

TOWN OF OTEGO
MAY 15, 2019

The Town Board of the Town of Otego held a regular board meeting on Wednesday, May 15, 2019 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
Barbara Stanton	Councilperson
David Sheldon	Councilperson
Terry Brown	Councilperson
Royce Livingston	Councilperson
JR Hurlburt	Highway Supt.

Minutes

A motion was made by Terry Brown, seconded by David Sheldon, to accept the minutes of the April 10th meeting. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Supervisor's Report

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

General Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$539,751.56
Receipts:	10,770.35
Disbursements:	<u>48,482.53</u>
Ending balance:	\$502,039.38
General Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$ 31,043.34
Receipts:	118.24
Disbursements:	<u>1,260.64</u>
Ending balance:	\$ 29,900.94
Highway Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$544,166.59
Receipts:	42,309.41
Disbursements:	<u>30,750.35</u>
Ending balance:	\$555,725.65
Highway Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$797,861.76
Receipts:	11,031.92
Disbursements:	<u>0.00</u>
Ending balance:	\$808,893.68

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

Ellen Dwyer gave the dog report for April: 6 reports of loose/stray dogs; 1 warning issued; 1 unverified/unable to catch; 4 dogs taken to the shelter; 4 bark complaints with 2 tickets issued; 1 bite; 1 cat.

Town Clerk Report

Mrs. Stanton read the report in the town clerk's absence. Tax collection was completed on May 1st with 84.83% collected for a total of \$1,512,132.96.

County Representative

Not in attendance.

Code Officer

Mr. Wilber reported that there are many building projects underway.

Highway Report

Clean-up Day on May 11th went well. Mr. Hurlburt reported on the progress of ditching on Calder Hill Road. The highway department will be preparing Secor Road for paving in the near future.

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The Supervisor recommended that the municipal building parking lot be repaved. Mr. Hurlburt has gotten quotes. The town attorney said that if the project cost is under \$20,000, then bids are not necessary.

A motion was made by David Sheldon, seconded by Royce Livingston, to have the highway superintendent proceed with getting the parking lot of the municipal building paved if the cost will be under \$20,000. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

The town board gave Mr. Hurlburt permission to trim the tree closest to the town sign for improved visibility of the sign.

Planning Board

Ms. Westfall will be attending the next meeting on May 21st. Lois Chernin reminded her that a training session is to be provided.

The planning board did not reach a decision on the Escobar property request. The town attorney has given Mr. Escobar a rezoning application, to change his property from R3 to R1, and SEQR paperwork to be filled out. Once this is received by the Town Clerk and reviewed by the Code Officer, then a public hearing will be scheduled.

Mr. Wilber believes now would be the best time to fine tune the zoning to match the revised comprehensive plan.

A motion was made by David Sheldon, seconded by Royce Livingston, to have a public hearing on the zoning change for the Escobar property on Secor Road scheduled for June 12th at 5:30 pm. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Intermunicipal Agreement

The Town of Laurens would like to renew the Intermunicipal Cooperation Agreement between their town and the Town of Otego.

A motion was made by David Sheldon, seconded by Terry Brown, to adopt the 5 year agreement between the Town of Otego and the Town of Laurens beginning January 1, 2020. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

NYS Standard Workday Resolution

A motion was made by Barbara Stanton, seconded by Terry Brown to adopt the revised Standard Workday Resolution. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

ZBA Vacancy

There has been no response to the notice on the town sign nor to the announcement on the town website. The town board now advises an advertisement be put in the newspaper.

School Land Update

The deed on the school property is ready, but waiting for the village to file the paperwork. They failed to submit this within the 60 day period, so it will now have to wait until the next village board meeting.

Youth Rec Update

Ms. Westfall presented the revised agreement for the use of the Otego pool by the Unadilla Daycare. Mrs. Stanton and Mr. Livingston will take it to the Youth Recreation Committee for approval.

New Business

Mr. Hurlburt read a memorandum from Karen Sullivan with Otsego County Planning. A feasibility study for economic development of the I88 corridor is going to be done. The county is asking any towns that could be affected to submit input/comments by June 3rd.

Warrant #5

A motion was made by Barbara Stanton, seconded by Terry Brown, to pay the warrant in the following amounts, with the correction on the insurance voucher of an additional \$.50:

General Fund vouchers # _____ in the amount of \$ _____.
Highway Fund vouchers # _____ in the amount of \$ _____. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teresa Sears / Barbara Stanton
Town Clerk / Councilperson

_____ Town Supervisor

_____ Councilperson

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_____ Highway Supt.