

TOWN OF OTEGO

October 8, 2025

The Town Board of the Town of Otego held a public hearing and regular meeting on Wednesday, October 8, 2025 at 6:00 pm at the Municipal Building, 3526 State Highway 7, Otego, New York to conduct a public hearing on the 2026 Town Budget and the regular monthly meeting 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
Terry Brown	Councilperson
Barbara Stanton	Councilperson
Royce Livingston	Councilperson
Jimmy Hamm	Councilperson
JR Hurlburt	Highway Supt

The public hearing was opened at 6:00 pm.

The board completed the compilation of the 2026 budget. There were no other visitors in attendance and no discussion, questions or comments on the proposed 2026 Town of Otego budget. A motion was made by Barbara Stanton, seconded by Royce Livingston, to adjourn the public hearing. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. The public hearing was closed at 6:15 pm.

A motion was made by Terry Brown, seconded by Royce Livingston, to enter a regular meeting to vote on the preliminary budget. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Regular meeting opened at 6:15 pm.

A motion was made by Barbara Stanton seconded by Jimmy Hamm, to adopt the preliminary budget as the final budget for 2026. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Minutes

A motion was made by Barbara Stanton, seconded by Jimmy Hamm, to accept the minutes of the September 10th meeting. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

A motion was made by Terry Brown, seconded by Royce Livingston, to accept the minutes of the September 29th meeting with the deletion of the “and lawyer”. Motion: 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Supervisor’s Report

Mr. Hurlburt read the Supervisor’s report for September:

General Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$723,150.32
Receipts:	32,334.75
Disbursements	<u>55,697.79</u>
Ending Balance:	\$699,787.28
General Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$ 45,747.39
Receipts:	110.51
Disbursements:	<u>1,052.60</u>
Ending Balance:	\$ 44,805.30
Highway Fund townwide beginning balance:	\$978,134.16
Receipts:	924.59
Disbursements:	<u>20,439.85</u>
Ending Balance:	\$958,618.90
Highway Fund outside village beginning balance:	\$1,107,508.78
Receipts:	21,356.09
Disbursements:	<u>78,177.00</u>
Ending Balance:	\$1,050,687.87

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

DCO Amy Cross report read by Mrs. Horan. 9/1 Report of dogs running Mill Creek Road, unable to find. 9/3 -9/4 Sheriff calls for assistance on River St. Dogs loose and running through neighbor's yard. Neighbor not home – left message at house. 9/5 Baby goats running road on County Rte. 6 and 7. Helped return them to fencing. 9/15 2 dogs found on property, go to residence – owner shows up to retrieve them. 9/24 and 9/ 25 Churchhill Road - Calls for cruelty to dog, tied out at neighbors all the time. No dog at first visit, second visit dog is tied out but friendly and appears well fed. Left note for owners that were not home. Called delinquent dog owners.

Town Clerk Report

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

Zoning Report

Mr. Wilber reported he has been busy with inspections and also that the cease-and-desist order on County Route 48 has been remedied.

Highway Report

Mr. Hurlburt reported he had several inspections this week. OSHA made a surprise inspection, the town supervisor and the highway superintendent accompanied the NYMIR insurance inspector and there was also a mine inspection. In other news the new snowplow truck should be delivered next Tuesday.

New Business

Joe Hurlburt reported that he is actively looking for quotes for a building generator in case the power goes out. Kathy Davis has mentioned that JCAP funds may be available to cover part of the cost.

Warrant #10

A motion was made by Royce Livingston, seconded by Terry Brown, to pay the warrant in the following amounts: General Fund vouchers # 182-199 in the amount of \$ 31,661.24. Highway Fund vouchers # 103-111 in the amount of \$ 51,600.53.

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 7:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Horan
Town Clerk

_____ Town Supervisor

_____ Town Clerk

_____ Councilperson

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_____ Highway Supt.