

The regular meeting of the Oswegatchie Town Board was called to order at 6:00 PM by Supervisor Nichols with the Pledge of Allegiance.

- Present: Councilman Mike Stoner
- Councilman Bruce LaRose
- Councilman Ken Wilson
- Councilwoman Lillian LaRose
- Others: Tim Tuttle, Crematory (left at 7:20 pm)
- Russ Lawrence, Code Enforcement (left at 7:30 pm)

RESOLUTION 164-2023 APPROVE NOVEMBER MINUTES

On a motion by Lillian LaRose, seconded by Ken Wilson, the following resolution was ADOPTED – Vote – Yes – All

RESOLVED to approve November minutes as presented.

**Retort Bids: received (3)

Matthews Environmental Solutions was the low bid. History of poor maintenance/repair. Discussion was held regarding Matthews just rebuilding 1 (one) retort and if not up to Town satisfaction will seek further services elsewhere. Insurance company will reimburse a portion of rebuild due to explosion.

RESOLUTION 165-2023 REBUILD 1 RETORT - MATTHEWS

On a motion by Ken Wilson, seconded by Bruce LaRose, the following resolution was ADOPTED – Vote – Yes – All

RESOLVED to accept low bid from Matthew’s Environmental Solutions for rebuild of retort unit #2, 2018 at approximately \$43,581, will move forward with 2nd retort once quality of work is inspected.

Crematory Report

Report presented. Part-time crematory operator, Tim Kelley, has started. Down 89 cases from last year thus far, hoping to be at 500 by the end of the year. Discussion held.

RESOLUTION 166-2023 ACCEPT CREMATORY REPORT

On a motion from Lillian LaRose, seconded by Mike Stoner, the following resolution was ADOPTED – Vote – Yes – All

RESOLVED to accept crematory report as presented.

**Glass Niche Bid: received (2) – only 1 was sealed.

After much discussion it was decided to move forward with 3 units as it would be more cost effective.

RESOLUTION 167-2023 GLASS NICHE – 3 UNITS - SUNSET

On a motion by Ken Wilson, seconded by Lillian LaRose, the following resolution was ADOPTED – Vote – Yes - All

RESOLVED that the Town of Oswegatchie hereby accepts the bid from Sunset Memorial & Stone, Ltd at approximately \$85,487.

RESOLUTION 168-2023

ROTH IRA – PAYROL DEDUCTION

On a motion from Bruce LaRose, seconded by Mike Stoner, the following resolution was ADOPTED – Vote – Yes – All

RESOLVED to allow payroll deduction for employees opting to participate in ROTH IRA

Code Report

Report handed out. Upstairs bathroom renovations are complete with hot water. The sink in the big hall has been replaced with a mop sink which also has hot water. Did an inspection of the roof and that looks good. Discussion held.

RESOLUTION 169-2023

ACCEPT CODE REPORT

On a motion by Lillian LaRose, seconded by Ken Wilson, the following resolution was ADOPTED – Vote – Yes – All

RESOLVED to accept the Code officer’s report.

Highway Superintendent

Absent

Supervisor

Financials provided, nothing to report.

RESOLUTION 170-2023

BUDGET MODIFICATIONS

On a motion by Ken Wilson, seconded by Mike Stoner, the following resolution was ADOPTED – Vote – Yes - All

RESOLVED to approve the following Budget Modifications:

- General Fund: \$15,488.95 from 19904.01 (*Contingency*) to 90608.01 (*Medical Insurance*)
- \$197.04 from 19904.01 (*Contingency*) to 33102.01 (*Traffic Control CE*)
- \$37.60 from 19904.01 (*Contingency*) to 14104.01 (*Town Clerk CE*)
- \$132.91 from 11104.01 (*Justice CE*) to 11104.01 (*Justice Ce (new)*)

Highway Fund: \$13,292.04 from 51302.03 (*Machinery EQ*) to 51304.03 (*Machinery CE*)

Oswegatchie Memorial: \$947.10 from 19104.11 (*Unallocated ins*) to 90608.11 (*Medical Ins*)

RESOLUTION 171-2023

SUPERVISOR TO PAY END OF YEAR BILLS

On a motion by Lillian LaRose, seconded by Bruce LaRose, the following resolution was ADOPTED – Vote – Yes - All

RESOLVED to authorize the Supervisor to pay all end-of-year bills and any necessary budget modifications, transfers.

RESOLUTION 172-2023

BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

On a motion by Lillian LaRose, seconded by Ken Wilson, the following resolution was ADOPTED - Vote – Yes – All

RESOLVED that the following bills were approved and presented to the Supervisor for payment:

Warrant #12 Vouchers numbered 1-39	General Fund	\$ 59,376.62
	Highway Townwide	85,378.03
	Highway Outside	32,859.41
	Oswegatchie	7,062.09
	Trust & Agency	13,355.10

Other Disbursements: \$0.00

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Vicki L. Thornhill, Town Clerk