

# **Village of Oriskany**

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## **Oriskany Board of Trustees**

### **Meeting Minutes for June 8, 2021**

The Village of Oriskany Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 in the back room of Oriskany Masonic Lodge #799 at 701 Utica St., Oriskany, NY to provide enough space for social distancing.

In attendance were Mayor Clifford O'Connor, Jr.; Trustees John Kasprzyk, Sean Fortnam, Paul Rieben, and Christopher Burtch; Village Treasurer Peggy Nugent; Village Clerk Alexis Albright; Police Chief Richard Zabek; Street Superintendent Brian Moulton, and Village Attorney Steve Deery, Jr.. Also in attendance was Oneida County Legislator Robert Koenig.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and was called to order by Mayor O'Connor at 7:02 p.m. The minutes for the May meeting were submitted by Clerk Alexis Albright. Trustee Rieben motioned to approve the minutes; Trustee Kasprzyk seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was submitted. Trustee Burtch made a motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Rieben. All in favor. Motion carried. The board thanked the Treasurer and the departments for sticking to the budget last year with everything going on and keeping costs low. The following reports were submitted and approved as follows:

<b>Report</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>Second</b>	<b>Result</b>
Police	Trustee Kasprzyk	Trustee Fortnam	Accepted
Fire	Trustee Burtch	Trustee Kasprzyk	Accepted
Museum	Trustee Rieben	Trustee Fortnam	Accepted
Codes	Trustee Kasprzyk	Trustee Burtch	Accepted

The mayor next addressed each trustee and department head. The Police Dept. is working with United Uniform in Syracuse for uniform needs. Their previous local supplier closed. The museum is having air conditioning trouble. The highway department will check the breakers and call a technician if needed. The highway department hired Whitestown to sweep the village streets. The village sweeper is "shot" and is no longer working.

The Fire Dept. acquired a new set of turn-out gear at a significant discount from another local department who was unable to use it. Locks have been replaced at the firehouse to better account for keys issued. The department is trying to apply for FEMA grants to replace their airpacks, which are nearing the end of their usability. The stairwell ceiling at the firehouse is leaking again. The fan hood for the upstairs kitchen is not working.

Chief Zabek would like to fill the position left vacant by the resignation of Officer Mark Morreale. Trustee Fortnam motioned to search for a part time officer, seconded by Trustee Rieben. All in favor. Motion carried.

Oneida County Legislator Bob Koenig informed the group that Oneida County has resumed quarterly disbursements of sales tax revenue. Estimates for municipal payments under the federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) are coming out but New York State, as administrator, has not dispersed any monies. If they file an extension, they have until the end of July.

Trustee Burtch said that residents on Miller Street are happy with the recent road grading and that residents in general have been very pleased with the upkeep of the park. Trustee Rieben informed the board that the village insurance has been renewed and issued. Trustee Rieben thanked the fire department and Engine #1 for their work with the motorcycle ride in memory of Bud Koss. He also thanked the highway department for their preparation of the park ahead of the Memorial Day service. The service itself went smoothly and there was no rain despite the threat from clouds. The podium was “injured” during the event and may require repair or replacement. Trustee Rieben motioned to replace the podium for \$200. The motion was seconded by Trustee Burtch and passed.

The village summer program is moving forward and is expected to begin in July. Trustee Rieben has been in talks with the school district in regards to busing, COVID procedures, etc. Other villages and towns do not seem to be hosting their programs this year.

Trustee Fortnam has no news to report. Trustee Kasprzyk said the library door is still a concern. The door is ok, but the frame needs replacement and a diverter on the roof to prevent additional water damage.

The meeting was opened to public comment and police reform discussion, but no comments were put forward. The ongoing concerns with the trash hauler transition were noted, but will hopefully be resolved soon.

The board then addressed old business. FEMA has awarded and disbursed the monies for the in-process catch basin project, but the application for the Little League repairs caused by the

same storm is still in the review process. Trustee Burtch advised to file for the extensions available. Treasurer Nugent will do so.

Proceeding to new business, the sealed paving bids were opened and read aloud:

Company	BASE BID (Lansing St. & Intersection with Miller, Main, & Marino St.)	BASE BID (Marino St.)	ADD ALTERNATE (Clinton St.)	TOTAL (BASE)	TOTAL (ALL)
Alliance Paving	\$22,274.00	\$10,885.75	\$11,658.00	\$33,159.75	\$44,817.75
Hanson Aggregates	\$24,226.20	\$11,890.70	\$9,297.20	\$36,116.90	\$45,414.10
Barrett Paving	\$30,796.84	\$17,401.42	\$13,114.94	\$48,198.26	\$61,313.20
Dolomite	\$26,381.64	\$12,906.76	\$8,427.30	\$39,288.40	\$47,715.70

A motion was made to canvas the bids for one week and meet the following Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the village office. A bid will be chosen and the summer program applications will be reviewed.

Bills were approved and signed. Trustee Burtch motioned to close the meeting at 8:01 p.m., seconded by Trustee Kasprzyk. All in favor. Motion carried. The next regular meeting of the Oriskany Board of Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, July 13, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexis W. Albright  
Oriskany Village Clerk  
July 13, 2021