

## TOWN OF OTEGO

December 12, 2012

The Town Board of the Town of Otego held a regular board meeting on Wednesday, December 12, 2012 at 7:00 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  
JR Hurlburt Highway Supt

### Minutes

A motion was made by David Sheldon, seconded by Terry Brown, to accept the minutes of the November 14 meeting. Motion: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays.

### Supervisor's Report

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

General Fund townwide beginning balance: \$285,745.92  
Receipts: 43,194.76  
Disbursements: 33,773.49  
Ending Balance: \$295,003.45

General Fund outside village beginning balance: \$ 10,925.25  
Receipts: 686.69  
Disbursements: 1,081.80 Ending Balance: \$ 10,530.14

Highway Fund townwide beginning balance: \$271,145.49  
Receipts: 477.20  
Disbursements: 61,318.15  
Ending Balance: \$210,304.54

Highway Fund outside village beginning balance: \$355,372.85  
Receipts: .37  
Disbursements: 120,162.48  
Ending Balance: \$235,210.74

A motion was made by Barbara Stanton, seconded by David Sheldon, to accept this report with any correction to the General Fund receipts beginning balance as necessary. Motion: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

### Dog Control Report

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

### County Representative

Kathy Clark reported that the county has passed the budget for 2013, but mandates account for over 90% of the taxes. There will soon be cuts in services to stay under the 2% tax cap.

### Moratorium

Kathy Davis questioned the expenses for the comprehensive plan survey and the moratorium law. She feels that the expense for the survey should be a town expense and not a cost to the village taxpayers since they have their own planning board. It didn't matter to her who was surveyed, she questioned who should be paying for it. Also, she does not think the village taxpayers should have to pay for any possible legal costs that may result from a moratorium law. The board received a letter from Glenn Seroka concerning the moratorium

### Planning Board

Mr. Hurlburt has checked into the number who can serve on the planning board. It could be increased to a seven member board by local law. There was discussion about keeping these volunteer positions filled for a seven year term.

There was also discussion about merging the town and village planning and zoning boards.

The recently hired secretary has resigned. The opening has been posted on the town website and an ad will be put in the newspaper.

### Moratorium Law

The moratorium law will be renumbered to Local Law #1 of 2013.

A motion was made by Terry Brown, seconded by David Sheldon, to hold a public hearing on Local law #1 of 2013 on Wednesday, January 23, 2013 at 6:00 pm at the municipal building.

Motion: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays.

### Mohawk Valley Economic Development District

Stuart Anderson submitted a report to the board about the MV Econ. Dev. District. The focus of the workshop he attended had to do with regional sustainability.

### Code Officer

Mr. Bruni reported that he has issued septic permits and has done some fire inspections.

He submitted a revised permit fee scheduled to the board for action at the January 2013 meeting.

### Highway Report

Mr. Hurlburt reported that the town has received the mining permit which is good for five years.

The town has received the permit from FEMA for the Green St. bridge replacement. Mr. Hurlburt will contact some engineering firms with request for proposals.

The bid specs for a new truck may be bought under county contract which is only good through the end of 2012. Cost will be \$191,367.00.

A motion was made by David Sheldon, seconded by Terry Brown, to spend up to \$192,000.00 from the equipment capital reserve fund for a new truck and equipment.

Motion: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays. This motion is subject to a permissive referendum.

### Zoning Law

Still pending.

Time Warner Franchise  
Still pending.

Farone Rd. resolution  
No action to date. The town attorney and highway superintendent will meet this coming month.

Snow and Ice Agreement  
A motion was made by David Sheldon, seconded by Barbara Stanton, to have the town supervisor sign the attached three year snow and ice agreement with the county.  
Motion: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays.

eWaste Alliance.  
The town clerk gave information to the town board about the eWaste alliance that recycles electronics. It would be something that could be collected in the spring when we collect tires and white goods. There is no cost to the town but it would have to be monitored by the town. It was decided to contact them in the new year when the collection is held.

Warrant 12  
A motion was made by Terry Brown, seconded by David Sheldon, to pay the warrant in the following amounts: General Fund vouchers # \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. Highway Fund vouchers # \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.  
Motion: 4 Ayes, 0 Nays

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Maryalice Brown  
Town Clerk

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