

TOWN OF OTEGO

November 12, 2014

The Town Board of the Town of Otego held a regular board meeting on Wednesday, November 12, 2014 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	Supervisor
Maryalice Brown	Town Clerk
Terry Brown	Councilperson
Barbara Stanton	Councilperson
David Sheldon	Councilperson
George Dolezel	Councilperson
JR Hurlburt	Highway Supt

Minutes

A motion was made by George Dolezel, seconded by Barbara Stanton, to accept the minutes of the October 8 meeting. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

A motion was made by Terry Brown, seconded by Barbara Stanton, to accept the minutes of the October 15 meeting. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

A motion was made by David Sheldon, seconded by Barbara Stanton, to approve the minutes of the October 22 meeting with the correction that Mr. Brown was not in attendance. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

A motion was made by George Dolezel, seconded by David Sheldon, to approve the minutes of the November 5 meeting. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Supervisor's Report

Mr. Hurlburt gave the supervisor's report for October:

General Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$324,710.23
Receipts:	19,468.37
Disbursements:	<u>19,694.45</u>
Ending Balance:	\$324,484.15
General Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$ 9,083.60
Receipts:	3,575.09
Disbursements:	<u>1,270.96</u>
Ending Balance:	\$ 11,387.73
Highway Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$323,997.99
Receipts:	.54
Disbursements:	<u>38,495.32</u>
Ending Balance:	\$285,503.21
Highway Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$346,097.92
Receipts:	39,469.80
Disbursements:	<u>45,508.90</u>
Ending Balance:	\$340,058.82

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

Dog Control Report

Ellen Dwyer reported five loose/stray dogs and one dog taken to the shelter.

County Representative

Not in attendance.

Climate Smart Communities

Stuart Anderson addressed the board. At the September meeting the board decided not to participate in Climate Smart Communities, stating that it is not necessary to be part of the group to deal with energy and climate issues.

Mr. Anderson gave the board a list of informational and funding opportunities that the town would be eligible to participate in and asked if anyone on the board has looked into any of these opportunities. These are training programs, technical assistance, financing opportunities, etc. that have been posted on the internet.

After some discussion, it was decided that the town clerk will forward to the board members information that she receives from Mr. Anderson and also information that she receives from some state agencies.

2015 Town Budget

A motion was made by Barbara Stanton, seconded by David Sheldon, to adopt the 2015 preliminary budget as the final budget for 2014. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

Code Officer

Dan Wilber reported that there will be a public hearing Dec. 1 for a variance on the Whelan garage on State Hwy. 7.

Planning Board

A motion was made by Terry Brown, seconded by George Dolezel, to appoint Roberto Romano, to a five year term on the Planning Board. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Elizabeth Callahan gave a report for the planning board: the board has received a sketch plan for a minor subdivision on the Hewlett property; work on the comprehensive plan is continuing; there has been discussion of keeping track of the training that is required for board members.

Highway Report

Mr. Hurlburt reported on the road work completed and sand stockpiled for the winter.

Mr. Hurlburt has gotten prices for a dump box. He got prices for an Airflow and Everest. The Airflow price was higher and the Everest, under county contract, is \$40,067.25.

A motion was made by David Sheldon, seconded by Terry Brown, to approve the expenditure of up to \$40,100 from a highway equipment reserve fund for the purchase of an Everest dump box/spreader, subject to permissive referendum. The purchase was not subject to competitive bidding because the Town is piggybacking on a bid from Onondaga County. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Budget Note Renewal

The following resolution authorizing the renewal of a budget note in the original amount of \$300,000 with the renewal not to exceed \$132,000 was put forward by David Sheldon, seconded by George Dolezel:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Otego, by resolution dated November 13, 2013, authorized the issuance of up to \$300,000.00 in a budget note ("the Budget Note") which is being issued to pay for costs and payments required in connection with the repair and replacement of Upper Green Street Bridge; and

WHEREAS, said Budget Note was issued on December 20, 2013, and matures on December 19, 2014; and

WHEREAS, said Budget Note was issued in anticipation of reimbursement from the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") and/or the New York State Office of Emergency Management ("OEM"), and payment from FEMA and/or OEM is anticipated, but has not yet been received; and

WHEREAS, the outstanding principal balance due on the Budget Note as of November 1, 2014 is \$132,764.47; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 29.00(j) of the Local Finance Law, said Budget Note may be renewed, provided it matures not later than the close of the second fiscal year succeeding the fiscal year in which the original budget note was issued, and it is the desire of the Town Board to renew the Budget Note,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 12th day of November, 2014, as follows:

Section 1. The Renewal of the Budget Note until December 19, 2015, in an amount not exceeding \$132,000.00 is hereby authorized.

Section 2. The renewal budget note ("the Budget Note Renewal") shall be dated December 20, 2014, and shall mature on December 19, 2015.

Section 3. The Budget Note (Renewal) shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding 3.20% per year.

Section 4. The Budget Note (Renewal) shall include the privilege of prepayment at any time without penalty, upon ten (10) days advance written notice to the lender.

Section 5. The faith and credit of the Town shall be pledged for the punctual payment of the principal of and interest due on the Budget Note (Renewal) as the same shall become due and payable.

Section 6. The validity of the Budget Note (Renewal) may be contested on if:
1. Such obligation is authorized for an object or purpose for which the Town is not authorized to expend money, or
2. Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Section 7. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Warrant 11

A motion was made by Terry Brown, 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 6:50 pm.

Maryalice Brown
Town Clerk

_____ Town Supervisor

_____ Town Clerk

_____ Councilperson

_____ Councilperson _____ Councilperson

_____ Councilperson _____ Hwy Supt.