

**OTSEGO LAKE TOWNSHIP
MINUTES MAY 16, 2013**

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

CLERKS REPORT

A motion was made by Brown to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented. Seconded by Jacobs, motion carried. A motion was made by Brown to approve bills for the General Fund of \$22,426.95, Fire Fund \$4,839.33, and Trash Fund \$15,753.60. Seconded by Jacobs, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

GENERAL FUND

Beginning Balance	\$1,193,061.04
Receipts	22,566.83
Disbursements	16,251.94
Ending Balance	\$1,199,375.93

TAX ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance	\$266,080.91
Receipts	36,592.97
Disbursements	302,159.17
Ending Balance	\$ 514.71

FIRE FUND

Beginning Balance	\$ 72,399.28
Receipts	152,674.96
Disbursements	8,024.78
Ending Balance	\$ 217,049.46

TRASH FUND

Beginning Balance	\$ 30,623.20
Receipts	139,072.72
Disbursements	15,754.20
Ending Balance	\$153,941.72

A motion was made by Brown to approve the treasurer's report as read. Seconded by Johnson, motion carried. The board expressed no interest in purchasing any property that is offered for tax sale by the county.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Report presented by Chief Shelly. There were approximately sixteen runs since last report. Fire training will be on hydrant usage and water points. EMS training will be on water rescue and backboarding/stabilization. Our 800 MHz narrowband and handheld radios will be in use. The Firefighter Association will be planning a spaghetti dinner fundraiser sometime in June.

Wagar updated the board on the ruling of the EEOC in the case that was decided against the township fire department and its Chief due to a violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Outlined some of the steps we need to take and suggestions for compliance with the ruling. Answered questions from members of the fire department who were in attendance.

CONSTABLE/LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORT

All establishments checked out for monthly inspection. Reported on a complaint of mounds of debris at a residence on 1st Court Street. The county was notified but have not heard back from them as yet.

TRUSTEE REPORT

Johnson reported on the new horseshoe pits installed at the township park. Very good job.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

We have received a bid from Landscape Plus to install an irrigation system at the park around the playground equipment, fitness equipment and the pavilion in the amount of \$6,800.00 and spreading top soil and repairing the areas damaged from trenching from well and light poles installation of \$4,500.00 for a total of \$11,300.00. A motion was made by Jacobs and seconded by Brown to accept the bid. Motion carried. Two bids have been received for installing security cameras at the park. One from Maximum Security for \$2,867.77, but we would have to build the box to house the equipment to run cameras. The second bid is from EPS for \$3,670.00 plus a \$35.00 monthly fee which covers checking the system monthly. A motion was made by Brown to award the bid to EPS contingent upon waiving the \$35.00 monthly fee. Motion carried. Also received two bids for staining, painting, sanding and caulking both pavilions, all the picnic tables and benches and also the underneath side of the roof of the pavilions. Bids were received from John Taylor, who will stain the underside of the roofs for \$4,325.00 and Jeffrey Whiting, whose bid was \$2,100.00 but included painting the underside of the buildings. Board and park committee feel that staining would be better. A motion was made by Brown to accept the bid by Whiting, but to ask him to use a stain instead of indoor paint. Seconded by Markovich, motion carried. A motion was made by Markovich and seconded by Brown to appoint M. Coutant to the park committee as an alternate member. Motion carried.

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Committee member Brown reported on the last meeting. The water has been turned on at the Cemetery. Trying to set up a fall date for a Headstone Workshop. There will be a work bee at the cemetery on Tuesday, May 21st at 6:30 p.m. The next meeting will be June 3rd at 6:30 p.m. at the township hall.

OLD BUSINESS

Construction on the sidewalk in front of the township hall and continuing to the fence on the old Schotte property should begin around the 1st week in June.

A check is in the mail for replacing the damaged street light. It is for \$2,924.00 which includes a \$1,000.00 deductible. Our insurance carrier will try to get the other persons insurance carrier to pay the deductible.

NEW BUSINESS

Contracts have been received from the Otsego County Road Commission and motions made for the following work. Motions by Johnson to pay engineering costs for Old 27 South from Old State to 750 feet south of Memorial Drive \$12,750.00, seconded by Brown. Motion carried. Motion by Brown and seconded by Johnson to pave Gilbert Street for a cost of \$7,050.00, and Leighton Street for \$9,735.00. and pave Pine Street for \$15,625. Motion carried. Motion was made by Markovich to chip and seal 8 miles of road split with Guthrie Lakes and Michaywe and to put a mix of asphalt in preparation for seal coating a portion of E. Opal Lake Road for a total cost of \$140,000.00 plus \$23,600.00 for placement of a coat of fog seal. Seconded by Johnson, motion carried.

Comments heard for the good of the township.

A motion was made by Brown to appoint Johnson as the board liaison to the Planning Commission. Seconded by Jacobs, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m. Next regular meeting will be June 20, 2013 at 7:00 p.m