

November 20th, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., the Board of Supervisors of Orwell Township met at the Orwell Township building for their regular monthly meeting with all members present.

The floor was open for public comment at 7:02 p.m. with Christine Rust and Rebecca Harkness present. Both residents came to voice their concerns of neighboring residents letting off fireworks and the health and safety of their homes and animals. Public comment time was then closed at 7:15.

After a brief discussion following public comment, Jeff Robbins made a motion to send these firework concerns to our township solicitor for his review and suggestions. Chad Cooley seconded this motion, John Strope made it unanimous, and the motion passed.

The minutes of the last monthly meeting and the budget prep meeting were read. Chad Cooley made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Jeff Robbins seconded the motion, John Strope made it unanimous, and both the minutes were approved as written. The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. Jeff Robbins made a motion to accept it as written, Chad Cooley seconded it, and John Strope made it unanimous. The treasurer's report was approved as written.

#### Road Report:

Cleaned ditches and added several loads of modified to Lovett Hill.  
Installed headwalls and flex-a-mat at Matt Dewing's driveway pipe entrance  
Cleaned up ditches on Potterville Street and Moore Road  
Laid drain tile and 18" culverts  
Graded and rolled Lovett Hill and Dehaan Rd.  
Added Cold Patch to Claire Rd.  
Pushed back cinders into shed  
Replaced a transmission line in the 14'  
Joe and John took the flagger course in Herrickville, that will be good for 3 years  
The stop sign at Bonin and Ridge Rd. needs put back in place

All bills on hand were paid.

Following the boards review, Chad Cooley made a motion to advertise that the proposed 2025 budget is ready and open for inspection. Jeff Robbins seconded this motion, John Strope made it unanimous, and the motion passed.

As its time for our annual renewal, Erie Insurance made some suggestions throughout the month. Jeff Robbins made a motion to follow the policy recommendations from Erie Insurance, accepting the Erie Secure Business proposal. Chad Cooley seconded this motion, John Strope made it unanimous, and the motion passed.

A comment form was signed showing no concerns regarding a subdivision for Tom and Eric Cook.

After some discussion, Chad Cooley made a motion to proceed with switching bank accounts to money market accounts to get the better interest rates. Jeff Robbins seconded it, John Strobe made it unanimous and the motion passed.

The broadband resolution and the Debbie Lane sign placement are still pending at this time.

It was brought to the board's attention that our tax collector position will be open at the end of the year.

Jeff Robbins made a motion to retain Christopher Jones as our township solicitor for 2025, provided he is willing. Chad Cooley seconded it, John Strobe made it unanimous, and the motion passed.

Chad Cooley made a motion to gift Ellen Robinson a card and \$50 cash as a small token of our appreciation for our cleaning service.

Meeting adjourned, 8:30 p.m.

Mia M. Beebe, Secretary/Treasurer

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