

TOWN OF OTEGO

June 10, 2026

The Town Board of the Town of Otego held a regular board meeting on Wednesday, June 10, 2026 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 Supervisor

Visitors: Dick Downey

Minutes

A motion was made by Royce Livingston, seconded by Jimmy Hamm, to accept the minutes of the May 13th meeting. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Supervisor's Report

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

General Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$858,891.78
Receipts:	4,470.78
Disbursements:	<u>71,961.32</u>
Ending Balance:	\$791,401.24

General Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$ 56,292.90
Receipts:	7.05
Disbursements:	<u>1,113.28</u>
Ending Balance:	\$ 55,186.67

Highway Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$902,792.64
Receipts:	1,008.42
Disbursements:	<u>26,225.86</u>
Ending Balance:	\$877,575.20

Highway Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$1,315,080.59
Receipts:	20,198.95
Disbursements:	<u>33,893.36</u>
Ending Balance:	\$1,301,386.18

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

Dog Control Officer

Mrs. Horan read the May DCO Report from Amy Cross. May 7 a lost dog report was received. Dog not found. On May 8 there was a welfare check of dog tied out on Main St. Dog was fine – has housing, food and water. May 24 lost micro-chipped dog found, unable to identify because micro-chip info not up to date. Dog transported to DVHS to track owner. May 30 report of dog running loose, visited. No one answered door, all dogs were inside. May delinquent dog owners were called.

Town Clerk Report

Terri Horan read the town clerk monthly report for May. She also read the annual tax collector report for 2026.

County Representative

Mr. Brockway notified the town that Hazardous Waste Days are set for August 14 (Unadilla) and August 15 (Cooperstown). Details may be obtained at the Otego Town Hall or website: https://www.otsegocountyny.gov/departments/s-y/solid_waste/household_hazardous_waste_day.php

Code Officer

Dan Wilber presented his retirement resignation tentatively for August 31, 2026.

Highway Report

The highway supervisor reported there is an area on Mill Creek that has slab wood and vehicles in the road or next to the road making vehicle passage hazardous. Code Enforcement Officer Dan Willber has agreed to look into the matter. The highway superintendent also stated the CHIPs funding has passed and will help pay for the new excavator expected to be delivered soon.

Planning Board

Lois informed the board that the first zoning document will be available for review by the board in August. It will then be turned over to the county for their review.

Old Business

The Otego Food Pantry, in its letter dated 5/19/2026 requested that the Otego Town Board vote on the following two questions:

On the first question, whether the Board would approve the use of public funds for a driveway and parking area for access to your proposed food pantry, the Board voted unanimously not to approve that request. 0 Ayes, 5 Nays.

On the second question, whether the Board would submit a CDBG grant application to request funding for a driveway and parking improvements for a proposed food pantry, the Board also voted unanimously not to do so. 0 Ayes, 5 Nays

The results of the vote will be sent to the Food Pantry via email.

New Business

The town received notice that Daniel Wilber will be retiring at the end of August 2026. The town will form a committee to replace him immediately and he has volunteered to help with the process.

Dick Downey noted he has an issue with the creek bordering his property turning it into a swamp. He would like to know if a portion of it can be diverted away from the lawn. JR will make an appointment with him to check out the situation to see if there is an acceptable solution.

Warrant #6

A motion was made by Terry Brown, seconded by Royce Livingston, to pay the warrant, in the following amounts: General Fund vouchers # 123-143 in the amount of \$ 19,610.24. Highway Fund vouchers # 61-67 in the amount of \$10,252.98. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Terri Horan, Town Clerk

_____ Town Supervisor

_____ Town Clerk

_____ Councilperson

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_____ Highway Supervisor

