

TOWN OF OTEGOM

May 11, 2016

The Town Board of the Town of Otego held a regular board meeting on Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at 6:00 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 Barbara Stanton, seconded by Terry Brown, to accept the minutes of the April 13 meeting. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Supervisor's Report

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

General Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$439,867.32
Receipts:	13,065.55
Disbursements:	<u>46,235.17</u>
Ending Balance:	\$406,697.70
General Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$ 24,133.89
Receipts:	170.10
Disbursements:	<u>1,202.53</u>
Ending Balance:	\$ 23,101.46
Highway Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$ 400,263.28
Receipts:	7,098.15
Disbursements:	<u>61,166.48</u>
Ending Balance:	\$ 346,194.95
Highway Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$603,919.07
Receipts:	19,278.63
Disbursements:	<u>23,292.02</u>
Ending Balance:	\$ 599,905.68

A motion was made by Terry Brown, seconded by David Sheldon, to accept this report as read. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

Dog Control Report

Ellen Dwyer gave her report: 4 loose/stray dogs, 1 ticket issued, 1 dog taken to the shelter.

County Representative

Kathy Clark reported: new hires in the County Highway Dept. with the leaving of the Highway Supt.; 911 center should open next week; Soil & Water has received a \$300,000 grant; the state passed a raise for judges; the draft strategic plan has been received and will be on the county website soon.

Karen Beckley

Ms. Beckley was in attendance to let the board know that she would like to plan some events to bring the community together, probably doing something fun and social in the Fall. She wanted to know if there were any permits necessary under town law. There are none but she should also be in contact with the Village.

Alumni Association

Dick Downey reported that a Unatego Alumni Association is reforming and planning some fund raising events. There are plans to hold an alumni reunion in Wells Bridge for all alumni with special recognition of the class of 1986.

Planning Board

Kate Lawrence reported that Part II of the Comprehensive Plan is on the town website and a hearing will be held on June 21 at 6:00 pm.

Board members have been attending various trainings.

Code Officer

Dan Wilber has received 5 permit applications to start the coming building season.

Highway Report

Mr. Hurlburt reported that work is progressing on Chamberlain Hill Rd.

He has been issued a nuisance beaver permit by DEC to trap and remove beavers that plug town culverts and other right of way areas.

Mr. Hurlburt has taken a DEC permitting class and learned many things.

There was a Mine Safety Inspection, violations are being addressed.

Municipal Sign

No new action.

Employee Handbook

The Board will meet Wed. June 1 at 6:00 pm to review updates, especially to the vacation policy, and hopefully finalize the revised handbook.

Solar/Wind Energy Exemption

Beth Westfall, town attorney, has drawn up a sample payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) agreement and has given it to Mario Arevalo, town assessor, for his input. She will have a resolution for the board to consider that will set up classifications of properties to determine who is required to do a PILOT.

Destruction of Records

The town clerk notified the board of the records that she has set aside to be destroyed, see attached. A motion was made by George Dolezel, seconded by David Sheldon, to approve this listing.

Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Fire Extinguishers

The town clerk will contact area companies to get estimates on servicing the town's extinguishers.

Warrant #5

A motion was made by George Dolezel, seconded by Terry Brown, 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 Nay

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Maryalice Brown
Town Clerk

_____ Town Supervisor _____ Town Clerk

_____ Councilperson _____ Councilperson

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_____ Highway Supt.