

**TOWN OF OTEGO**

**October 26, 2022**

The Town Board of the Town of Otego held a public hearing on Wednesday, October 26, 2022 at 6:00 pm at the Municipal Building, 3526 State Highway 7, Otego, New York. The purpose of the meeting was to conduct a public hearing on the 2023 Town Budget.

The following members were present:

Joseph Hurlburt	Town Supervisor
Terri Horan	Town Clerk
Terry Brown	Councilperson
Barbara Stanton	Councilperson
Royce Livingston	Councilperson
Jimmy Hamm	Councilperson
JR Hurlburt	Highway Supt.

Also in attendance: Jim Hurlburt, Kevin Stanton, Beth Westfall, Tom Kolberg, and Katharine Davis

The public hearing was opened at 6:02 pm.

The board completed the compilation of the 2023 Town of Otego Budget. Kathy Davis, Court Clerk, approached the board about a salary increase above what is entered in the Preliminary 2023 Otego Town Budget. Justice Kolberg expressed his support of the request.

A motion was made by Royce Livingston, seconded by Terry Brown to adjourn the public hearing, and schedule a third budget workshop for November 1, 2022 at 5:30 pm to address the issue.

Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Terry Brown, seconded by Royce Livingston, to enter into executive session to discuss a personnel matter. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Enter executive session: 6:20 pm

A motion was made by Terry Brown, seconded by Royce Livingston, to exit executive session. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Exit executive session: 6:38 pm

A motion was made by Terry Brown, seconded by Barbara Stanton, to reenter regular session at 6:40 pm. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

ARPA Stipend

The Town Board authorizes a one-time stipend to Town employees, in recognition of their dedicated work throughout the pandemic, to be paid from ARPA funds, as follows: \$1,000 to each full-time highway employee (excluding the recent hire), \$500 to the Court Clerk and \$100 to the cleaner.

A motion was made by Royce Livingston, seconded by Barbara Stanton to approve the distribution of the one-time stipend as noted. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

A motion was made by Terry Brown, seconded by Royce Livingston, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Horan  
Town Clerk

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