

**TOWN OF DEERPARK
TOWN BOARD REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2024**

Meeting was held at Town Hall, 420 Route 209, Huguenot, New York 12746

Town Clerk Florence Santini reads Budget Public Hearing Notice

Public Comments:

Dave Ofshinsky questions the Supervisor on two-line items with possible errors under the 2024 adopted budget columns.

Supervisor Spears comments that there are two errors on these columns where data was not picked correctly. These items do not affect the bottom-line items of the 2025 Budget and will be corrected.

Dave Ofshinsky continues conversation about officer line items salaries under the police department.

Supervisor Spears clarifies some of these items.

Grace Woodard questions why the public can not see the Budget prior to the Preliminary Budget.

Supervisor Spears explains the full process leading up to the Public Hearing for the Town Budget.

Grace Woodard questions if money will be set aside for a Comprehensive Plan this year or next year. Follows with a question about hiring an ombudsman. Questions how money is decided for part time employees as well as stipends and building department inspectors' salaries.

Supervisor Spears answers Grace Woodard's questions involving the above items.

Supervisor Spears opens conversation up to board members for comments.

Art Trovei feels it is a good budget and everyone has worked hard.

Christa Hoovler speaks of unallocated fund balance and questions items on the Profit & Loss statements from October compared to the Budget line items. Supervisor Spears and Councilmember Hoovler continues conversation of these items.

Motion to move from 2025 Preliminary Budget to adopt 2025 Adopted Budget

Motion by Art Trovei 2nd by Robert Whitney

VOTES: 5 AYES: Arthur Trovei, Robert Whitney, Alan Schock, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears
MOTION CARRIED

Motion to close Public Hearing

Motion by Al Schock 2nd by Christa Hoovler

VOTES: 5 AYES: Arthur Trovei, Robert Whitney, Alan Schock, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears
MOTION CARRIED

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Invocation: Gary Spears

Pledge of Allegiance: Al Schock

Call to Order: 7:38 PM

Attendance:

Supervisor: Gary Spears

Councilpersons: Arthur Trovei, Robert Whitney, Alan Schock, Christa Hoovler

Town Clerk: Flo Santini

Attorney: Glen Plotsky

Highway Superintendent: Ray Cirulli

Additions/Deletions to Agenda:

None

Presentations/Communications:

Town Clerk, Flo Santini invites council members to the Senior Thanksgiving Dinner on Saturday, November 16th at the Senior Center.

Public Comments:

None

Department Head Reports:

Highway Superintendent Ray Cirulli reads his October 2024 Monthly Report. (Attached to Minutes)

Motion to Approve October 21, 2024 Minutes

Motion by Al Schock 2nd by Art Trovei

VOTES: 5 AYES: Arthur Trovei, Robert Whitney, Alan Schock, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

New Business:

Motion to accept resignation of DCO Martin Howard

Motion by Al Schock 2nd by Robert Whitney

VOTES: 5 AYES: Arthur Trovei, Robert Whitney, Alan Schock, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to approve hire of George Debolt as DCO per Supervisor

Motion by Al Schock 2nd by Art Trovei

VOTES: 5 AYES: Arthur Trovei, Robert Whitney, Alan Schock, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

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Discussion follows between Council members and Supervisor about the position of Dog Control Officer.

Supervisor Spears explains that the Town must provide a Certificate of Insurance for the Tax Collector to the Orange County Clerk each year before tax season.

Motion to approve Resolution #24-2024 Tax Collector Certificate of Insurance to Orange County Clerk

Motion by Christa Hoovler 2nd by Al Schock

VOTES: 5 AYES: Arthur Trovei, Robert Whitney, Alan Schock, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Old Business:

None

Bills to pay:

General Fund Abstract #17	\$225,790.24
Highway Fund Abstract #17	\$82,806.93
Total	\$308,597.17

Motion to Pay the Bills

Motion by Al Schock 2nd by Robert Whitney

VOTES: 5 AYES: Arthur Trovei, Robert Whitney, Al Schock, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Closing Comments:

Christa Hoovler: Election went well.

Al Schock: Thank you for the budget. It is a lot of work.

Art Trovei: Such a great country

Robert Whitney:

Gary Spears: Bond together as a country.

Motion to Adjourn at 7:56PM

Motion by Christa Hoovler 2nd by Robert Whitney

VOTE: 5 AYES: Arthur Trovei, Robert Whitney, Al Schock, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

Flo Santini

Florence T. Santini, Town Clerk



TOWN OF DEERPARK HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Raymond Cirulli, Highway Superintendent

October 2024 Monthly Report

In the beginning of the month, we began preparing Paradise Road for reconstruction. A few small metal culvert pipes were replaced with poly pipes and roadside ditches were opening up. Shortly thereafter, we paved our portion of the road with 2" of type 6 asphalt.

Upon completion, we paved Eddy Farm Road, a portion of Darraugh Lane, and a portion of Middleton Road. All 3 were paved with 2" of type 6 asphalt. For both roads, we were able to piggy back the Town of Tompson bid price.

Later in the month, shoulders were installed as necessary.

We re-paved several cross over pipes in the town. This took place on Brandt Road, Prospect Hill Road, Peenpack Trail (western section) Cora Rose Lane, Shin Hollow Road, and Edgewater Lane. I'd like to thank PJDPW for allowing us to use they're roller for most of the summer and for sending guys up with they're skid-steer and milling head. Milling the pavement edges of the crossovers prior to repaving makes for a much smoother finish.

Sickle bar mowing continued on the 209 corridor and one final round of weed-wacking took place on guiderails which were overgrown. Vegetation was also removed from several signs throughout the town. (3) more stop signs were replaced at intersections where the signs were becoming unreadable due to fading.

A 60' x 2' culvert pipe was replaced on Black Rock Trail. The steel pipe rotted and needed to be replaced. An excavator was required for this project due to the depth. Also, would like to say thank you to the Village of Otisville DPW for use of they're shoring box. This particular culver was very deep so we needed it to ensure the safety of our workers.

Upon completion of the pipe, the excavator was moved over to HSP where we began the parking lot expansion. During the process, the material removed was trucked over to the new football field to begin filling it in.

I have meeting early next week with John Fuller and the Town Supervisor to select an exact location and elevation for the new steel pavilion. Once the 4 corners and elevation is marked out, we will begin sub-grading and digging footings.

All of our mowers were winterized and put away.

We began riding our plow routes and filling in pot holes for the upcoming season.

(2) small trucks have been upfitted for winter. Another will be completed Friday

We picked up our used 2020 Freightliner from the Town of Franklin in Vermontville. As expected, the truck needs to TLC so our mechanic has been fitting that into his schedule in between repairs and winter preparations.

Lastly, I met with paving and resurfacing vendors both last week and this week. I have a good idea which roads will be in my 284 agreement for 2025. As I mentioned in the last meeting, the oil index is down; hopefully it stays down which will allow us to resurface more roads while staying within the budget.