

TOWN OF OTEGO

December 11, 2024

The Town Board of the Town of Otego held a regular board meeting on Wednesday, December 11, 2024 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
Terri Horan	Town Clerk
Barbara Stanton	Councilperson
Terry Brown	Councilperson
Royce Livingston	Councilperson
Jimmy Hamm	Councilperson
JR Hurlburt	Highway Supt.

Minutes

A motion was made by Royce Livingston, seconded by Terry Brown, to accept the minutes of the November 13th meeting with changes. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Supervisor's Report

Mr. Hurlburt read the Supervisor's report for the month of November:

General Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$636,603.63
Receipts:	42,099.23
Disbursements:	<u>25,290.42</u>
Ending Balance:	\$653,412.44
General Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$ 44,249.66
Receipts:	5.33
Disbursements:	<u>1,026.15</u>
Ending Balance:	\$ 43,228.84
Highway Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$824,632.92
Receipts:	999.61
Disbursements:	<u>29,778.56</u>
Ending Balance:	\$795,853.97
Highway Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$878,003.09
Receipts:	26,145.85
Disbursements:	<u>34,288.74</u>
Ending Balance:	\$869,860.20

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

Dog Control Officer

DCO Amy Cross Dog Report read by Mrs. Horan. November 6: Dog barking complaint, followed up with resident. November 12: Running dog, picked up and transported to DVHS. A follow-up was made on two dangerous dogs on the Town of Otego list that have not been licensed in two years, the investigation is still undergoing. Delinquent dog owners from November have been called. Finally, the DCO attended the yearly 2-day NYS Ag and Markets Seminars. The cost was been shared by all five towns the DCO currently covers.

Town Clerk

Terri Horan presented the Town Clerk report for the month of November.

Code Officer

Not in attendance.

County Representative

Rick Brockway mentioned that NYS Police requested night patrols in Cooperstown as they are unable to cover them. Money was added back in budget to take care of these extra patrols.

Highway Report/Bulldozer Status

The highway superintendent stated the Secor Road bridge has undergone repairs but that the guardrail system for the damaged side still needs to be updated to current code standards. Estimates on

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for this repair are expensive, almost \$20,000. Our lawyer is working on potential solutions. Also, a new ad for highway driver needs to be placed in the Daily Star as the town has gone without a replacement driver for over 8 months. JR will write up an ad and the town clerk will get estimates from the Daily Star.

Planning Board

Lois confirmed that there are going to be two actions at December’s planning board meeting. Also, training options to complete 2024 requirements are being pushed. Finally, Harry Martin is retiring as of the December meeting. The Town Board of Otego would like to thank him for his service to our community.

Judges Audit

The judges have sent a request to the town to schedule the annual Judges Audit. Jimmy Hamm will meet with the judges and Supervisor Hurlburt requested a date be set at the January Board Meeting.

Shared Highway Services Agreement

The board will discuss the agreement at the January board meeting as the document is currently still a draft.

Warrant #12

A motion was made by Terry Brown, seconded by Jimmy Hamm, to pay the warrant in the following amounts: General Fund vouchers 232-252 in the amount of \$89,350.17, Highway Fund vouchers #121 – 137 in the amount of \$76,122.72,4 Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

A motion was made by Royce Livingston, seconded by Terry Brown, to adjourn the meeting. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Horan
Town Clerk

_____ Town Supervisor

_____ Town Clerk

_____ Councilperson

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_____ Highway Supt.