Town Board may accept or reject any or all bids and re-advertise for new bids at their discretion.

Any questions please call the Town Hall during the Clerks hours Tuesday and Thursday 7 – 9 PM and Sunday 10 AM – 2 PM or leave a message on the answering machine.

OLD BUSINESS

Maltby Cemetery - A woman came into the town hall and was very upset that her husband headstone was moved from its resting spot. The headstone was moved and rest on the ground with no proper placement on a new pour foundation. It was leaning backwards, and stone where being used to prop up the headstone. Joanne stated to the woman that she would go and look at the headstone and see what can be done to correct this mishap. This all started by someone being buried in the wrong spot which they were moved to their true resting place. By moving them, the headstone of the very upset woman was moved in order to move the misplaced casket. All happened without the very upset woman knowledge. Now we are waiting for this whole thing to settle so a new foundation can be pour when the time is appropriate to fix it. Joanne talked to the very upset woman and said that this could not be fixed until the week after the 4th of July in 2019. Joanne is checking on the headstone on a regular basis to make sure that nothing happens to the stone. The large stone sitting on the edge of the cemetery is the old footer for the old headstone that was removed. Wendy Veley, Cemetery contract hold provided pictures and a list of everything that needs to be with all cemeteries in the town. Jeremy did state that he would take care of the large stone sitting on the edge, but some felt that it is not his job to remove that stone footer, it should be the job of whom ever removed it.

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR/PUBLIC CONCERNS

A moment of silence was taken for Officer Clark and principal of Bradford Central School for the incident what took place prior to this meeting. May our thoughts and prayers go out to both families and people involved in the events that unfolded.

Jim Pinkard – How much is it to take and digitize the town documents? Thomas – the quote of 210,000 images has been tossed around. At 15 cents a page it would be about \$31,000 dollars to complete the project as is, but after taking a quick look at the room and see what needs to be kept. The cost will be

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much lower than the quote. Most of what is there has only small parts of books being used, and some have around 15 to 20 pages per book.

Jim Pinkard – How big are the doorways in the building, 39"? Joanne – No they are 36" wide. AIM came down and stated what was needed to be done in order to meet codes. Like putting in thresholds for the wheelchair to get over.

Sexton Hollow Bridge – The resident who lives near the bridge would like to know when the bridge will be closed, and how much head time will there be to plan around it being not open. Jeremy stated that if anyone sees logging trucks go over the bridge that they should call him. Trucks that size should not be going over the bridge at this time.

RESOLUTION #86

On motion of Susan Allen, seconded by Rick Hendrick that the meeting was closed at 7:46 pm

ADOPTED

AYES 4

NAYS 0

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

Public Hearing Town of Orange on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 at 6:09 pm Topic: Bid opening for Rebuilding and Sealing of the town Hall stone foundation, town of Orange Deputy of Highways Superintendent Residence, Town of orange Contract with Monterey Fire Company

Board attendance:

Joanne Randall – Acting Town Supervisor

Jocelyn Harrison – Councilwoman

Susan Allen – Councilwoman

Rick Hendrick – Councilman

Nancy Whipple – Councilwoman

Attendance: Laurie Beem, Audrey Pane, Jane Leisenring, Mary Olin, Jon Olin, Darin Miller, Steve Aldrich, Bill Kennedy, Jon Kennedy, Matt Malone, Brain Bartlett, Kirk Smith, Kent Thurston, Rachel Thurston, Ed Lewis, Tabitha Matuszek, Patrick Matuszek, Doug Veley, Sam Mattison, Jennifer Schoffner, Mel Horton, Shanea Renker, Jon Lisefski, Elaine Gublo, Dean Tieuman, Christina Tieuman, Brain Gardener, James Wallenbeck, Jordan Frost, Stewart Powers, Chelsey davis, James Brean, Russell Bream, Andy Bennett, Jeremy Abby, Grey Schoffner, Harold Galusha.

Foundation Bid – Only one bid was submitted to the Town Clerk.

Paviline and Son Bid was read as follow:

The Bid was submitted on July 12th, 2018.

Taking off the lower siding, starter strip, j-channel, and decking.

Digging below the ground to expose the foundation to filling any and all voids near the grade are visible.

Remove as much lose material away from the gaps and holes in the foundation and fill the holes with new stones.

Stage One. Apply adhesives to the existing foundation, so patch work will adhere to the holes, then stucco will be applied.

Stage Two. Level of the foundation appearance as possible with cement.

Stage Three. Apple three layers of cement with a brushed finished.

After foundation is complete will reinstall the j-channels, starter strip, and siding. Following the siding the decking will be removed and replaced with treated lumber. I will reuse the frame; the decking and railing will be treated lumber that I will stain with a coating protecting it for years to come. No trash will be left on the site, new grass seed applied when needed, and the site will look the same when completed. The total cost on labor and material is \$33,760.00. A pond starts up half the payment is due at the amount of \$16,880.00 and a receipt will be written up for the other payment due at completion.

All work will be done by Paviline and Son. Who is licensed and insured, while at the same time if anything where to happening in the next two years will be taken care of at no additional cost. Total time of project is four weeks from the start. Bid submitted by Ivan Paviline owner of Paviline and Son.

Nancy – Where is the money coming from and can we afford it?

Joanne - Money for this project will be coming out the capital reserve fund account, and yes, we can afford this project.

Rick – there are no other bids?

Joanne – As you can see this job is very labor intensive as you can see by this bid laying out the steps. Others though the job was to labor intensive.

#### RESOLUTION #87

On motion of Joycelyn Harrison, seconded by Susan Allen that the bid by Paviline and Son be awarded the job of the Town Hall Foundation repair.

ADOPTED                      AYES     4                      NAYS     0

Deputy Highway Superintendent Local Law for Residency Requirements –

The current law state that the Deputy Highway Superintendent must be a town employee and live in the town limits. The is currently only one employee who fits these criteria, but they have been talking about retiring soon and would like not to do it.

Powers and Duties of the Deputy of Highways Superintendent are:

To service at the pleasure of Highway Supervisor

Plans coordinators

Oversee construction of highways and maintenance

Assist with annual budget process

Relay written or oral direction from the Highway Superintendent to crews

Supervise work done by subordinate

Planning, assigning, and work recommendations

Monitors contractions to help maintain expenditure

Recommendation to Infrastructure and Buildings up keeps

Prepares reports, daily work logs, and tracks program cost for Highway superintendent

Prepares other related records as required

Aids in the coordination of other projects with other departments and agencies

Responds to constituents needs on Infrastructure, drainage, snow removal, etc.

Provide leadership and maintain an effective public relationship

Provide technical assistance to the town board, committees, departments, and other staff

Keeps aware of any safety requirements, safety hazards, and safety procedures relating them to the crew

Assist in the management of records and equipment

Assumes all duties in the absence of the Highway Supervisor

Substitutes for the Highway Superintendent signs requisition forms, deals with public demands, check roads inclement weather, completes daily time sheets, check work sites

Joanne -The role of the deputy Highway Supervisor is the same as the Highway Supervisor in that anyone can service in this role, but it would work better if they were already working for the highway department. A normal resident would not know the rules and regulations that union employees have, and having the deputy already being a highway employee they would know the rules that are in their union contract. Also, we cannot pick and choose what town or counties are included if we increase the residency requirements. It would have to read that the deputy can be from any adjoining town or county that borders the Town of Orange. Counties include Steuben, Chemung, Yates, and Tompkins. That is how our local law will read.

Public comments –

Hasn't it been best practice to have the Highway Supervisor pick the deputy? Yes, it has, but we are looking to expand this to outside the town limits.

If the local law is pass would the new deputy have to be an employee of the town? Yes, they would have to be, only because a normal resident would not know highway department is working on, union rules, and much more that could be listed.

If the local law is passed to extend the limits, the new deputy would have to be a town employee? Yes, they would have to be.

If we pass this new local law does that extend to the Supervisor position? No, but if that is something we would have to come to if we decided to move in that direction. That would have to be a new and different local law.

This local law needs to be sent to the state department of New York to see if it will even be approved. Until they approve it, we will still not know what is going on. Depends on the working and what else the state is look for in a local law like this.

What if the local law is not passed? Then there would be no deputy to fulfill the need in the case that Jeremy is not in or help with the work that the deputy would normally do. Could it be a member of the board? No.

What about one of the guys who are currently working for the town can we just bump one of them into the position? That is what we are planning on right now, but right now the only one who is a town resident is Randy McDonald. All other one live outside of the town limits. Randy does not want the position? Randy keeps saying he is going to retire soon. And he does not what it for what Joanne understands.

How does Jeremy feel about this? Jeremy stated that he is the one who is pushing the town board to get this to be a local law. And currently Doug Veley is acting as my deputy and has been for some time now. I can make a phone call and Doug is on his way to check things out or is willing to go and complete a task for me. He knows the road and knows what he must do to keep the maintained.

RESOLUTION #87

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison that the local law #1 be submitted to New York State Department for review to adapt as a new local law.

ADOPTED

AYES 4

NAYS 0

Town of Orange Contract with Monterey Fire Company –

Joanne Randall approached Mel Horton shortly after being appointed to the Town Supervisor position. Joanne taking the personal responsibility of Town Supervisor, stated whether she was elected or appointed. With her 20 years as the Town Clerk stated that she knows the community is behind her for their best interest. Whether you are in a Board Member, Town Clerk, Supervisor or Highway Supervisor, people elect you to look out for them and their best interest at the best of one's ability. And that the community is paying our wages, so we must act for them in situations like this. Stating that she felt that 35 minutes for a response time from the next closest Fire Department was not in the best interest on the community. Joanne asked Mel is anyone in training right now. Mel stated no, because he did not know if he has workers comp for the Fire Company. Mel said he called to check, and they said that they do have workers comp, but Mel was still unsure. Joanne then called Sprague Insurance, and Kayla Wegener said that Monterey Fire Company does have insurance. They have been covered since January 1st.

Joanne added that the town starts working on the budget for next year in August, and we need to know who we are going to be contracting with for fire protection in the 2019 year. We want to make sure that Mel has people trained so the town can sign a contract with the Town of Orange. We currently pay \$1.09 per \$1,000 on one's assessment toward fire tax in the Town of Orange. We had a fire tax of \$115,000 last year, and we spend it outside of our community. If we are going to raise \$115,000 again, Joanne stated that most of it should stay inside our community where the fire department is closer, and we don't have to worry about longer distances of time.

Joanne stated that she knows the criteria that is need to make sure one is up to date on their fire training. Joanne stated that she feels this could happen only with the support of our community. The Town Board and town people.

After talking with Mel that day with most of the board there after the Senior Lunch at the fire hall. Joanne received a contract from the Monterey Fire Department Attorney, and it states that Monterey Fire Department should go to trainings, do their best to be ready for emergencies services, respond to all calls in the town, under the condition that the primary fire protection providers. Beaver Dams, Bradford, and Tyrone answer all calls, and after the 1st of January 2019 Monterey will be taking calls. The fire department can still do parades, fundraisers, attend funerals, memorial services, and carnivals as well. Fire protection includes structure fires, wildfires, fire alarms, carbon monoxide alarms, hazardous materials and spills, motor vehicle accidents, good intent calls, search and rescue calls, traffic control at accidents, down wire calls, other odor calls, and other emergency assistance to homeowners; such as, basement pump outs. Monterey as agrees to keep up with the equipment and operations of them and have enough personnel to carry out its obligations hereunder. This is only good until December 31st, 2018. It is getting the town on board with getting the Monterey Fire Department back up and running.

There is not signing off the fire department, not changing the contracts with the existing one until the end of December.

Sue Allen stated, that the meeting Joanne held with every stated above was an illegal meeting. With three Town Board Members and the Supervisor, it was an illegal meeting. It should have never taken place.

Joanne asked why to Sue Allen.

Sue Allen talked with the Town Attorney and he stated that the meeting was illegal. When you have three Board Member and the Town Supervisor there is a quorum. It is an illegal meeting. Sue stated that Joanne should have knew been not to have had the meeting in the first place. If it was anyone else you would have made a fuss over it.

Joanne typed up the minutes and give them to the town clerk. Joanne stated that she has a letter from the town attorney.

Sue stated that she has spoken with the town's attorney, and he has not heard from Joanne scene becoming the town Supervisor.

Joanne asked why I should, we are so over budget with the town attorney funds. We are \$600 or more over the whole year budget.

Rick Hendrick asked how many illegal meetings we have had with Beaver Dams, three.

The public asked why weren't brought in until tonight of this public hearing.

Sue stated that we were talking to a fire lawyer, the Town Board should have never been brought into this mess.

Why was it not talked about before tonight on the problems going on in the fire department? The public wanted to know.

Some want the fire department here in town because we are so far out from any other fire department.

Joanne stated that we cannot meet in secret, and that all meetings are open. This meeting was a last minute meeting since we all were there. We meet right here after the Senior Lunch-in on Tuesdays. Everyone saw us, we did not meet in secret.

Sue said the meeting was not advertising in a formal setting.

Some felt that the last five years the meeting has not been properly displayed, nor are the minutes easy to obtain. To the people and the Town Board, because one person was at the town hall and the meeting was the next day, and nothing was displayed.

Sue stated the town advertises in the Shopper and the Hi-Lites.

Some residents said they don't get either newspapers.

Joanne told the town people that we will investigate the town's publications and see how we can make information sharing better.

Joanne reads a letter dated July 12th, 2018 for the town's attorney. The letter states that the town board does not wish to engage in discussion with the Monterey Fire Department, under the order of the Town Supervisor Minard LaFever, and the attorney will not talk to Monterey Fire Department attorney until told otherwise. Joanne states that she like Minard and has a good relationship with him, but it's not up to him to hold back and not help create a new Monterey Fire contract with the Town of Orange. It is not in the best interest of the town, for the community, or the people who elect one to office. The letter from Monterey Fire Department attorney ask for a meeting with the Town Board just to discuss this contract that I read before. There is nothing secret about this contract, Joanne stated she will print 100 copies and pass it out. The contract sums up to recognizing Monterey as a fire department until January 2019, so they can get around and get people trained, and go from there. Anyone who wants to read it can.

Brian Gardner spoke, who works at the fire corridor's office in Montour Falls. Brian stated that his own purpose here tonight at the Monterey fire Hall was to make sure that the people of the town of Orange have adequate fire protection. From now until the end of 2018. It was Brian's recommendation that the town board does not sign the contract without having it looked over by attorney. There may be a provision that does not allow you to contract with two fire departments within the same district. It was also Brian's recommendation that we check with the New York State Comptroller's office.

Joanne stated that the Monterey fire Department would not be receiving calls until the end of December 2018. Until January 2019 Monterey has until then be ready to respond to any and all calls.

Brian Gardner also stated this is the third or the fourth meeting that he has been to about this issue. All the way back in November when there was obvious problem, our office was contacted. There was a plan in place by members of our community that were trying to reinstate the fire department. Those members were planning on joining three other fire departments to gain training knowledge. They would come back later where they would then reopen the Monterey fire department. There would have been any issues with attaining the training they need. The Monterey fire department was still going to stay open but work as an extended arm of one of the three other fire departments. It just seems that that plan has not unfolded like it was discussed last November. That plan seemed like the most logical plan. In it

was going to be one of the biggest solutions to this problem. And the town board made a motion that they didn't even want to entertain the idea of what is going on right now.

Rick stated that it could have been a better idea if it was brought up sooner versus later. By the time the discussions brought up about closing the Monterey fire Hall seemed to be too late. If this had been brought out to the public before everything had been set up black and white to transition into the three other fire departments. We would not be going through this stuff right now. It could have been settled between the two parties alone.

Brian Gardner agreed with Rick's statement. But that does not answer Brains question. Our coordinator's office was approached by the previous chief. That chief stated that they had a problem with membership. And through Brain's office they coordinated a plan to help provide fire protection to the town of Orange. And that's what it came down to last November. We had this meeting to make that agreement that was a handshake agreement at the time before was formalized in November. With the other departments Beaver Dam's, Bradford, and Tyrone.

The question was asked who represented the town of Orange in the handshake agreement. Not much of the townspeople knew what was going on. Some stated that not much is even sad about the on goings within the Monterey fire Department. Some asked why everything was Quiet. Why were there no announcements, or notices made to the public? People stated that the town is very invested into this fire department in a lot of people do not want to see it fail. Generations of families have invested their time into creating the Monterey fire department. Why were so many people left in the dark some asked? There are a lot of mixed feelings going on throughout the town today about what is going on. It seems to be a lot of misunderstanding.

Brian clarified the point that the building that is the Monterey fire Department. Was only going to be used as a secondary point for any other fire department providing fire protection within the town of Orange. Beaver dams fire department was going to be the main overseer of the Monterey fire Hall and make sure that the maintenance on the vehicles, the building, the grounds, and anything else were taking care of. They had talked about setting money aside so that they would have to take care of whatever needs the Monterey fire hall would have if under the beaver dams fire department overseeing. There was no talk about selling any of the Monterey fire departments equipment, trucks, etc. The only expectation was that the people in the town of Orange community could have the choice to join Bradford's, Beaver Dams, and Tyrone's fire department. Whichever department was closer to where they lived. This station would be part of the beaver dams district. And that they could come to the station get the equipment and respond to any call that they needed. Brian did disagree with Joanne's 35-minute response time comment. Brian stated with the fact that he was 10 minutes away from a response call that was over on suture Sutryk Lane the other day. In Beaver Dams and Tyrone pulled in approximately five minutes after Brian did.

Joanne asked how long it took for them to respond to the call on County Route 22 shed fire across the road from her house the day at 2:20 in the morning. Joanne say that she saw the first fire trucks pulling a 2:45. And then the next two fire trucks came in 2:55. By that time the fire was almost all on its own.

Brian stated that he would like to go back to talk about November when the townspeople laid out the plan. And from those members in our community's join the other departments. The station was open, how long do you think it would take for them to respond.

Joanne stated that this will plan was shoved down the towns throw by Beaver Dam's fire department. Because they wanted people to join their fire department.

Brian said that the town board had already signed the agreement.

Joanne stated that she knew the. Joanne knew that she was still Town Clerk at the time, and in the town, board agreed to it because they were only worried about being sued or prosecuted for not providing fire production to the town of Orange. There would've been no fire service whatsoever, so that was it. Joanne stated that should not force someone to join another fire department they do not wish to. To be certified if they are already holding firefighter certifications. Their certificates do not have any expiration dates, so they do not need to have the renewed. None of the certificate say within two years you must have the renewed. Joanne stated that one should probably go and refresh on the information, but nowhere does it say that certifications are up at such and such date.

There was a consensus in the room that the contract should be looked over by an attorney.

Joanne stated that the contract was written by a lawyer why should we have our town attorney you look at it.

The question was asked, was the lawyer who wrote the contract working for the town, or are they working for the Monterey fire Department.

Joanne stated that the town is so far over budget and the lawyer fees that are allocated for the whole fiscal year of 2018. She stated that we do not know where we are going to find the money to cover the expenses so far. We cannot afford to add more expenses to our attorney budget.

The question was asked, what if something was wrong with the contract it was illegal. What if there is something in the contract that should not be done or cannot be done legally. Now you just sign the contract and put the town in a worse off situation. What kind of money with that cost the town then.

Joanne stated that the lawyer who wrote the contract only represents fire departments the New York State and municipality.

Nancy Whipple stated that it does raise a good point to have two fire departments within the same area, covering the same area. She felt that that point really needs to be straightened out.

The question was asked what is the difference between what we have now? Nancy stated that they all have different sections of the town that the fire departments oversee. It does stay in the contract that Monterey can respond to fire calls.

Joanne said it only says that under mutual aid if asked by the three existing primary fire departments.

Nancy stated that she still felt that the question of the two fire departments in the same area, covering the same area is legal or not.

The question was raised, have the people who are trying to start Monterey fire department contacted the three existing primary fire departments.

Joanne stated that she has a list of people who are certified in the Monterey fire Department to conform at fire calls. She added that after the contract to recognize the Monterey fire Department ends December 31, 2018. The hopeful plan is to revert to the 2017 fire district map for the town orange with the preset boundaries for Bradford, Beaver Dams, and Monterey fire Department.

The question was asked about the Tyrone fire department. Joanne stated that Tyrone is only brought in to help cover the area in the northern part of the town orange. While Bradford and Beaver Dams covered a larger area.

The chief from the Beaver Dams fire department, Curt Smith. Wanted to go on record about the complete deception of the untruthful comments regarding to the Beaver Dams fire department trying to push anything down the Town of Oranges throat. You seem to forget the fact Mrs. Chairman that Beaver Dams fire department was asked to come and help you. We do not come looking for this we do not want this, you for our help. We, the Beaver Dams fire department with the complete control of the fire coordinator office here every meeting devised a plan to help the Town of Orange. So, sit there and say that we cram something down your throat, for a meeting that you never once attended or was invited to. You're speculating. You were not at one meeting where we met with all the fire departments. People do not need to know about the meetings because they were private fire department business. The town does not control and there is no control over the fire meetings. And you saying that the town should've been notified, but there is no official way of notifying you is you made that abundantly clear. You stated time and time again that the town has no control over the fire department. I'm not getting into a whole bunch of different topics. I do not care if you give the contract back to the Monterey fire Department. The point Curt was trying to make was that the town of orange came looking for help. We didn't come looking for help, we do not want your money. Quit saying that the Beaver Dams fire department did anything wrong. Curt stated that he means no disrespect by this comment these are only true statements.

Joanne stated that the Beaver Dams fire department had no problem taking the town of oranges fired.

Curt stated that of course he did because that Beaver Dam fire department had been doing fire protection for two years unpaid. Why wouldn't Beaver Dams fire Department contract with you. Why would I contract with you came to me. Why wouldn't Beaver Dams take \$25,000. The Town of Orange came looking for help. I did not come to the Town of Orange say I could do fire protection for cheaper.

Joanne stated that she needed more clarification. How could this whole thing come about without the town people knowing about Monterey fire Department situation.

Bill Kennedy from the Schuyler County Emergency Management Office. This come about from two years ago. When they were having trouble over at the Monterey fire Hall with fulfilling the duties. A year and a half ago a house nearby burned down to the ground without a single truck leaving the Monterey fire station. After that we kept formulating how can we help. We are over here training with them, trying to build a membership, and it didn't work. And then it came to a point where they are no longer able to function as a fire department. Monterey fire department could not meet the contractual agreement with the Town of Orange. With some more thought into it we formulated the plan to see who was around the area that could provide fire protection for the Town of Orange. The three primary fire

departments that are contracted with the Town of Orange now had already been responding to the calls that Monterey could not fulfill for the last year and a half. Those three fire departments were the ones doing the work for Monterey. This is not just happening here in the Town of Orange, this is happening all over New York State. There is a department in Yates County that is currently having the same problem. There's one in Chemung County that just closed. There is one in Steuben County about ready to close. This is nothing unique here, this is across the state. These departments are having issues, and we are looking at a state level how to resolve this issue. In this all came about because he wanted to formulate a plan to provide fire protection to the Town of Orange. None of these three departments wanted this but as far as money is not fair for these fire departments to continue providing fire protection for the Town of Orange without requiring enough funds. This is only placing more of a burden on the taxpayers of the Town of Dix, the Town of Tyrone, and the town of Bradford. Mutual aid is reciprocal, it must go both ways for it to work. Mutual aid reciprocation was not happening in the Town Orange, so the people they were in charge at the time realize that and looked at a way out. In the way I was to bring in these three other fire departments, dissolve the Monterey fire Department into the other departments, while still having the fire equipment at the Monterey fire Hall, and the only thing that was really going to change. Was that you are going to have more resources coming in, maybe the name on the side the truck, and who wore the white hat. The Town of Orange would still have a responding fire protection service. We are currently using that plan as a model for what can and will be happening around the state as this problem continues to grow further. I'm telling you within the next five years the way that we coordinate fire protection areas it will All be different. Even bigger departments than this are having trouble. The current plan that is being projected is not sustainable in this community. The amount of training, the amount of equipment, the number of personnel, is not sustainable for small community like the Town of Orange. Without going to a regional approach, countywide fire department not saying that. But that is one of the things being looked at, but without looking into the future. The only reason why we got here where we are today is because the plan did not happen the way it was supposed to year in ago. It will do the solution, and at the time that was the best one. Everyone here says they want fire department, I don't know how they want to sign up for the 130-hour training to go and become a basic firefighter. Certificates may be good on paper, but you must have annual recertification in anything you are doing, if it requires throwing ladders, pulling hose, you have to have that. It may not be law, but the PESH standards require you to have annual recertification on any proficiency you are going to do.

Joanne stated in the meanwhile shouldn't somebody has notified the townspeople who live in the Town of Orange that pay this tax bill. Shouldn't they have let them know that the fire department was in trouble.

Bill Kennedy stated that he does not know how our town board meetings are set. But normally the local fire departments attend their local board meetings and stay their business and the calls that they responded to. Somebody should have been let you know. Is not the county's responsibility to let you know. The fire department is in your community and you should be talking to them.

Joanne stated well that was a problem there was no communication between the Monterey fire Department and the Town of Orange on the on goings in the fire department. And the next thing we knew Monterey fire Department was gone. I think that is what the sore spot was.

Someone stated there was a lot of reason going on internally within the Monterey fire Department that was causing people to leave. And no one in the town was aware of the drastic situation. Now you have a chance with a new group of people, people who are not associated with some of the problems that existed with the previous administration of the Monterey fire Department for the past three or four years which was a leading to the current demise. The point is because they are here and willing to step up because it is a new group. Can't we at least give them a chance. This is only a six-month interval where there to show their true colors before any contracts are granted January 2019.

Someone else stated a lot of this comes from mismanagement within the Monterey fire Department from their understanding, people can get along with each other. Nobody quit a lot of people have training.

Someone stated that the letter that Joanne written from the town's attorney said that Minard LaFever seem like he was now passing on information to the town and because he did not want Monterey fire Department.

Jocelyn stated that what happened in the past was in the past. We must move on, and to her, the papers the board signed in November was a very good contract. The idea was to have those departments come in and our department, Monterey would sort to melt into them. Work with them, train with them, and do everything else they would need. If we can start with that we can then come back and re-open the Monterey fire Department.

Mel Horton spoke on the behalf of the Monterey fire Department is the new act chief. He asked for the opportunity to have the community to give faith and his ability to turn the fire department around. Stating that he has better than 25 members who are willing to come back and actively participate in the duties needed. There are also willing to come back until we can support a stable environment. Having the ability to prove themselves, to be recognize and can be trained. While working together with all other fire departments.

The question was asked what was wrong with the plan that was laid out before.

Mel stated he read the contract that was signed in November, stated that some of the trucks and the Monterey fire Department truck days would have been sold. Or within the contract and send some of them would go away, not all them but some of them. No stated that you know the minute that one of those engines is gone. We would never be able to get the equipment back.

Mel stated that sometime back in January, that there were servitors on the Monterey fire departments property survey. That raised much questions for him about the validity of things not being sold.

Sue Allen stated that she was there when the contract was signed to have the surveyor's survey the Monterey fire departments property. Sue was the one who personally got a hold of the surveyor. In that it was the board of the previous administration of the Monterey fire Department. They were trying to make sure that the pins were in the proper location because they were not properly marked or not be identified.

The question was asked why the land was even being surveyed.

Sue stated that the vegetation had taken over much of the corners of the lot. The pins cannot properly be found or identified. It was not to sell anything that was for sure.

Kelly Groves stated that the letter was sent to the attorney general of New York. Saying that the current administration of the Monterey fire department was going to have the property surveyed and sold. Also adding that Sue has a conflict of interest of being a member of the Town Board and being a member of the Beaver Dams fire department.

Sue added that she is not a member of the Beaver Dams fire departments board. Stating that she is only a first responder, and that she was a first responder at the previous administration of the Monterey fire Department.

Matt Maloney from the Tyrone fire department, and several line officers. Asked if there were any specific questions that were directed towards Tyrone's participation in any of the current or upcoming contracts.

No questions were directed at the Tyrone fire department.

The question was asked about how much the training is going to cost the town and has the town board considered that.

The next question asked which board would be the one coming up with the estimated cost of the training.

Joanne Randall stated that the fire department board would come up with the estimated cost of the training. And that the fire department has the funds to cover any and all cost of training.

Mel Horton did confirm that the current Monterey fire Department administration has the funds to cover all upcoming trainings, until the new contract.

The question was asked to current volunteer firefighters receive tax exemption on their town and County property taxes.

Bill Kennedy stated that it only applies to your income taxes.

The question was raised if it is 2 o'clock in the afternoon is Monterey going to be penalized because most volunteer firefighters have day jobs.

Joanne stated that the same thing could be raised for Tyrone, Beaver Dams, and Bradford fire department. Those volunteer fire departments have people who work during the day as well.

The question was asked at the end of the year 2018 who is going to validate whether the current administration of the Monterey fire Department has met the expectations of the ability to fill a contract.

The town board would have to make that determination.

Curt from the Beaver Dams fire department stated that the town board should not wait six months to give the Monterey fire Department the contract. If Mel thinks he is ready now give him the whole town. The Beaver dams fire department will come and help the as mutual aid.

Brian Gardner stated again that the contract that the Monterey fire departments lawyer drew up should be looked over by the town's attorney.

Rick Hendrick stated that he agreed with Bill Kennedy about the emerging of fire departments coming a future occurrence. Rick's personal experience of meeting with other local officials, attending conferences, and workshops to help come up with solutions for this problem and among other topics. There needs to be plan set up in place that will allow all these fire departments to work side-by-side. This plan needs to be worked out with any attorneys in it is possible because when attorneys involved that some things get messy.

Joanne stated that the town board will take the contract, and have it reviewed by the town's attorney. The board will meet later to discuss the contract that the attorney said his opinion about the contract.

The public hearing was adjourned at 7:36 PM.

With a meeting following with just the town board discussing the purchase of a new truck for Jeremy Abby a Highway Supervisor.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF ORANGE, AUGUST 6th, 2018

A regular board meeting of the Town of Orange was held on Monday, August 6th, 2018 in the Town of Orange Town Hall at 6:30PM with the following member present:

PRESENT: Joanne Randall, Acting Supervisor

Jocelyn Harrison, Councilwoman

Rick Hendricks, Councilman

Nancy Whipple, Councilwoman

Susan Allen, Councilwoman Not Present

OTHERS PRESENT: Norma Burris, Carol Rhoades, Cathy Hotter, Mel Horton, Wendy Veley, Chelsea Bailey, Rick Hurley, Al Buckland Code Officer, Jeremy Abbey Highway Supervisor, Thomas Peer Town Clerk

RESOLUTION #89

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison the Highway Vouchers on Abstract #008 in the amount of \$12,427.42 were paid.

ADOPTED                    AYES    5                    NAYS    0

RESOLUTION #90

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison the General Fund Vouchers on Abstract #008 in the amount of \$10,706.06 were paid.

ADOPTED                    AYES    5                    NAYS    0

RESOLUTION #91

On motion of Rick Hendrick, seconded by Nancy Whipple the Trust & Agency Vouchers on Abstract #008 in the amount of \$3614.91 were paid.

ADOPTED                    AYES    5                    NAYS    0

Al Buckland Code Officer- Issued six building permits, Collections were over \$2000 CFOs 2, construction inspections 15, one complainant and that was dust on road. Hours 22, miles traveled 184.

RESOLUTION #92

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Nancy Whipple to approve Al Buckland monthly report.

ADOPTED                    AYES    5                    NAYS    0

No Justice Report

REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF ORANGE, AUGUST 6th, 2018

Jeremy Abbey Highway Supervisor - Did some shared services with Tyrone oiling and stoning on Crystal Valley Road preventive work. Barkley Road gravel, getting a nice base on that so it is not torn up, for the wintertime. Hornby Road we have been hauling in the material for all the work that will be happening there. Auction International got everything set up with them. Cleaned up the Maltby Cemetery, got rid of the concrete block. Started seconded cutting now, on the grass roadside. Trying to keep up with the weather.

Locust tree fell and Wendy Veley will be cleaning it up as soon as she can get to it.

Jeremy presented the town board with a highlighted list of items that could go up for sale on Auction International. Jeremy said no to the drill bits and hydraulic chainsaw and does not want to counter offer on either item. Would like to the town board to vote on to let go of all other items highlighted.

Jeremy will file the highlighted list with the town clerk.

Jeremy left after giving his report.

RESOLUTION #93

On the motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Rick Hendrick that all highlighted items be sold on Auction International site as bided on by those who wish to buy the surplus items.

ADOPTED                      AYES    5                      NAYS    0

Town Clerk report was reviewed and filed. One Marriage License, 20 dog licenses, did do first birth certificate since taking office. A home birth was done in the town and it was interesting to do the paperwork. Working on the records room, came across some books that are showing mold damage to them. Mold has even grown on the floor and corner of the room.

RESOLUTION #94

On the motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Nancy Whipple to approve the town clerks report.

ADOPTED                      AYES    5                      NAYS    0

Supervisor Report - Highway Department at the end of May \$494,522.30, \$3.73 was brought in on internet, no other money like that this month. Spend \$23,577.78 which is payroll and bills that were paid. With a balance of \$470,948.25. Trust and Agency balance in May \$11,619.01, and \$24,651.51 transfer to cover payroll. Decrease were \$24,834.36, leaving a balance of \$11,436.23 in the Trust and Agency account. Next month in the Trust and Agency will be the Foreign Fire Tax, we are paying this tonight. It comes in the Trust and Agency and goes out to the Fire Departments. General Fund balance as of May \$197,424.22, we brought in \$8,195.81, which is Mortgage tax check and recycling monies. Spend \$21,036.16, which is payroll and the bills. Balance for the General Fund \$184,583.87.

RESOLUTION #95

On the motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Rick Hendrick to approve the town clerks report.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF ORANGE, AUGUST 6th, 2018

ADOPTED                      AYES    5                      NAYS

Grant Info & Council of Government Meeting - Joanne attend meeting on the 25th of July. Schuyler County submitted \$8.6 million in grants, that includes our park grant. There are only two parks being applied for in the grant funding. According to Tim O’hearn that the tax cap will be 2% this next year. The county has shown 2.89% in growth this last year. Also being 7% up in sale tax from last year. Joanne showed a picture of what the Schuyler County Industrial Park will look like when it is done. It will be a wine bottling plant to support the local wineries and should be ready by next harvest season.

Rich Hurley - At the environmentalist meeting we talked about the Development park, and what it could do to the Town of Dix water extraction in the area. Water is in such a high demand in the area. The KOA on 414 is expanding, only creating a great demand for clean water. The new building will also deal with waste from the wineries. Wineries will truck the waste to where it can be cleaned. Not sure about the full amount of details yet. Last month meet was canceled due to a lack of a quorum, but the agenda was presented and give to the town clerk. At the next meeting we will be talking about the garbage incinerator project up on Seneca Lake, Solar Schuyler, Natural Resources inventory update. All the towns had to put information out.

Fire Department Reports (Only Monterey)

Monterey Fire Department - Five people in basic fire training. Starting off slow to get up to speed, like sexual harassment, violence in the workplace, policies and procedures. Doing two trainings a week. We are looking at it, so everyone is on the same page when it comes to how we are running the fire department. Training tonight after this meeting, doing some hands-on stuff with equipment. We had our calm bake, was expending a larger turnout, but we all still had a great time. Did hit the boot and made \$400 on that. No treasure report currently. Here is some hour we have been clocking in: 60 hours in training, three hours in work training, fundraising hours 90 hours. Total of a 153 hours so far this year. Working on getting turnout gear of my guys or buy used. Trying to build up morale.

Meeting Minutes Approval

February to June Meeting Minutes from the town board meetings.

RESOLUTION #96

On the motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Rick Hendrick that we approve of the February to June of 2018 meeting minutes.

ADOPTED                      AYES    5                      NAYS    0

Public Hearing Minutes for February

RESOLUTION #97

On the motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison that we approve of the Public Hearing Minutes of February 2018 meeting minutes.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF ORANGE, AUGUST 6th, 2018

ADOPTED                      AYES    5                      NAYS    0

New Business

Review of Rules for Cemeteries \$ Signage -

Joanne - I copied this rule from the Cooper Cemetery a long time ago. There is a young man who is willing to do an Eagle Scout project and make sign for the Sugar Hill Cemetery. His name is Nick Bailey. Tim O'Hearn said that the Schuyler County Highway department has a sign maker and to email them with what we want on them and how big. Sugar Hill and Maltby Cemetery are two that need then.

The idea that all the cemetery should have this sign posted in an easy to read location. Request 9 signs to be made by Schuyler County Highway Department.

Wendy Veley - Town of Orange Mowing Contract Holder - Please no more glass, it is hard to keep small rocks from hitting it. They do look nice but do want to run the risk of breaking it. People who place borders around the site are not doing so well caring for them, nor are the people who place stones inside the borders. Weeds grow up and take over the site and it make the task of mowing harder to perform. Taking care to make sure that the cemeteries look good is important. Trying not to remove loved one's site mementos is important. Seeing what happened down in Coopers, the Town of Orange does not need a repeat. However, if it is starting to look ratty and bad looking, we are going to remove it in a timely manner.

Rules:

- 1.No burial without notification of town
- 2.No Unauthorized vehicles, Recreational vehicles in cemetery
- 3.Closed Dust to Dawn
- 4.No open flames or glass containers
- 5.No trees or shrubs
- 6.All graves must be cleared by October 15th in the Fall, and Cleared April 1st in the Spring
- 7.No burials between December 31st and April 1st
- 8.No Hunting

OLD BUSINESS

Maltby Cemetery -

Cathy Hotter - Family is buried in that cemetery and is totally disgusted with how it looks over there. Her father, Clifford Scranton being a veteran, a Marine. Birthday also being the 4th of July. Going to visit the site only finding it covered with rocks and dirt. His Marine mementos covered in dirt and rocks. Also,

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there being a mess with Bill Mullaney head stone mess. The stone next to it is all place perfect and clean. Bill's is tipping over.

Joanne - stated that she is seeking out people to quote what is happening, and how to correct the problem. To level off the stone and fix the surround earth.

Cathy - Who is the Company who did the work and caused the issue in the area.

Joanne - Snyder Brothers Cemetery Services in Danville New York. They did not have a contract to do it. They were paid \$1500 to put the body in the ground. She has talked with Bob Perry and he has done a lot of cemetery work, and he is willing to come over and look. He stated that it could be fixed in three months. Also talking to Anderson Funeral Home and they are saying the same thing as Bob. Seeking board approval to hire a company to come in and fix the problem. We are not over \$3000 in the cemetery budget trying to fix this problem. Stating that \$1000 should hopefully correct this problem. Not knowing what is really going on without someone looking at it and saying what it is going to cost.

Cathy - Who gave them the okay? Was it Minard LaFever? She is currently unable to bury her late husband, who has been dead for two years. There seems to be a lot of disrespect going on in that cemetery to one family vs. another. She stated that she will go to the newspapers and get an attorney to correct the problem. That bill should have not been paid for poor work done in the cemetery. Sister could not be here tonight to talk about her late husband Bill, but she is very upset over this whole situation. If Bill's stone gets knocked over, this town will be paying big bucks. Hopefully this can be somewhat fixed by the next board meeting, or someone could be in trouble. She stated that she is sorry and does not mean any disrespect to the board, but this has gone on too long to go with nothing said.

The idea of creating a burial permit for the Town of Orange in order to bury a body in any town cemetery. So, there is a legal and paper trail showing how and who oversaw the burial process.

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR/PUBLIC CONCERNS

The crayons and colored pencils will be given away to all the children who participated in the drawing contest. The winner of the \$10 gift card for "Drawing what you see in your town park" - Jack Bronfenbrenner

Chelsea Bailey - A question on does the town have a website, and are the meeting minutes posted to it?

Thomas Peer - Town Clerk - Yes, the town does have a website and yes now that the minutes are approved, they will go up.

Chelsea bailey - Are they normally done in a large amount of time or is there a proper way?

Thomas - Stating that being a new town clerk is hard to get used to but is trying to make the best of it. Collecting taxes for the first time is a very big task, and most if the minutes that were typed where done at home. Trying to find a balance that will work is sometime hard with limited hours and people coming in while keeping up with the day to day operations. Not trying to create excuses, but there is a big

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learning curve. Still owning two public hearings and a few meetings minutes. Sundays are the best days for me because there is much time that I can sit down and do minutes.

Chelsea Bailey - Has the town board seen any kind of sustainability plan from the Monterey Fire Department, or what kind of standards is the town board setting for the department. There just seems to be a lot of talk in the community that seems to be downgrading other fire departments that helped cover the Town of Orange. Tyrone, Beaver Dams, and Bradford all covered the Town of Orange when the Monterey Fire Department could not answer the call. Not saying that the town board is directly involved in saying these things, but we all should be working together to build a better community. Talking to one another about how we can help, train, and be there when the time calls. Mutual aid is extremely important once Monterey becomes a reinstated fire department.

Mel Horton - Monterey Fire Chief - Is holding meeting with these other departments to create a plan for when Monterey becomes active again. We are working on being trained and getting everything up to where it needs to be, but it is only going to take time. We have a long road and it going to be hard getting everything we need together, but we are trying to fix all broken communication between our mutual aid help.

Rick - Agrees that all parties need to get together, there is no one who is going to put it together. All need to put aside their differences and meet on a commune ground. It hard to try to fix a problem when there are some many people who have affected our community. Most of whom are not in the room to speak on their actions, but it can many years to correct the problems cause, and now we are here to clean up the mess.

Carol on the Park Expenses -

Carol Rhode - The grant has been file on July 25th, and while at SCOPE. See what other people are putting in for grants that are extremely professional looking. We don't qualify for those grants because we don't have the answers for some stuff. We are not going to make money on this park. Expense base budget comes out to be \$32,000. 25% of what we are asking for must come from volunteerism, and I priced out it at \$6126, which means we would be asking for \$24,000. That will include the two legged bench, trash receptacles (\$1100), bike receptacles, four swings (\$2695), circular climber (\$1800), standalone drivers panel (\$1500), pavilions (\$5000), Safety area under all play equipment (little over \$5000), shipping for all \$3000. Ground improvement \$2100 to make sure the land is level. We are looking hard for volunteers to help set up the play equipment 60 hours, excavation 10 hours, building pavilions 50 hours, cement work for path and pavilions 48 hours, contract supervision 40 hours, electrician 8 hours, pumping 6 hours. Bring the volunteer value to about \$6000. We are not tie into this play equipment; we can make some changes. There is many different play equipment that we can switch out. Problem being we don't get the money up front; the town will pay and get the money back from the state. Joanne should get a call in December or between January on whether we have been approved. At that point we will have to have a project manager, if available Carol would be fine to oversee this project. She states she has over seen projects like this before. Carol asked Rich if he is

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available to help and would talk more later. After the approval we will plan out the layout of where things are going to be placed. Might have a higher chance of getting the grant because of not having a town park. If approved, there will have to be a detailed document of what will be happening each month. Carol had to give examples of what one schedule would look like. Carol added that our community does not have much money and raising \$1000 might be difficult. Many seek out outside financial partners to cover donations funds. Carol never knew how much it took to build a park with just a few things. Looking into what kind of state requirements are needed. Also include in the grant, stating in a few years or so the Monterey Fire Department would be building a baseball field nearby to promote additional activities. Could possibly look for grants for that. One thing going for us is that the town already owns the land.

There was talk of a carry in and carry out policy vs. having a trash receptacle. Might bring people to drop off trash there.

Mary Olin - How is the foundation work going? Is there a set finish date?

Joanne - Is going well. There is a lot that needs to be done and some is timely. When putting on the sealer, it takes two hours to dry before anything else can be placed on it. Ivan is trying not to get too far ahead, so in case there is rain most of the foundation is covered up.

RESOLUTION #98

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Joycelyn Harrison that the meeting be closed at 8:15 pm

ADOPTED                      AYES 4                      NAYS 0

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF ORANGE, SEPTEMBER 3, 2018

A regular board meeting of the Town of Orange was held on Monday, September 3, 2018 in the Town of Orange Town Hall at 6:33PM with the following members present:

PRESENT: Joanne Randall, Acting Supervisor  
Jocelyn Harrison, Councilwoman  
Rick Hendrick, Councilman  
Nancy Whipple, Councilwoman  
Sue Allen, Councilwoman

OTHERS PRESENT: Mary Olin, Wendy Veley, Sam Mattison, Kevin Coon, Jeremy Abbey Highway Supervisor, Cathy Hodder, Thomas Peer Town Clerk

RESOLUTION #99

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Nancy Whipple the General Fund Vouchers on Abstract #009 in the amount of \$29,262.22 were paid.

ADOPTED                      AYES 5                      NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #100

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison the Highway Fund Vouchers on Abstract #009 in the amount of \$29,754.05 were paid.

ADOPTED                      AYES 5                      NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #101

On motion of Rick Hendrick, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison the Trust and Agency Vouchers on Abstract #009 in the amount of \$1528.39 were paid.

ADOPTED                      AYES 5                      NAYS 0

No Assessor Report

No Building Code Officer Report

Justice Report - There are two reports that were given. For June and July, June was \$2,152.00 we don't get to keep all of that, and July was \$1,101.00.

Superintendent of Highways report - Jeremy stated hauling gravel for the Hornby Hill project. There has been some flooding this last month, so we have been helping Hector out. Done some grading, got our second cutting in.

Hector still has two bridges out but are recovering slowly. No one has been hurt due to the flooding. There are some bridges that are damaged that are still being used. We got lucky that this storm missed our area. They said it was a 200 years storm hitting the area every 30 minutes. There was 9 ½ of rain in a span of six hours.

Town Clerk Report - Thomas stated it was a busy month selling hunting license, this being the first time doing them, and it is very interesting. Sold \$552.00 worth of hunting licenses, and the town get to keep \$30.24. It makes sense in the grand scheme of things, the state supplies the printer, ink, paper, magazines, and the training is free, so it only makes sense that the labor is only worth \$30.24. Selling a hunting license only time a few minutes. Summer Swim Program is

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done, with an average of 15 kids per week. Each kid got a free lunch and seeing how much our chaperones have put into our program.

The question was asked who can ride the bus to the Swim Program? - Thomas and Joanne added that anyone in the Town of Orange can ride the bus. It is a first come first service kind of deal. The bus can only hold so many people, so only about 60 people can ride the bus. Families are more than welcomed to come to attend, the town puts on this program to provide community activity during the summer months.

Supervisor Report - Joanne - Highway fund, got a sale tax check for \$38,061.75. Bills and payroll was \$46,111.80. With a Balance of \$409,503.60. General fund got revenue of \$21,361.89, that is from the justice, recycling money, and the town clerks report. Paid bills of \$49,903.36, leaving a balance of \$156,042.40. Trust and Agency is where payroll go in and out, foreign fire tax is deposited into, and wrote check out to Bradford, Tyrone and Beaver Dams. Starting off with a balance of \$1,104.32, \$24,306 increase for the payroll, spending \$22,544.22 with the checks we wrote. Leaving a balance of \$13,198.30.

The Local Law passed on the Duty Highway Supervisor Residence. Saying that they can live outside of the town limits but have to be employed by the town first.

Jeremy added that Doug Veley would be taking over the position of Deputy Highway Supervisor.

Thomas added that after finding out that the law was passed Jeremy and Doug where there as Thomas swear in Doug to be the Deputy.

Joanne add that on September 25 there will be a seminar on planting trees to improve the Chesapeake Bay Watershed in the town of Big Flats. They will talk about what kinds of trees to plant, how to plant them as buffers, and where to plant them. There is a \$5 fee to register but will furnish lunch.

### **New Business**

**Town Hall Foundation Done** – Joanne stated that Ian did a good job on the porch and the foundation. The stain has a five-year warranty on it. And if there are any problems, he will come back for up to two years after being done with everything.

Jeremy- Stated the mortar is already cracking on the right corner of the building, so is it even done right. The back corner, one can still stick their hand up in the building. Wasn't part of the project to remove part of the siding to fix above it? Really don't for see this holding out in the long term. 2-foot crack running down the side of the building. All that really happened was put a new face on the stone.

Wendy Veley – the pea stone out front was a good idea, but the ground was not prepped in a way to prevent grass from growing. Also is the other pile of stone going to be removed.

Joanne – Yes, someone is coming to get it and remove the stone, and I will get ahold of him to take a look at the foundation again, as well as, the stone up front.

Jeremy – We are not trying to be picky, but the town did spend a lot of money on this project.

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Jon Olin – Was that grant money that fix the foundation?

Joanne – No, that was not grant money. It was in the Capital reverse account. We have been saving money for this very reason to fix the foundation.

**Cold War Exemption** – Comes up every 10 years and needs to be voted on. Veterans can get this on their taxes. Any Veteran who severed during the Cold War is eligible to take this tax exemption. This exemption expires this year and needs to be voted up or down where to re-add it as a local law for another 10 years. There still a few residents in the town that would be able to use this exemption.

**Privilege of the Floor/Public Concerns** –

Kevin Coon – I live on Hornby Hill and as much as the town has spent on that road over the years has improves the condition greatly, however, the road must be attended more often. The plowing seasons naturally pushes all the lose stuff into the ditch leaving wholes and marks in the road. That is how these roads get wide. The road needs to seal somehow if it's not going to be oil and stoned. This will help with road lose in the winter months while keep dust down during the warmer months. Grade of the road is a factor, grading in different directions will only create more holes and ruts in the road. Grading some of the loose dirt that was lost in the plowing season will help fill in the loser areas while filling in the hole and ruts. Maintains is key and how often it happens helps. Scare firing the surface of the road will help too. Roads may pop up here and there but fill in the area and regrade the road to get the same level of road quality.

Jeremy – The real problem is the road is not up to grade. Once you dig in the Scare Fire teeth you hit shale stone. Some parts of the road are 60 feet wide. That whole road needs to be redone. Clay is a factor as well. It's hard to drain the water away and keep it away. What we are using is state inspected crush item #4 stone to rebuild and add grade to the road.

Kevin – the road is creating a chatter on it.

Jeremy – Yes, heavy truck traffic can cause that to happen and any recreation vehicle is causing the damage as well.

Kevin – You will always have that unless the road is posted to stop heavy truck traffic. But there are ways to combat road chatter. By some of what was said before. I am not stating I want you job because it is thanks less and I am not here to point fingers. Only here to help by what I am observing. I have worked on road from 1974 to till about two years ago. I have seen what works and what does not. There have been a lot of effort. But it will fail sooner rather later. Try oil and stone, or even pave it no one likes the choice, but it does need more time and care. I have stated this issue a few years ago with Cedric.

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Jon – You can drive around any short distance and see what is happening is all over. Even other towns have dirt roads that hold up better than any other roads we have, and those roads have been around for years. They are not dusty or holes all over, nor are they 80 feet wide.

Kevin – The excuse that there is not enough money is not okay. I know that 50% or so of the town is owned by the State and we should be focusing on the problem areas. See you are working on Hornby, but Coon Hollow is bad because of the truck traffic. Your taking the roller and grader over to Hornby, work your way to there. Verse trucking all the stuff over there and trucking it back. Fix problems on the way to the project and on the way back. It all needs to be done, spend some time fixing and working on major projects.

Jon – Isn't there a 10-ton limit on those roads?

Jeremy – Yes, but expect local deliveries, they can get around and that. That is a problem we have.

Kevin – Truck, school buses, Southern Tier Auto, etc. traveling those roads. School bus cause the chatter as much as anything else.

Sam Mattison – This trouble could go away if they had one more guy working for the town.

Kevin – Jeremy could support me on this, but there is no one for traffic control. Let's say that even all the signs are up, and someone cause an accident. Trucks come flying up all the time. I know this is a sore subject and it has been for years. There have been some improvements, but there needs to be more time spent up on the hill working those roads, so they last a long time.

Jon – Is oil available for this year budget? I know the last few years they put down oil, is this going to happen again? People like the oil and it does make a difference. People are mad because we did not get the oil this year.

Jeremy – Oil this year would have cost the town \$20,000 roughly, and calcium was available at that time. By the time we called for the oil it was late in the season and we were getting put off later.

Jon – Can that be planned for next year when we are working on the budget now, so we know that we will have access to the it in a timely manner. While prepping the road now to get ready for oil next year.

Kevin – Federal Evacuation Route, Hornby is labeled that. Sutton said he was looking into that, but you know yeah right. It would seem that would need to be reached an approached in a way to get that road to a better quality. Seeing who can help get some more people involved.

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Joanne/ Jeremy – Jeff Sutton was talking to some other people and said the State was going to come in and build the town a new road. But he did make some higher up politicians upset, so we are playing clean up for that.

Cathy Hodder – Minard LaFever contacted Dale and said he was going to put topsoil down and seed. The company who placed the stone said it was illegal to move the stone and not put it back proper and now that the topsoil has not been placed right the stone needs to be reset. The town board needs to make sure they will pay for this in 2019 in full and installed back to the right form. Next month will bring my legal counsel.

Joanne – My understanding is they did not remove the footer.

Cathy – its under dirt now. Minard buried it all in dirt. This needs to be put in writing that it will be reset and in a timely manner due to the time of the year when the work can be performed.

Joanne – Talked with many companies and it could take about a year before the stone can be leveled off.

Cathy – Do the right thing and have the stone placed back in the correct position or my legal counsel will be here at the next meeting. If someone want to dish out \$15,000 for a new stone by my guess, but it needs to be fixed. I will go after Minard and the town if they are not fixed.

Joanne – We will do what we can at this given time. Understanding the stone was moved in order to move another stone. We will be reaching out to more companies to come and take a look at the stone to see what can be done to fix it.

Jocelyn – Cathy maybe if you give the town board a few days to talk about this we can come up with as solution that makes all parties happy with the work results. We want to fix this problem and return the site back into its original state.

Cathy – I'll let Dale know that someone will get back to her on how this problem will be addressed.

Joanne – Will call Dale tomorrow.

RESOLUTION #102

On motion of Rick Hendrick, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison the meeting adjourned at 8:10PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF ORANGE, OCTOBER 1, 2018

A regular board meeting of the Town of Orange was held on Monday, October 1, 2018 in the Town of Orange town hall at 6:31PM with the following members present:

PRESENT: Joanne Randall, Acting Supervisor  
Susan Allen, Councilwoman  
Jocelyn Harrison, Councilwoman  
Rick Hendrick, Councilman  
Nancy Whipple, Councilwoman

OTHERS PRESENT: Patrick Matussek, Norma Burris, Vicki Flynn, Assessor, Mary Olin, Carol Rhoades, Richard Hurley, Wendy Veley, Jeremy Abbey, Al Buckland, Building Code Officer, Mel Horton Monterey Fire Department Fire Chief, Sam Mattison, Joseph Sabin, Larry Baker, David Bronfenbrenner, Rodney Hoad Bradford Fire Department, Harold Galusha, Thomas Peer Town Clerk

RESOLUTION #103

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Rick Hendrick the General Fund Vouchers on Abstract #010 in the amount of \$6,797.92 were paid.

ADOPTED                    AYES 5                    NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #104

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Nancy Whipple the Highway Department Vouchers on Abstract #010 in the amount of \$28,506.61 were paid.

ADOPTED                    AYES 5                    NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #105

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Susan Allen the Trust & Agency Vouchers on Abstract #010 in the amount of \$178.00 were paid.

ADOPTED                    AYES 5                    NAYS 0

Vicki Flynn reported that there are new rules for the STAR Exemption this year. Enhanced STAR people all have to do the income verification again. It is mandatory through the state now. Even the low-income seniors that make less than \$16,000 will need to do this. We sent all the STAR paperwork out at the same time. They will get another piece of paper in January asking them to sign up for the Enhanced STAR for March. We need two different forms of incomes, we are getting a lot of paperwork back stating no income, no signatures, not every question answered, etc. The State will take the exemptions away. If you don't do what they want, they will take it. If you are talking to someone, they have to do that paperwork and get it in on time. As most of you know Vicky is returning at the end of this month. Joe Sabin is her replacement. The town will need to appoint Joe after Vicky is done at the end of the month as in term Assessor until the he gets his six months in, after that he will be the Assessor. He has had some classes and will continue to take more. Right now, Joe is working on reevaluating the town. Joe started in

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February and has been training for a while. Joe helped with Tyrone and Reading last year. Orange, Dix, and Village are all getting done this year. There is not much changing in the town, land price in not going up much. Tyrone and Reading got hammered last year. I don't see much here, other than improvements on one's land. Joe will still be keeping the Monday hours, and will be in office for a little before hitting the road. 8:30 am to 11:00 am, a lot of people do their business when they are in Watkins doing other business, or in the mail. Please call us if there is anything questions about the STAR.

Vicky and Joe left after the report.

Building Code Officer - Not present at the meeting. Had a report

Cell phone bill for \$15 and mileage for September \$82.68. 6 permits, 2 certs. of residence, 16 construction inspections, 2 building without permits, 20 hours, and 159 miles.

Justice Report - \$747.00, state will take \$362.00.

Highway Supervisor report Jeremey Abbey - Got a check from Auctions International for \$24,129.50 for the dump truck we sold, boom lift, hydraulic power unit. All these items we have no use for. Sexton Hollow Bridge got flagged, red flag, all taken care of. Tried to finish up the leaning walls before winter. Just enough to bandage it through to the grant time. Just haul in road sand, other maintenance. I will try to get the DOT engineer into a meeting to talk more about the project.

The volume of water coming under the bridge was a concern and could be causing more damage.

Jeremy - Have been watching it since the last rainstorm. Seeing the water 3 feet from the deck was scaring me, but it did hold up because of the wing walls we built are holding strong. It did take a lot of force of the embankment. We can't get in the water now because September is the cutoff date. After the red flags are on there, we had 24 hours to fix it or they would close the bridge down. But we stayed to get it done. The barrels are still there only because the town needs it in writing that everything is okay after the DOT engineer sends the paperwork.

Joanne - Soil and Water has applied for the grant for \$500,000. Maybe we can't it all, but any little bit helps. Because when we can only raise our tax cap is 1.0126% equaling \$11,779 is the total amount, we can increase our total budget. At the amount how are we going to build a \$500,000 bridge. We are going to need help from somewhere.

Jeremy - The whole bridge needs to be replaced there is not more fixing it. It will be planned to be replaced with a cement box culvert. Once they rip the deck off the wing wall will only fall into the stream.

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Town Clerk report Thomas Peer - Busy month talking with a few people for a record retention grant for up to \$75,000 from the state. So, we can take all documents and convert them into a digital document. There are about 27 boxes that are things the town may not need to keep. I was planning on opening them up to let the public see them before they will get removed. These documents do not hold any value and no historical information on it. Most documents are past the New York State records retention schedule. A lot being from the 70', 80's, 90's and they are just bills. There are old books and bidders that out of date. This grant would be free money from the state, they set money aside for projects like this and I am trying to go after this. The town does not have to do anything towards it, other than pay the grant writer to write the grant and fill it out correctly. Which would cost \$1,800 for the grant writer, paying half up front and the other half when the writing is done after submission. This grant its not due until February but starting now only helps the town get closer to hopefully getting the money. Also, while trying to get a final number on how many documents will need to turn into digital copies. They are about 15 cents per page to have them copied, so getting rid of items so we can get the cost down will only help us hopefully get the grant. There was a quote \$33,000 to \$35,000 to take and do it as is. Taking out 27 boxes will only help low that cost. The system that will be storing this information will be able to look up anything that is typed in as a searchable document. Making things easier to find information. Which will cut down on document searching as well as storage for all the paper. Jane Dove submitted a town history of the Bradford Central School. She took the time to and reached and took information she gathered from people who attended old schools that now make up most of the Bradford School district today. This was submitted to be on file for in the Town of Orange, so anyone may view this document at any time during my office hours.

Supervisor report Joanne Randall - As of August 31st, 2018, Highway Fund checking account \$377,756.40. Increase of \$114.41 which was as sluice pipe, and a decrease of \$31,861.61 which is payroll and all the bills we paid for August. General Fund is \$139,788.98. Increase of \$6,038.98 which is recycling, mortgage tax check, and the town clerk month report. Decrease of \$22,292.41 which is payroll and all the bills for August. Capital Reserve for sick day buy outs that was set up years ago when someone was getting so many days that the town got worried, that account has \$22,821.88. Sugar Hill Cemetery fund \$9,026.75. General Capital Reserve \$41,4791.62 is the balance after paying for the foundation repairs. Cemetery Reserve Account \$965.92. We still do owe \$208,443.45 on the new slow plow truck. Just in case anyone wondered.

## RESOLUTION #106

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Nancy Whipple the above reports were accepted as read.

ADOPTED

AYES 5

NAYS 0

Rich Hurley Environmental Management - August minutes meeting, and only have September's agenda, don't have the minutes. The main thing talked about was garbage incinerator project,

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that this was pushed aside for a bit, but it has come back. The company is going to invoke article 10, saying it will be good for the public. They will see Romulus in court, and this will become a battle for hometown rule. This will truly affect us all if they put it in. Solar Schuyler not to much happening with that. More and more people are become a part of it though. There was water testing on Seneca lake, and it showed that it was better than the test done last year. Algae blooms many less this year, but who really knows. Which can be bad for the waters drinking supply. Disappointed in council on the Walmart color change from Earth tone colors to the corporate blue.

Fire Department Reports -

Beaver Dams Fire Department Curt Smith - Is requesting \$16,187 for the 2019 budget year. The contract will go back to the past contract agreements in the year of 2017. In 2017 our budget then was \$13,200; we are requesting a 2% increase to \$13,770 operating budget. With the Cancer Benefit Program and Workers Comp. adding to get a total of \$16,187. There is a copy of the 2018 payment, and a letter from Rob Helpen showing the price of the Workers Comp payout. We have not gotten the 2019 bill yet and are being told by the Town Clerk of the Town of Dix that they will be seeing a 3% to 4% increase in Workers Comp payment. Allowing \$600 for the Cancer Bill, came from the State saying that Hartford Insurance will be the carrier for the Bill, and will be \$225 per person, and currently have eight people who will be enrolled into the insurance because you have to show a five year history of level 3 firefighter physicals and fit test. I have a total of 15 interior firefighters, and only eight of which have a history of fire years' worth. As the years go on we will plan to have more money set aside. One thing that is disturbing about the Cancer Bill is the town is even reasonable for if that person moves away. I understand why, but if you take in five members, and they all move away. The town will still have to pay for five years. While getting no use out of them protecting the community. They only state this because cancer take so many years before it is even found. They need to look at the history and see where it all could have started. The insurance company though gets to if that person joins another fire department gets two payments for five years. Looking for \$270 increase in the operating budget, from \$13,500 in 2017 to \$13,770, and to the Workers Comp share which is broken down. Then the Cancer Bill that is \$225.

Joanne - When the contracts were written in 2018 it say \$49,000 is what Beaver Dams was going to get. But when the check was written Beaver Dams got \$65,500. Do you know what that difference is?

Curt - Will have to pull the paperwork out to see why that is.

Joanne - Can't find the paperwork. The minutes don't even show this either. It shows up in the town budget as \$65,500. If we get audited, we need to show this somehow. See I have the contract for \$49,000, but the voucher and the check read \$65,500 nothing showing how we got there. Asking the board members but none seem to know either.

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Curt - I may have copies I can send you. I believe I have everything you need to make sure you can show that to the auditors if need be. But I don't want to speak out of turn without the paperwork in front of me. I will also get with the Treasurer and we will plan out a time to meet and explain how we got there; she is a lot better than me.

Curt - The fire department itself, is very busy as always, 21 calls in the last 30 days. Up to 206 calls this year. 47 members with two new members joining last month, with nine new members for the year. With two application pending on a 30 day hold because we can take that time to investigate their background, so we know more about them before we vote. In the process of writing the AFG grant for fire departments to get new turnout gear. Trucks inspected for the year. Eight students just finished the basic firefighting class, with two in the EMT class.

Bradford Fire Department Rodney Hoad - 122 calls for the year, most being EMS calls. I and my wife just passed the EMT class. Three in CFR and getting ready for the gun raffle. Main engine is down and is not in service and will be calling Tyrone out, and it will no longer in in service as well. It will cost \$27,000 to repair the broken engine. We have another truck, but it is not like the one that is down. We can still pump water, but not as much. We are working on another truck. We will be checking in to the Cancer Bill and will get back with our Budget numbers.

Monterey Fire Department Mel Horton - Three in class now. Will start doing EMS class soon. Next class will have about eight people in it. One truck in the shop right now, it's the brush truck. It is getting some brake work done on it. Working on getting some new gear for incoming people. I have meeting with Glen Miller who sells fire gear, in the end of December we should be seeing him. Sock Hop is coming up this weekend, if you haven't seen the sign. Also, people keep changing our sign to say bad things on it, but we are looking into it. 28-member total, with six inters and seven or eight exeter firefighters.

RESOLUTION #107

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Rick Hendrick the accept the fire department reports.

ADOPTED

AYES 5

NAYS 0

**New Business**

Public Hearing for Cold War Vet Exemption - We have to set a date and time before the next board meeting which is November 12th at 6:30pm. There we will read out loud the law and have public input on it. We are just renewing the local law because it expires every ten years, and we are not changing the wording either. Unless the board wants too, but I don't think we can change the wording at all. It offers an exemption of \$12,000 and is written in the New York State Real Property Tax Law. The Assessor is the person who will give out the exemption to those who qualify for it. Only applies for town and county taxes, not school or special taxes. Passed this old law in 2009, and we are just doing the same thing this year for the next ten years. But we need to have a public hearing on this. The Town Clerk will post this in the newspapers.

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Tax Cap & Budget - 1.126% or add \$11,779 to the overall budget. That include fire departments, highways fund, and the general fund. We will hold a workshop meeting at the end of October. On Monday 22nd at 6:00 pm and will be open to the public.

Curt - asked if the meeting could be held that same day with him, Joanne, and Beaver Dams Treasure? At 4:30 pm or 5:00 pm, after checking with her before.

Joanne - Sure that is fine.

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Carol - Nothing else on the park as of right now.

Mary Olin - Foundation whole fixed yet?

Joanne - Rick and I have check it out around and nothing seems wrong.

Jeremy - Pull the side off the back. Stick your hand up the back and feel the gap. Just staying, and the j-channel was never removed.

Susan Allen - If there are holes there it needs to be checked out.

Jeremy - The amount of money we spent on that; we need to make sure that it is done right. I know we wanted to keep it local, but we need it looked at again. The j-channel was never removed like it said in the contract. Seeing him as few times but did not dig down deep enough to pour the footer. All he did was spray good stuff foam and put mortar on it. Which is already cracking on the corner. He hurried up and covered it in pea stone. For \$33,000, not sure if the town got a good deal.

Joanne - I will call him and get him to come down here and see for himself.

**RESOLUTION #108**

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Rick Hendrick the meeting adjourned at 7:21PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

BUDGET WORKSHOP, TOWN OF ORANGE, OCTOBER 22, 2018

A budget workshop for the Town of Orange 2018 Budget was held on Monday, October 22, 2018 at the Town of Orange Town Hall at 6:00PM with the following members present:

PRESENT: Joanne Randall, Acting Supervisor  
Nancy Whipple, Councilwoman  
Jocelyn Harrison, Councilwoman  
Rick Hendricks, Councilman

ABSENT: Susan Allen, Councilwoman

OTHERS PRESENT: Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

Joanne - Need to find someone to fill in for Scott McIwain, the recycling supervisor. He would like to take off November 17th, just for the day. We will pay that person \$11 an hour and just fill out a voucher for the time they are there, verse entering them and having all the taxes taken out. We just need someone who can fill in please let me know and I will get with them. Shawn O'Dell and Larry Hall could be an idea.

New Loader - Joanne - The old loader the transmission has gone out on it and we need to find a replacement sooner than later, because it does do a lot of work. OGS has given a quote on a new loader, which will be a lease just like the roller we got earlier this year. At 4.75% interest per month for five year, at \$33,335.42 per year. Price goes up the 1st of November, they will give the town \$20,000 for the old loader. So, we need to know sooner rather than later. The old loader is 18 years old, and between the transmission and the bucket being shot, there is just nothing we can do.

Thomas - So the price of the new loader is \$151,901.80?

Joanne - Yes, but that is with the \$20,000 trade in. Full price being \$171,901.80. Jeremy did state that this is a lease and will go over a five-year lease.

Nancy - Where is the \$33,335.42 come from?

Joanne - Not sure, but Jeremy told me that when he came in and explained the whole lease out. If you divide the whole amount by five you get the yearly payment. Whether it's with or without the trade in value.

Nancy - What is an engine block heater?

Rick / Jocelyn - it's the heat the engine so you don't have to jump it. Diesel engine have it on them. It's for the winter.

Needing to make sure the town can afford this, it sounds nice and all, but what can we really do.

Jocelyn - Do they need the loader for the rest of the year?

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Joanne- Yes, to load salt into the trucks. Lets see what will be in the equipment fund for 2019.

Thomas - Did Jeremy get the new truck yet?

Joanne - No, it is being built, and won't get it until November.

Thomas - How much was that again?

Joanne - \$31,000 something.

Jocelyn - How did we pay for that?

Joanne - That was taken out of the reserve fund. There was enough money in there for that new truck. \$85,000 is the total for 2019 in the machinery budget line for next year. Talking with Jeremy and make sure that items that are for the General Fund don't make it into the Highway Fund, it messes up the numbers.

Nancy - You said \$85,000, so take out about \$34,000 for the roller and about \$33,000 for the new loader right off the top. You are left with about \$15,000.

Joanne - Jeremy does know that next year the CHIPS money is going up over \$200,000. He will find out tomorrow when her goes up to Cornell, but he is taking his own truck because the current truck is in that bad of shape.

Rick - The town brought it used off the Town of Campbell. In 2006 or around there.

Jocelyn - We have to vote on this tonight.

Joanne - We have to at least tell Jeremy yes or no. Because the price goes up the 1st of November. He wants to get it started if we can.

Nancy - Can he live with \$15,000 machinery budget?

Joanne - I think so, because he is going to have too.

Rick - What about the break down?

Joanne - But if you look at his salt and sand budget for this year so far, he has only spent about \$7,500 and we have \$55,000 in there. Jeremy stated that we have all the salt and sand that we need for the winter already.

Thomas - Last year didn't they run out of salt?

Joanne - I think so, or they said they did. I don't know.

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Thomas - Wasn't there a problem trying to get it?

Nancy - Because no one had it and everyone needed it.

Jocelyn - Reading the farmer's almanac it is predicting a long winter from December to April. With rain and cold.

Joanne - I thought it would be a less cold winter.

Jocelyn - Where is Susan, I told her about being here tonight.

Joanne - I called the Schuyler County Board of Election to see if there is anyone running against me and invite them to this meeting to go over it. Because if they win, they are going to need to know the budget or have some part in making it. There currently is no one running against me this November. Rick and I are the only two on the ballot for the Town or Orange.

Jocelyn - I saw that in the Hi-Lite. I wonder why there is no one else here at this workshop.

Nancy - are you surprised?

Joanne - For one thing, not many people understand it.

Nancy - Surprised Mary Olin is not here. Is she home?

Rick - Saw her drive by today.

Jocelyn - Could be she thinks it 6:30 start time.

Joanne - Well I just wanted you to look at it and see what you think. I don't know what to tell you, but it's one giant guessing game. Did not go over the tax cap, gave out the handout on the tax cap. The tentative budget for 2019 is: the justice asked for a rise because he thinks he should be making more that the court clerk does and is responsible for everything. He wanted \$1,200 to \$1,500, and I only gave him \$500. Just can't rise it up as much. The Town Clerk payroll was messed up last year, it was to be \$8,900, but in payroll it was marked \$8,700, so it a change of \$200. Jeremy has now been placed on the town insurance. Kayla told me this, and if something were to have happened, he may not have been covered, but that is taken care of. We also signed up for that Lenses Program that show us if someone gets a ticket in another state. Election no change, just local elections here, next year more will be added for the Presidential Election. Town Attorney no change. Added some to cemetery fund because I know we will have to pay that \$800 to fix the area around Dale Mullany head stone. Building Code Officer asked for a rise and did not get one, he got one last year. Four highway guys for this year will make about \$177,000 and that is not over time, so the wages were increased for general repair and snow plowing. Placing 200 hours for overtime hours in the budget. I put in \$95,000 in general repair

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and \$95,000 in snow plowing. Thinking this will cover their overtime hours and their wage increase. But who knows how long 200 hours will last. Again it's a guessing game.

Rick - What is the average overtime hours per week?

Joanne - Not sure, but I will look into that.

Joanne - So in the General Fund is there anything that you want to raise and lower?

Joanne - Thomas, take a look at page nine and see the dog license. If we could get Renee over here and doing her job, the town could be a the \$1,500 in revenue.

Thomas - Yes, I was planning on sending her a list at the end of the year of who did not come in and see me. Williamson program can call up all the people who did not get back to me. There are about 35 to 50 forms I send out a month. The new ones are going on this Thursday because it is the 25th.

Joanne - Hearing nothing about changing anything in the General Fund. Now let's move to the Highway Fund. What do you want to change on the highway?

Jocelyn - What did Jeremy think?

Joanne - He looked at it and said it looked good. He stated that he is doing the best he could and trying not to go over. CHIPS read \$40,000 for 2018 and it will be \$165,000 for 2019. I got the information from the State; I have the letter somewhere here. Sales tax is hard to guess, so we just try to guess that. How does one really know?

Fire Department Budget

Joanne - Monterey - Stayed the same as 2017. Mel stated that they will take what they can and make it work. Bradford - got a \$500 raise. Beaver Dams - got a \$1,500 so that it will cover a part of the Workmen's Comp part they are paying to the Town of Dix. Increase Beaver Dams to \$15,000 total. But they have \$16,500 of our money already, and Jessica said just let the keep it for payment. Only problem seeing is that Beaver Dams may want \$16,500 next year.

Ends 6:48 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
ON 2018 PRELIMINARY BUDGET  
FOR THE TOWN OF ORANGE,  
SCHUYLER COUNTY**

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Orange on Monday, November 11th at 6:30PM at the Town Hall, 899 Hornby Road, Monterey, for the purpose of considering the preliminary budget as compiled for or against any items therein contained, which includes the Monterey, Beaver Dams and Bradford Fire Department contracts. 8The preliminary budget is on file at the clerk's office, where it is available for inspection by any interested person, during regular office hours.

Pursuant to Section 108 of Town law, the proposed salaries for the following elected Town officials for 2018 are;

Supervisor . . . .	\$7,200.00
Town Clerk/Tax Collector . . . .	\$8,900.00
Councilperson, 4 each at . . . .	\$1,600.00
Town Justice . . . .	\$3,500.00
Highway Supt. . . .	\$41,500.00

Date: October 24, 2017  
Signed: Joanne Randall, Town Clerk

BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING, COLD WAR EXEMPTION PUBLIC HEARING, &  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF ORANGE, NOVEMBER 12, 2018

A budget public hearing and regular board meeting was held on Monday, November 12, 2018 at the Town of Orange Town Hall at 6:30PM with the following members present:

PRESENT: Joanne Randall, Acting Supervisor  
Jocelyn Harrison, Councilwoman  
Rick Hendrick, Councilman  
Nancy Whipple, Councilwoman

ABSENT: Susan Allen, Councilwoman

OTHERS PRESENT: Mary Olin, Norma Burris, Rodney Hoad Bradford Fire Department, Jeremy Abbey, Superintendent of Highways, Al Buckland, Code Enforcement Officer, Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

Jeremy Abbey gave his report first, so they he could go and check roads for the upcoming weather conditions

Highway Supervisor report - CHIPS money forms are in and filed. Closed off Randall Road project because it's getting to be that time of year and we are going to start trimming back some to clear up the sides of the road. Got a quote to do the Hornby Hill Project, \$225,000 turnkey and go. Black top from the Town of Dix line to Chambers Road, 1.3 miles of roadway, that is the best we can really do on that. We are going to Seal over it and Barkely Road also got the quote for it from Suit-Coat, \$23,130.30 to triple coat that road, so we are not over on that side as much fixing that clay mess. We built the road up to take the triple coat and should be ready to go next year. It is holding up well. New truck in, the new Cat Loader will be here soon. Had to put a new pump on it to adjust the vibration. The loader should be here next week. Shouldn't have to worry about trans or buckets any time soon. I would like to get the old loader on Auction International to see what we can get. The old tuck will go with a plow, and the loader we can't let it go for less than \$25,000. We should just let it sit until we can get our money worth. There are \$10,000 in just tires on the loader alone. I will call Auction International in the morning to set up put them online to get bid on.

Nancy Whipple - Have you planned out a time to set up oiling and stoning some of these side roads next year, or set aside some money for it?

Jeremy - The problem this year was that it was not pre planned the year before, and by the time I knew that I won the election, I had not say in how when to get on any oil or stone company list. Also working around the rain and seeing when they could come, but they had other orders to fill.

Nancy - Are we planning to for next year?

Jeremy - We can plan it and see if we can get on their agenda. Weather permitting also.

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Nancy - Yeah, we only want them to know that the Town of Orange is wanting to be placed on their list, so we can inform residents, plan your schedule better, and try working around the weather.

Jeremy - Yeah that is what the plan is anyway. We are trying to build up the roads this year, so Suit-Coat can come oil and stone the road for us. We are trying to use the budget this year to build and next year's budget to oil and stone. If we are not really doing business with them, then we can just forget about it because they are looking at large scale clients.

Nancy - But are you budgeting in the oil?

Jeremy - Yeah, so kind of hard to budget everything coming in when the budget was already set a few weeks before the election. We will not be oiling as much because we don't have to on certain roads or not having to use as much because of what we are building up. We are doing well so far. So, people were upset about the Calcium sealer, but that was what we had at the last choice in such a short amount of time.

Mary Olin - Is there anything that can happen to the intersection Hornby and Coon Hollow? It is getting wider.

Jeremy - Not this year, we did fix a few weeks ago, and some dude came and blow donuts all over that intersection. Put those ruts in the intersection that is how that wash boarding has started there.

Mary - Do you think at some point that intersection can be made into a real intersection? If it was not so wide, would they dare to do donuts in the intersection.

Jeremy - I believe it is for the truck traffic that goes through there due to the Southern Tier Recycling. Sometimes those truck need to make wide swings.

Jeremy left after giving his report.

Public Hearing -

Cold War Exemption -

Joanne - Local Law #2 in 2009, and it ran for ten years, that is why we are here today to state the case to reinstate this local law. This new law will run for 2019 to 2029, another ten years worth of time.

Joanne - read aloud the new law from the New York State tax exemption on the Cold War Exemption. This law can be found on file with the Town Clerk. If any resident is already

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receiving this, they do not need to reapply for the exemption. The exemption only covers \$12,000 on town and county taxes only.

Joanne - added that we currently don't have an assessor for the Town of Orange, Joe was going to take the place of Vicki but was having some personal problem and will not be doing it anymore. If anyone needs anything call Real Property Tax Office.

RESOLUTION# 109

On the motion of Nancy Whipple and seconded by Rick Hendrick that the Town of Orange extend the Cold War Tax Exemption from 2019 to 2029.

ADOPTED

AYES 3

NAYS 0

Budget Hearing -

Joanne - Stayed within the tax cap, and additional funding to go over the tax cap. We tried our best to not raise taxes to much but tried to add it in areas that are needed. The whole this is just a giant guessing game. Who can predict the future? One thing we did find when doing this year budget is that we did not overpay but gave more money that was needed to Beaver Dams Fire Department in order to care for the building and ground of the Monterey Fire Department, and with what happened. There was an overpayment of \$16,500. Their contract only called for \$49,000, and they just held on to the \$16,500 for the time being. So, talking with the state auditor and see what they thought, even though they have not dealt with this before, so they had to talk with the state comptroller to see what the next actions should be. They stated that it must be shown as a prepayment to the Beaver Dams Fire Department. Beaver Dams asked for \$15,000 and something, so already having the money they will not be getting any money out of next year's budget, also that will be leaving a \$1,500 or so for the 2020 budget year towards their budget demand as a prepay. There will be a line in their contract stating that they got the money in 2018 for 2019 and 2020. Insurance went up 2%, software for Williamson is up 2%, union guys all got an increase, trying to fit in enough overtime hours to make sure they last. Really, we are looking at what are the main increase to expect, but we really can't predict the future. We have two more bond payments on the dump truck, and that will be paid for in January of 2020. We tried to cut where we can and move money around to get rid of waste of over budgeting some items that we are not using anymore. We also got \$50,449.53 sale tax check for the third quarter.

RESOLUTION# 110

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Nancy Whipple that the 2019 Budget is accepted.

ADOPTED

AYES 3

NAYS 0

Audit Bills -

RESOLUTION# 111

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On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Rick Hendrick the General Fund Vouchers on Abstract #011 in the amount of \$5,125.03 were paid.

ADOPTED                      AYES 3                      NAYS 0

RESOLUTION# 112

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison the Highway Department Vouchers on Abstract #011 in the amount of \$74,115.97

ADOPTED                      AYES 3                      NAYS 0

RESOLUTION# 113

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Nancy Whipple the Trust and Agency Vouchers on Abstract #011 in the amount of \$1,352.48

ADOPTED                      AYES 3                      NAYS 0

No Assessor Report - Call Real Property

Building Code Officer - four permits, 23 construction inspections, 29 hours, 273 miles traveled. Will be gone December 17th to January 4th.

Justice Report - September \$704.00 took in, \$279.00 will go to the State, the rest will be kept by the town.

RESOLUTION# 114

On motion of Rick Hendrick, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison to approve the Justice Report.

ADOPTED                      AYES 3                      NAYS 0

Town Clerk - 60 or so dog licenses where done. Will be attending a day seminar at the Horsehead Town Hall, for workplace safe, workplace competition, workplace violence and sexual harassment, etc. Also, I have a meeting that same afternoon with BIEL'S who will be the company that would perform the digitalization of town documents. We are meeting to come up with a final number on what needs to be copied over. December 3rd, I will be attending a seminar in Binghamton on Town Clerk fiscal responsibility, records management, and minutes keeping.

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RESOLUTION# 115

On motion of Rick Hendrick, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison to approve the Town Clerk's report.

ADOPTED                      AYES 3                      NAYS 0

Supervisor Report -

Highway Department account has a balance since September 30th is \$377,759.35, this does not include the \$24,000 from Auction International, nor does it include the \$50,000 sale tax check either. Both checks have not gone to the bank yet. Capital Reserve account has \$53,359.98, but that is where we took the \$41,000 to pay for the new pick-up truck, so that balance is down now. Trust and Agency account balanced out finally is \$7,610.66. General fund checking account \$139,682.11, we had an increase in recycling money, town clerk collections, building permits, etc. We are good so far, but this money has to last us until the end of February to March because the tax money for property taxes is not given yet.

Rich Hurley - not present

Fire Department Reports

Bradford - October was a slow month, two ambulance calls, no fires or ambulances in the Town of Orange, mutual aid Tyrone and Wayne. Our biggest thing was our gun raffle. Everything said and done we raise about \$16,000 after everything was paid. Tow breakfast going on this weekend. December we will not be having breakfast but will be doing the Christmas gifts for the children of Bradford School.

Monterey - Joanne - Mel has another meeting tonight, but he did bring in a financial report. They have hired an accountant to oversee their bank account. At the end of the year Mel will give the town a yearend report. Starting balance for September was \$49,520.25, paid monthly bills of \$2,165.25, training cost of \$585.29, Supplies of \$266.85, with an ending balance of \$46,728.33. Training account with \$947.00, a 2% account \$5,308.71. Joanne not sure what that is. Starting balance for October is \$46,728.33, with monthly bills of \$1,127.21, training is \$475, equipment and repairs are \$ 2,826.00, and supplies for fundraiser and Halloween Party is \$488.62, with an ending balance of \$41,811.50.

RESOLUTION# 116

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Rick Hendrick to approve the Fire Department Reports.

ADOPTED                      AYES 3                      NAYS 0

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New Business -

Council of Government Meeting - Joanne - Watkins Glen got a grant for \$10 Million, and they are putting \$5 Million into the sidewalks and curbs. As well as repaving the main street. The other \$5 Million is going to Clute Park, with new community center, bathrooms, paving, camp sites, etc. If they do not use all the money on the main street in Watkins, they will use the rest in Montour. CMOG glass barrage was docked in Watkins, and it got the most visited when docked there. With a total of 1,600 people stopping to see the glass blowing. Our sales tax is up 7% year to date, which is doubled from last year. Camp Monterey could be turned into a detection center for youth ages 14 to 18 years old, and will be co-ed, could know by the end of year. Tim O'hear, with the department of Probation, Children services, and department of corrections. It is a lot bigger than what they need. But the state said it would cost \$50 million to bring it up to what they want. Would oversee 11 counties in the area in taking in their missed behaved youth. According to the County the overall budget went up \$58,000, but the tax rate went down 5%. They also stated that the County lost \$30 million when that Fish concert was cancelled.

Humane Society Contract Expires -

Only big problem is that dog enumeration, last year Joanne conducted that had 235 homes do not respond to the dog census and reported that to the sheriff's department. No reply was given, and a copy was sent to the humane society and yet nothing happened again. It cost time and money to do the enumeration and the contract with the humane society says they will pay 75 cents per dog. Another thing is that the contract only last year, we should try to extend it to be longer.

NYS Sexual Harassment Training -

NIMER sent out a list of all the policies that need to be updated. Everyone who does business with the town has to go through sexual harassment training in order to work or do business with the town. This needs to be done by October 2019. If not done the town could be fined \$200 per day until they have taken the training. This includes volunteers as well, so when looking to get the park done, they too would have to have sexual harassment training.

April 20th, 2018 public hearing held on the Monterey Fire Department -

RESOLUTION# 117

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison to approve the April 20th, 2018 Public Hearing minutes.

ADOPTED

AYES 3

NAYS 0

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Mary Olin - Is there a county law on how high grass can be?

Al- 10 inches

Mary - is there any way to get a hold of someone to take care of Hanks property on the corner. Even the old store is looking bad. Is there something we can do?

Al- I'll see what I can do and see who would care for them.

RESOLUTION# 118

On motion of Rick Hendrick, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison the meeting adjourned at 7:45PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF ORANGE, DECEMBER 3, 2018

A regular board meeting of the Town of Orange was held on Monday, December 3, 2018 in the Town of Orange Town Hall at 6:30PM with the following members present.

PRESENT: Joanne Randall, Acting Supervisor  
Susan Allen, Councilwoman  
Jocelyn Harrison, Councilwoman  
Rick Hendrick, Councilman  
Nancy Whipplel, Councilwoman

OTHERS PRESENT: Al Buckland, Code Officer, Rick Hurley, Larry Baker, Norma Burris, Laurie Beem, Mary Olin, Sam Mattison, Jeremy Abbey, Highway Supervisor, Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

Nickie Cervoni - Sprague Insurance - NYMIR - went over in detail of towns insurance coverage. All town builds are insured for \$1.2 million. General liability is \$1 to \$2 million Aggregate for any coverage meaning that if more than one claim is submitted and NYMIR will pay out up to \$2 million. Product and Completed operations have a coverage of up to \$1 million. Medical expensive are at \$5,000, and this covers doctor bills in case of injury. Cyber liability, \$50,000 to investigate how that cyber-attack happened and to help make sure that it will not happen again by closing the open cyber doors and covers anyone affected by the attack. Crime coverage and thief is up to \$200,000, so if anyone is stealing money that it can be replaced, with a \$1,000 deductible. Forgery or Alteration has a \$5,000 coverage. Computer Fraud, \$200,000 coverage. Funds Transfer Fraud, \$200,000, and Money Orders and Counterfeit Money, \$5,000 coverage. All having a \$1,000 deductible. Automobile policy, Combined Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability is \$1 million. Personal Injury Protection, protects those who do not work for the town and would not be covered by workers comp. Hired Auto Liability, covers all leased vehicles the town rents up to \$1 million. Mutual Aid, coverage at \$1 million. Rental Reimbursement and Deductible Reimbursement for Officers and Directors, the claim would be submitted by their own carriers, and NYMIR would pay up to \$1,000. Public Officials Liability covers if a board member feels that something is unjust, they can sue and NYMIR would cover up to \$1 million and \$2 million in aggregate. Auto Physical Damage covers up to \$461,869, Contractor's Equipment covers up to \$436,170, and another Municipal Inland Marine covers up to \$15,000. There is also an umbrella of coverage that covers meaning that is some sued for \$2 million, \$1 million would come from general liability and the other would come from the umbrella the other \$1 million, that being said the town has \$2 million in coverage and up to \$4 million in aggregate. MYMIR does do an appraisal every seven years for building that replacement cost would be over \$100,000, and the last time this was done for the town was in 2014, so expect an appraisal in the next few years. Building coverage is broken down by location. With there being three locations in the town: Highway Garage and Salt Storage as one, Town Hall, and Equipment Storage as all three locations. It lists all the values of the builds and the contents inside. There is an added 4% in value each year for inflation cost. The cost of materials is on the rise. The schedule of vehicles is next listing all the vehicles the town owns. If the vehicle has a FLTR on it. It is covered by the Inland Marine coverage as well. If there is a number next to it, Physical Damage Liability would pick up the coverage cost like the new truck

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the town has. Next shows the Inland Marine list and all the changed was taking away a vehicle, and the total auto physical damage is \$461,869; as well as, total contractor equipment at \$436,170. Anything under \$100,000 in damage NYMIR will always pick up the damage cost for leased or rented equipment, the town would pay the rest. Last page shows the town going down 5.9% insurance cost. \$23,314.93 was paid in the year of 2018 and 2019 the town will pay \$21,930.18. This includes adding the CAT roller and the new Ford F350.

Audit Bills

RESOLUTION #119

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Rick Hendrick the General Fund Vouchers on Abstract #012 in the amount of \$5,337.91 were paid.

ADOPTED                    AYES                    4                    NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #120

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison the Highway Fund Vouchers on Abstract #012 in the amount of \$111,669.01 were paid.

ADOPTED                    AYES                    4                    NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #121

On motion of Rick Hendrick, seconded by Nancy Whipple the Trust and Agency Vouchers on Abstract #012 in the amount of \$996.48 were paid.

ADOPTED                    AYES                    4                    NAYS 0

Building Code Officer - Al Buckland - 19 inspection, 1 complaint - Trailer Park off West Lake Rd - Water has sand in it - Said they may be going to court at the end of the month. 15 hours, and 140 miles. Will be gone December 17 to January 4, gone 18 days.

Justice Report - No report

Supervisor of Highways - Jeremy Abbey - Service all the truck, two pipes put in on Hornby Hill, filled some potholes, got the new truck and loader are in, that is why our bills are all higher than normal. Need to talk with the town board about put the old truck, old loader, command center, and mini excavator on Auction International and see what we can bring in for all of that. Need just dealing with snow and ice as it comes.

Surplus items - 2006 pick-up truck, command center, 2000 loader, mini excavator

Jeremy - the loader will not be sold for anything less than \$22,000.

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RESOLUTION #122

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Nancy Whipple to place the 2006 pick-up truck, command center, 2000 loader, and mini excavator as surplus items on town inventory.

ADOPTED                      AYES                      4                      NAYS 0

Jeremy - Truck #5 is down as well. Transmission blew out again, and that is why we got a spreader for truck #1. This being the 7th transmission to be put into the truck. That truck is overloaded all the time and is always working hard to do any of our day to day jobs. Using it to blow with a spreader in the back is a large load. Chilling some of these hills trying to push is not helping either. This truck is not designed to do snow removal.

Jocelyn - When there is overtime hours, how do you decide how who gets them, do you rotate people, seniority?

Jeremy - Can't rotate because everyone is in at the time. Do have much people off the clock, I normally call everyone in. Four guys leave it hard to let one stay home. With 125 miles of lane road, it's hard to get that done with only three guys and myself, so I need all four guys in at once. Have to get the school bus out. We are lacking in man hours do to limited staffing. I may call a guy in to take care of drifting, but that is normally done by seniority. But I normally take care of the drifts myself. This ice is not helping, so having everyone on to take care of the ice buildup.

Town Clerk - Thomas Peer - Dog licensing, street lighting was committed on this last month, so placed a call with NYSEG to see when they can get out to look. Attend an educational class in Binghamton, on how to improve my knowledge. Working on the final steps of the grant for record retention, so hoping to have that wrapped up by the end of the year, so we can have some down time in the tax season. All so talking with Digital Towpath, they have increased our service agreement to include an online records management system. This is only going to increase savings in the total grant asking amount because we are not having to buy a records management system. Which could run in the price range of \$10,000 to \$15,000 with year update cost. As renewing the towns federal surplus program that would allow the town as a whole to buy and sell items on the federal surplus website. There are a lot of items that could help us improve some outdated equipment. While only paying 5% cost to buy the items.

Supervisor report - Joanne Randall - No report - computer problems or mistake with system.

RESOLUTION #123

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Rick Hendrick to approve the Highway Supervisor and Town Clerk reports.

ADOPTED                      AYES                      4                      NAYS 0

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Rich Hurley - September minutes on recycling and landfills with a report on recycling and landfills in the county, no October meeting not sure why though, and November missed the meeting, but here is the agenda, there are no minute yet.

Joanne - Heard anything more on the incinerator project?

Rich - Last heard that they could be exercising the Article 10 rule "Home Rule." By overriding the local community. Burning makes sense, but when you look at the toxic levels that come out after burning it others may think differently. Also, there being a school so close to the build site in mind, could play a factor. Side note I maybe going back to teaching again. IT is getting harder to get science teacher.

Fire Reports - No Reports

Haefele basic cable company is increasing station fees \$2.75 per month. Digital cable is going to increase \$1.50. This is a letter sent from Haefele, only passing on the charges because on increase in local station fees.

New Business -

Highway Positions MEO/HEO - Joanne - The town currently has one Heavy Equipment Operator and three Motor Equipment Operator. We are looking into adding another HEO in the Schuyler County Civil Service form and needs to be approved by the board. The board has already been presented with the differences in operators job duties. Randy McDonald is getting ready to retire for the HEO.

Jeremy - It makes it hard when there is only one HEO and with Randy taking more time off and getting ready to retire. We need to start looking into getting a new HEO or having at least two that can be rotated or used to do different projects at once. Even if the town board wants to add another HEO to be trained while Randy is still here, but after Randy leaves the town board does not need to fill Randy position. The town could just leave that slot open incase or even could just hire another person. It really depends on what the town board wants to do.

Joanne - the only problem with two HEO's is the 2019 budget is done and adding or amending it would change just about every part of it. Creating a new full-time position your looking at salary, union dues, health benefits, etc.

Susan - Just being careful with Randy and seeing if adding someone might help. One ever knows what is going to happen, so having someone else could help protect Jeremy's work projects.

Jeremy - Just getting someone in now after the paperwork is put in will only allow that person more time to learn from Randy's 20 plus years of experience. Also, it takes about 60 hour of time just to learn how the Grader works, so the sooner we can get a new HEO the better.

Joanne - okay we will table this to next month to allow the board to think about this.

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Set Year End Meeting Date - Joanne - Just so we can pay all the bills for 2018 and close up the books. How does everyone feel about a Friday night? Because Mondays for the rest of the month are Christmas Eve or New Year's Eve. Just thinking that both days are a bad idea. So, how about the 28th of December, is a Friday night at 6:00 pm.

Humane Society Contract - Joanne - We talked about this last month for a bit, and the idea is to wait and see what other towns are doing with the contract. Seeing whether the contract will be for one or two years depending on what all parties come to. I copy of the Town of Orange letter and a copy of the Town of Hector was given to the board. Those letters were set to the Humane Society. The Humane Society came in to late that all the towns in Schuyler County had their budget set for 2019, so with a big difference in how the 2019-2020 contract would look. In the summer of 2019, there will be a big meeting with all the towns and the Humane Society on a new contract. The Animal Control Officer, people of the Humane Society, all eight towns, or as many people who are all truly involved with dog licensing in the county. The Humane Society can't just wait until the last minute to file a new contract with the towns. This will be on hold until next summer, so wait until then.

Old Business -

Sexual Harassment - Joanne - New law in NYS, everyone who gets a paycheck from the Town of Orange will have to undergo a new set of sexual harassment training in order to have the most up to date training. There will be a fine of \$200 per day for any employee who does not undergo the training by next October. A copy of the law was given to the board member prior to the meeting that NYMIR sent us. There will need to be a Sexual Harassment Officer who will file complains about any and all sexual/harassment cases that the town could see. There is a form that can be filled out after said event happens and the law states what are the steps to make the case heard. NYMIR will be do a train the trainer who will be teaching the towns on the sexual harassment policy.

Privilege of Floor/Public Concerns -

Rick Hendrick - Senior lunches no one from the fire department has not been there to open the door. Could someone talk to Mel about having someone there at 10:45 am.

Mary Olin - Logging on Coon Hollow have a permit?

Thomas - only one company has reached out to me, I'll have to check and see who that was.

Mary - Landowner or Logger who gets the permit file?

Thomas - Either one can file the permit, it really doesn't matter as long as they meet what a logging permit requires.

Mary - They are logging three properties on Coon Hollow.

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Jeremy - I'll see what is going on tomorrow with the loggers and see what can be done. Plus this time of year there should not be much heavy road travel due to weather conditions. The ground not being frozen is not helping at all either.

Joanne - One more thing, the Town of Orange currently has no Assessor at this time. If anyone needs anything or knows of anyone needing anything. Please call the Real Property Tax Office down in Watkins Glen. They are working on one, but she is only there one day a week because she is still working her other job. We are just letting you know because the information on the STAR Program will be coming out soon. Please call 607-535-8118 and ask for Tom Bloodgood.

RESOLUTION #124

On motion of Rick Hendrick, seconded by Susan Allen to close the meeting at 7:44 pm.

ADOPTED                      AYES                      4                      NAYS 0

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

YEAR END MEETING, TOWN OF ORANGE, DECEMBER 28, 2018

A year end meeting was held in the Town of Orange Town Hall on Friday December 28, 2018 at 6:30PM with the following members present:

PRESENT: Joanne Randall, Acting Supervisor

Susan Allen, Councilwoman

Jocelyn Harrison, Councilwoman

Rick Hendrick, Councilman

Nancy Whipple, Councilwoman

OTHERS PRESENT: Mary Olin, Carol Rhoades, Norma Burris, Thomas Peer, Town Clerk

Joanne Randall - Welcome everyone, we are here tonight to pay off all the bills for 2018, so we are not cutting into the 2019 budget. Also, I wanted to say that we got the grant for the park. We got the official letter, but there was little information in the letter, so we will be getting more information later and will let everyone know after.

Carol Rhoades - Not sure how it happened, but we got less money than what we were asking for. We asked for \$26,000 and the State gave us \$18,546, so that is almost 25%. The idea was to have volunteer hours offset most of the town cost.

RESOLUTION #125

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Rick Hendrick the General Fund Vouchers on Abstract #013 in the amount of \$32,837.08 were paid.

ADOPTED	AYES	4	NAYS	0
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RESOLUTION #126

On motion of Susan Allen, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison the Highway Fund Vouchers on Abstract #013 in the amount of \$26,749.32 were paid.

ADOPTED	AYES	4	NAYS	0
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RESOLUTION #127

On motion of Nancy Whipple, seconded by Jocelyn Harrison the Trust & Agency Vouchers on Abstract #013 in the amount of \$1,174.48 were paid.

ADOPTED	AYES	4	NAYS	0
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Joanne - The next board meeting will be January 7th, 2019 at 6:30 pm, that being the first Monday after the start of the new year. Not sure if we will have time that night, but we will be talking about a local law on solar energy. As well as the Prior Notice Law needs to be looked at and updated according to NYMIR. Sexual Harassment, NYMIR says needs to be updated. If we can't get to them in January, then we will investigate in February. We have through NYSERDA all the recommendations for the solar law and have three other towns local laws on solar. Without regulation now it will be too late when the solar companies come in. The sexual harassment training will have to take place sometime before October of 2019. So be on the lookout or we can help plan a time to set it up. There is a lot of moving parts on this and are hoping to do all town employees or anyone who gets a town paycheck to take part. But we are waiting on word for NYSERDA on what this will all look like. They still don't know, but they are working on putting together a train the trainer. That person will train the town in the training required.

Thomas Peer- Tax bills will be going out on Monday, so be on the lookout for them. I got them late so that is why they are kind of late but having until January 31st to pay should not be a problem. I wanted to bring to highlight the \$900 that was being spent on the grant writer. That is the first part and there will be another charge of \$900 after the grant is sent in. This cost is unforeseen but is for a good cause. The saving of our town documents will only help preserve our towns history. Most documents uncovered right now are old statements that are most likely to be discarded, but it's nice to see how things have changed over time.

RESOLUTION #128

On motion of Jocelyn Harrison, seconded by Susan Allen the meeting adjourned at 6:45PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Peer, Town Clerk