

OCTOBER 9, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m.
OTISCO TOWNSHIP HALL

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor, Joseph Daller.

Roll Call: Ben Oatley, Trusee; Dan Zeigler, Trustee; Cara Johnson, Treasurer;
Joseph Daller, Supervisor; Lynda Sower, Clerk

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
A short Prayer by David Hodges, County Commissioner.

Approval of Agenda: Johnson moved that we approve the agenda as presented and Zeigler support.
5-0 approved

Approval of the Minutes: Aug. 30, 2018 – Daller would like them to show his absence from this meeting. Johnson moved that the minutes be approved, with the addition, and Zeigler supported. Roll Call Vote: Ben, yes; Dan, yes; Lynda, yes; Cara, yes; Joe, abstained 4-0 approved

Sept. 11, 2018 minutes: Jonson moved to approve the minutes and Daller supported. 5-0 approved.

Approval of Bills, Payroll, & Transfers: Johnson moved to approve the bills and Sower supported. 5-0 approved

Daller moved to approve the payroll and Johnson supported. 5-0 approved

Transfers: Money needs to be transferred from an account and put into other accounts to pay for the new sign and playground equipment. Johnson will give the numbers to Sower and she will do this. There will be a copy of the budget for next month's meeting.

Payroll	\$ 9,314.45
Acct's Payable	\$13,987.25
Sheriff Acct.	<u>\$ 3,297.66</u>
TOTAL	\$26,599.36

Communications: Daller reported that he had attended a On the Road meeting.

New part for the sign is next to the building and we expect to receive a rebate for \$250, for our inconvenience.

Montcalm Area Schools sent a letter to us about the proposal on the November ballot about the Marijuana with their concerns.

Received our Par Plan News.

Received information from John Hancock about the Pensions.

Reports:

Deputy: Deputy Veenstra reported that there had been several accidents on the corner of 91 and Ellis, Check Fraud & Internet Fraud, had 2 drug busts, 2 domestic assaults. He also warned the people that Fed Ex is just hiring anyone to deliver your packages and they are out until 9:00 p.m., which is after dark.

Assessor: A report was given to all board members before the meeting

Cemetery Committee: Laura Staats reported that they did not have the cleanup day, due to rain. Next meeting is Oct. 23 @ 9:00 a.m. at the hall. All the big trees have been removed from the Smyrna Cemetery and she will get ahold of Rick to see when he could do the excavation. Daller wanted to know if she knew anything about the Cemetery CD for the cemetery. She did not. That CD is being moved to the Mercantile Bank.

County Commissioner: David Hodges, County Commissioner, reported that they had a hearing on the 2019 Budget and it was approved. The Commission on Aging used their end of the year money for software and food. The Shelter adoption wants 28 to 30 hours. The Ionia County Sheriff is retiring. Hodges talked to the Road Commission about their 1 mil and why the citizens of Otisco Township did not receive flyers for the proposal.

Planning Commission: Johnson reported that the committee had an Ordinance Amendment for the board to look at and see if they wanted to adopt it, about the word changes to an old ordinance. Johnson stated that the committee was working on a Solar Ordinance for the future. The Attorney will be coming to the Planning Commission meeting to talk with the committee members.

Zoning Administrator: Roger VanderMolen had placed a report in all board members folders before the meeting.

Unfinished Business:

Audit: Johnson stated that the audit would be done at the end of the year. Sower stated that she needed to get with the office of our auditor, since she had received a letter for the State about the F65 report that needs to be done by the end of October.

Hall Expansion: Oatley stated that he did not want this subject to die and maybe we should talk more about it when we do the budget. There will be a special meeting on Oct. 25, 2018 at 5:30 P.M. to discuss this matter.

Newsletter: Johnson stated that she would like something from all of the officers and departments for the newsletter by Oct. 22nd. The letter will be mailed out the last week in Oct or first week of Nov.

Property Transfer Affidavit & Poverty Exemption Guidelines: Johnson is still working with Judy Lindberg on this matter. This will not be on the agenda next month.

New Business:

Land Division Application – Albert: Johnson moved to approve the division of Leo & Nancy Alberts land and Daller supported. 5-0 approved

Ordinance Amendment: Johnson moved that we approve the amendment as submitted and Oatley supported. 5-0 approved

PA116 Application – Rasch: After some discussion Zeigler moved that we approve the PA 116 App. for Duane & Debbie Rasch and Johnson supported. 5-0 approved

Snow Plowing 2018-2019: Sower reported that she received the quote from Boreck Services for the snow plowing and she reminded them that last year Boreck was told if he did not raise his bid, that he could have the job this year. The bid was for the same amount as last year, \$40 per plowing and sidewalks shoveled. Zeigler moved that we approve this bid and Sower supported. 5-0 approved.


Public Comments: Jeff Hunter requested that the residents receive a copy of bank statements each month like they do the bills and payroll at the meeting. He wanted to know why we keep talking about the expansion that we really don't need. He believes that we should think about helping our Fire Department. Also, if the township has so much money on hand, why not give some back to the tax payers in the township.

Laura Staats wanted to know if one of the benches should be set on the other side by the playground.

Board Comments. Johnson reported that she has delinquent personal taxes that need to be sent to the courts to get them off of our tax bills. Staats wanted to know how much she had collected. Johnson stated, \$16,000 of the \$80,000. Johnson also reported that she was moving money to Mercantile Bank this also includes CD's.

At 8:28 P.M. Zeigler moved that we adjourn the meeting and Johnson supported.

Minutes Submitted By,



Lynda Sower – Otisco Township Clerk