

**OTSEGO LAKE TOWNSHIP
MINUTES, OCTOBER 20, 2011**

The regular monthly meeting of the Otsego Lake Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Wagar with the Pledge of Allegiance. All board members present and six audience members.

CLERKS REPORT

A motion was made by Baker to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Seconded by Brown, motion carried. A motion was made by Jacobs to pay bills for the General Fund in the amount of \$16,424.78, Fire Fund \$7,208.68 and Trash Fund of \$15,157.56. Seconded by Baker, motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT

GENERAL FUND

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| Beginning Balance | \$1,240,789.07 |
| Receipts | 55,474.82 |
| Disbursements | 82,342.08 |
| Ending Balance | \$1,213,921.81 |

TAX FUND

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| Beginning Balance | \$ 285,169.35 |
| Receipts | 1,551,014.36 |
| Disbursements | 1,803,343.15 |
| Ending Balance | \$ 32,840.56 |

FIRE FUND

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| Beginning Balance | \$ 242,277.63 |
| Receipts | 979.74 |
| Disbursements | 5,821.83 |
| Ending Balance | \$ 237,435.54 |

TRASH FUND

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| Beginning Balance | \$ 88,888.70 |
| Receipts | 15.78 |
| Disbursements | 15,141.00 |
| Ending Balance | \$ 73,763.48 |

A motion was made by Brown to approve the treasurer's report as read. Seconded by Baker, motion carried. A motion to adopt a resolution to approve collecting the 1% PTAF until revoked by the board was made and read into the record by Jacobs, seconded by Markovich. Roll call vote; Baker – no, Jacobs – yes, Wagar – yes, Markovich – yes, and Brown – yes. Motion to adopt resolution carried. A motion was made by Jacobs to set the operating millage for the township at the maximum allowed under the Headlee Rollback. Seconded by Brown, motion carried. We have a quote of \$2,250 from Alpine Computers in Gaylord to replace the server for the township offices. After discussion it was decided to have Jacobs continue to look into other companies.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Report presented by Chief Shelly. There were 26 runs since last report. To date our volume of calls is over 200. Total for all of last year was 210. Shelly and Wagar completed and passed the test for the NIMS class. EMS training this month is on mass causality/triage. Fire training will

be on chimney fires. Elric Vanderventer passed the MFR test. Shelly thanked the board for allowing him the opportunity to attend the EMS Conference in Marquette.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

At our last meeting we worked on completing the Recreation Plan for our township. We need to hold a public hearing, possibly at the next township meeting. The notice will be published in the Herald Times. The committee would like to erect a fence at the ends of the basketball court and in front of the bleachers at the baseball diamond, we have received a quote from Lee's Alpine Fence to put up a six foot high fence at both locations for \$4,004.11. A motion was made by Markovich and seconded by Jacobs to have Lee's Alpine Fence do the work for the stated amount.

TRUSTEE REPORT

Brown reported on the MTA Trustee Retreat she attended. There was quite a bit of information and discussion on medical marihuana.

NEW BUSINESS

The Waters Business Group has provided us with two quotes for putting lights and garland on the light poles in Waters. The bids are from Landscape Plus for \$720.00, and Twigs and Blooms for \$800.00. A motion was made by Brown to have Landscape Plus put up the lights and garland. Seconded by Jacobs, motion carried.

County Administrator John Burt updated the board on the progress of the new animal control building. It should be completed by December 23rd. The Building and Zoning Departments building has been remodeled and is now more energy efficient. He also discussed the proposed recycling plan. It would be a vote by each municipality. They are looking into a way to keep it open on Saturday so more people could take advantage of this service. To date nothing has been determined.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT

Report given by Commissioner Backenstose. Encourages all board members to attend the Otsego County Township Officers meeting on November 1, 2011 at the Bagley Township Hall. Recycling will be discussed. Would like to see the township look into curbside recycling. Perhaps it could be part of the new contract in 2015.

Comments heard for the good of the township.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. Next regular meeting will be November 17, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.