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**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councilwoman Nancy Kardash  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski  
Councilman Ronald Scouten  
Councilman Charles Scott  
Supervisor Parker Snead  
Town Clerk Shelley Entwistle

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Supervisor Snead. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

**NEW BUSINESS PUBLIC:**

No comment from the public.

**NEW BUSINESS (Board):**

Nothing this month.

**OLD BUSINESS BOARD:**

Town Engineer Jack Dodson presented to the board the results of the Feasibility Study for Sewer Systems in White Lake/Long Lake, Otter Lake and Deer Spring Park. The study was funded by a grant the town received. The current approximate costs for these areas are as follows: Otter lake- \$11 million, White Lake/Long Lake- \$11.75 million and Deer Spring Park- \$4 million. Some discussion followed.

Sherry Paschke stated that she feels it would be a poor idea to eliminate the Tax Collector position. While she feels the current town clerk is capable of handling the additional responsibility, future town clerks may not be as capable. Supervisor Snead stated that the board is currently not eliminating the position. Sherry also stated she feels it was inappropriate for her office to be dismantled and her files to be stored without her approval. She inquired as to where Supervisor Snead intends to relocate her office as tax season is approaching and she legally has to be on the first floor. Supervisor Snead replied that he is willing to work with her to sort out the issue at her convenience.

John Furness of the Northern Oneida County ATV Club appeared to petition the board to open an additional section of Buck Lake Road for ATV use. The section would

consist of three miles, from the area known as “Abb's Corners” to the end of Round Lake Road. Councilman Scouten stated he has reviewed the section and supports the request.

Greg Albright spoke on behalf of Traskside Blazers Snowmobile Club, and stated the state will continue to send their funding to club in a tardy fashion. The preseason check worth 70% of state funding will likely arrive in March. This is detrimental to the snowmobile clubs as their expenses for fuel and trail maintenance have to be paid long before this. He will continue to report as the season nears.

### **ABSTRACTS:**

#### **GENERAL:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Snead to approve Abstract #10, Vouchers #699-766 in the amount of \$49,891.35. Councilwoman Kardash stated she disapproves of voucher #726 from Felt-Evans due to the inclusion of hours billed in the interest of settling a lawsuit between the White Lake Upland owners and the White Lake Shores Association. She stated she will vote No to approve this voucher.

David Ultsch of the gallery inquired as to voucher #764 for Oneida Electric. Supervisor Snead explained the Highway Superintendent and the contractors that built the highway addition are settling this issue. Mr. Ultsch also inquired as to the reason for payment to Ritter Lawn Care prior to Board Abstract approval. Supervisor Snead stated prepayment without board approval is common.

Councilman Scott inquired as to the status of the port-a-potty removal at both boat launches and Scouten field. Supervisor Snead stated they can be removed at this time. Councilwoman Kardash inquired as to the status of the WIFI at Woodgate School. Supervisor Snead stated he is working to have it shut off for the winter.

Councilwoman Kwasniewski seconded the motion to approve the abstracts.

Roll call vote:

Councilman Ronald Scouten – yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash – no  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski – yes  
Councilman Charles Scott – yes  
Supervisor Parker Snead –yes

#### **HIGHWAY:**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Kardash and seconded by Supervisor Snead to approve Abstract #10, Vouchers #290-332 in the amount of \$47,405.44. Roll call vote:

Councilman Ronald Scouten – yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash – yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski – yes

Councilman Charles Scott – yes  
Supervisor Parker Snead –yes

**HUD:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Snead and seconded by Councilman Scouten to approve Abstract #10, Voucher #2 in the amount of \$600.00. Roll call vote:

Councilman Ronald Scouten – yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash – yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski – yes  
Councilman Charles Scott – yes  
Supervisor Parker Snead –yes

**TOWN CLERK MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Snead and seconded by Councilwoman Kardash to accept the minutes from the September 17, 2014 Town Board meeting. Roll call vote:

Councilman Ronald Scouten – yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash – yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski – yes  
Councilman Charles Scott – yes  
Supervisor Parker Snead –yes

A motion was made by Supervisor Snead and seconded by Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski to accept the minutes from the September 30, 2014 Budget Workshop. Roll call vote:

Councilman Ronald Scouten – yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash – yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski – yes  
Councilman Charles Scott – yes  
Supervisor Parker Snead –yes

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT:**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Nancy Kardash and seconded by Supervisor Parker Snead to accept the Town Clerk's monthly report. Roll call vote:

Councilman Ronald Scouten – yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski – yes  
Councilman Charles Scott – yes

Supervisor Parker Snead –yes

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Snead and seconded by Councilman Scouten to approve the transfer of funds from the general fund to the sewer fund in the amount of \$5,531.49. Roll call vote:

Councilman Ronald Scouten – yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash – yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski – yes  
Councilman Charles Scott – yes  
Supervisor Parker Snead – yes

**JUSTICE REPORT:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Snead and seconded by Councilman Scott to accept the monthly Justice Report. Roll call vote:

Councilman Ronald Scouten – yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski – yes  
Councilman Charles Scott – yes  
Supervisor Parker Snead –yes

**PLANNING:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Parker Snead and seconded by Councilman Scouten to accept the Planning monthly report as presented. Roll call vote:

Councilman Ronald Scouten – yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski – yes  
Councilman Charles Scott – yes  
Supervisor Parker Snead –yes

**CODES:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Snead and seconded by Councilman Charles Scott to accept the Codes monthly report as presented. Roll call vote:

Councilman Ronald Scouten – yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes

Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski – yes  
Councilman Charles Scott – yes  
Supervisor Parker Snead –yes

**ASSESSOR'S REPORT:**

No report this month (computer issues)

**ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER'S REPORT:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Snead and seconded by Councilwoman Kardash to accept the Animal Control monthly report. Roll call vote:

Councilman Ronald Scouten – yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski – yes  
Councilman Charles Scott – yes  
Supervisor Parker Snead –yes

**RECREATION:**

Supervisor Snead reported that the Girl Scouts and members of the youth program will be holding a casting party for the haunted house on October 19, at 4:30 pm at the town hall.

**NOCOGG:**

The board reviewed the October announcements.

David Ultsch inquired as to the status of the investigation into the missing water/sewer fittings. Supervisor Snead stated the investigation is ongoing. Mr. Ultsch also asked about the status of tearing up the town hall sidewalks and replacing them with pavers. Supervisor Snead stated that there are no plans to do so at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Snead and seconded by Councilwoman Kardash to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote:

Councilman Ronald Scouten – yes  
Councilwoman Nancy Kardash - yes  
Councilwoman Joanne Kwasniewski – yes  
Councilman Charles Scott – yes  
Supervisor Parker Snead –yes

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 pm by Supervisor Snead.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Entwistle  
Forestport Town Clerk