

TOWN OF OTEGO
September 13, 2023

The Town Board of the Town of Otego held a regular board meeting on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 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 cover 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 Terry Brown, seconded by Barbara Stanton, to accept the minutes of the August 9th meeting. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Supervisor's Report

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

General Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$708,409.46
Receipts:	9,189.73
Disbursements:	<u>33,035.62</u>
Ending Balance:	\$684,563.57
General Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$ 37,466.12
Receipts:	4.64
Disbursements:	<u>1,164.77</u>
Ending Balance:	\$ 36,305.99
Highway Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$795,197.34
Receipts:	1,280.85
Disbursements:	<u>6,299.63</u>
Ending Balance:	\$790,178.56
Highway Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$1,035,303.38
Receipts:	20,213.41
Disbursements:	<u>162,167.67</u>
Ending Balance:	\$ 893,349.12

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

Dog Control Officer

Ms. Dwyer gave the dog report for August 9—September 13th. There was 1 report of lost, out of the area dog. Also, 1 barking complaint, one dead animal, and 1 dangerous dog complaint with hearing to be held tomorrow night.

Town Clerk Report

Terri Horan presented the Town Clerk monthly report for August.

County Representative

The county is handing out Strategic Planning Surveys which can be completed online or from copies given to the Town Clerk. They require no names, just a zip code. They are intended to help guide people as to what businesses are needed in Otsego County and where to go to get services and goods.

Code Officer

Permit applications are up and projects are moving along with two permitted garages and one housing permit in the works.

Highway Report

The old town backhoe was put into International Online Auctions and received a final bid of \$20,000. A motion was made by Royce Livingston, seconded by Jimmy Hamm to accept this offer. All in Favor 5, 0 Nays. This money will be earmarked for Equipment funds A and/or B. Also, the town has been hot mix paving certain areas of roads in the town and there is now a new road into the gravel bank.

Justice Court Grant

The following resolution/motion was put forward by Barbara Stanton, seconded by Royce Livingston:

WHEREAS, the Otego Town Court is a local court processing traffic cases, criminal cases, and civil cases per year, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to maintain the court facility in good working order and to maintain security,

THEREFORE, the Otego Town Board authorizes the Town Court to apply for a Justice Court Assistance Grant in the 2023-2024 grant cycle.

Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Planning Board

The planning board has approved a boundary line adjustment and a homeowner occupation (baked goods) request.

The zoning commission is one third of the way through reviewing the rough draft zoning consolidation document.

Budget Workshop

The initial budget workshop will take place on Wednesday, September 20th at 5:00 pm at the Municipal Building in Otego. Mrs. Horan will confirm these dates with the bookkeeper.

MVP Renewal

Following an email from MVP Representative Kevin Morse, the board has decided to have a meeting with Mr. Morse prior to continuation of coverage.

A motion was made by Royce Livingston, seconded by Barbara Stanton, to approve renewal of health care coverage with MVP if decided at the meeting. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays

Mrs. Horan will get the contract filled out, signed by the town supervisor and returned to Mr. Morse.

Dog Control Officer

After reviewing Ms. Cross's application, the board has decided to interview her for the position. Terry Brown, Royce Livingston and Ellen Dwyer will conduct the interview. Mrs. Horan will set up the time and date.

Warrant #9

A motion was made by Terry Brown, seconded by Royce Livingston, to pay the warrant in the following amounts: General Fund vouchers # 173--194 in the amount of \$33,952.13. Highway Fund vouchers # 96-104 in the amount of \$19,284.23. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nay

A motion was made by Royce Livingston, seconded by Barbara Stanton, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Meeting adjourned at 6.55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terri Horan
Town Clerk

_____ Town Supervisor

_____ Town Clerk

_____ Councilperson

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_____ Highway Supt.