

TOWN OF OTEGO

JUNE 10, 2015

The Town Board of the Town of Otego held a regular board meeting on Wednesday, June 10, 2015 at 5:00 pm at the Municipal Building, 3526 State Highway 7, Otego, New York. The purpose of the meeting was to audit the bills and any other business coming before the board.

The following members were present:

Joseph Hurlburt	Town Supervisor
Maryalice Brown	Town Clerk
Terry Brown	Councilperson
George Dolezel	Councilperson
Barbara Stanton	Councilperson
David Sheldon	Councilperson
JR Hurlburt	Highway Supt

Minutes

A motion was made by Terry Brown, seconded by David Sheldon, to accept the minutes of the May 13 meeting. Motion: Ayes, 0 Nays.

Supervisor's Report

Mr. Hurlburt read the Supervisor's report for May:

General Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$434,866.12
Receipts:	13,150.00
Disbursements:	<u>94,809.91</u>
Ending Balance:	\$353,214.21
General Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$ 56,688.88
Receipts:	110.47
Disbursements:	<u>8,704.04</u>
Ending Balance:	\$ 48,095.31
Highway Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$ 317,737.68
Receipts:	3,421.78
Disbursements:	<u>82,434.32</u>
Ending Balance:	\$238,725.14
Highway Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$577,600.40
Receipts:	9,779.91
Disbursements:	<u>25,570.75</u>
Ending Balance:	\$561,809.56

A motion was made by George Dolezel, seconded by Barbara Stanton, to accept this report as read.

Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

Dog Control Report

Ellen Dwyer gave her report: 3 counts of loose/stray dogs, 2 tickets issued.

Solar City

Mr. Hurlburt reported that Karen Sullivan contacted him and the place where they could hook into the NYSEG service is not large enough to handle the load, so any solar installation on the town property is not possible at this time.

County Representative

Kathy Clark could not be in attendance.

Stuart Anderson

Mr. Anderson gave the board notes of interest: he has contacted the Public Service Commission in his continuing quest for more information about the microgrid, and he had information and websites about the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) study on the impacts of fracking on drinking water

Planning Board

Mr. Butler reported that a simple lot split on the Valentino property has been approved, and work on the comprehensive plan continues.

Highway Report

Mr. Hurlburt reported that the dump box is in and will be picked up next week.

He is trying to find out the status of the FEMA mitigation money that has been approved but not yet received by the town.

There was discussion of purchasing a tub grinder to mulch yard waste that is dropped off on the town property.

A motion was made by David Sheldon, seconded by Terry Brown, to purchase a tub grinder at a cost of \$5600. This will be split with the village of Otego. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Government Efficiency Plan

There was discussion about the state government efficiency plan for local governments that was due June 1, 2015. This is a long range plan for taxpayers to receive the full value of the property tax freeze credit. It is an extensive application process and after discussion it is not believed that the credit will not amount to much for Otego taxpayers since the town has managed to stay under the two percent tax cap.

Time Warner

Mr. Hurlburt and Ms. Westfall had a 3 way phone conference with Dave Whalen from Time Warner.. Ms. Westfall reported that Time Warner agrees to all but two of the changes she proposed in a new franchise agreement. The agreement is being reviewed by their attorneys. Not known if any of this will be affected by the pending sale of Time Warner to Charter.

Code Officer

Mr. Wilber reported that there are permits being filed including a new modular home.

Hours of use for town property

There was discussion about people camping on town land overnight. There is a local law from 1992 establishing hours of use, and there are no overnights allowed. It was decided to make sure the land is posted and the police should be contacted since they would be trespassing after hours.

Warrant #6

A motion was made by Barbara Stanton, seconded by George Dolezel, to pay the warrant in the following amounts: General Fund vouchers # _____ in the amount of \$ _____.

Highway Fund vouchers # _____ in the amount of \$ _____.

Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 pm.

Maryalice Brown
Town Clerk

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_____ Councilperson

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_____ Highway Supt.