

OTISCO TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MINUTES

JUNE 11, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor; Paul Reeves at 7:00pm.

The Pledge was recited and a short prayer was given by Paul Reeves.

Board Members Present: Supervisor-Paul Reeves, Treasurer-Janet Breimayer Clerk- Lynda Sower, Trustees- Ben Oatley and Dan Zeigler.

Agenda: Paul Reeves stated that there was a change to the agenda. There are 3 land splits to discuss, not 2. Jan Breimayer moved that we approve the agenda, with the change. It was supported by Ben. 5-0 passed

Jan Breimayer moved that we approve the minutes from the regular board meeting on May 14, 2013. It was supported by Ben Oatley. 5-0 passed

Jan Breimayer moved that we approve the minutes from the special board meeting on May 21, 2013. It was supported by Ben Oatley. 5-0 passed

Ben Oatley asked about the extra monies that we had in the tax account. Jan Breimayer stated that she was working on it. We moved onto the monthly bills. Dan Zeigler moved that we approve the bills and was support by Jan Breimayer. 5-0 passed

PUBLIC COMMENT: Lynn Mason asked about the mowing of the side of the roads.

CORRESPONDENCE: John Bush (Ionia County Drain Commissioner) is having a drain meeting at the Otisco Township Hall on June 13, 2013.

Lisa Posthumus Lyons is having a meeting to discuss road conditions and road funding on June 25, 2013 at the Ionia County Commission on Aging.

Cliff Bloom (Otisco Township's Lawyer) sent a letter to us about the Lehman Trucking Co.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/MINUTES:

Fire/Mutual Aid Compact/Ambulance – none

Planning Commission – Janis Johnson will be at the next Planning Board to talk with the Board.

ZBA – No new business

Zoning Administrator Report – Paul Reeves, acting Zoning Administrator, had a report of his activities for the past month for all board members.

New Land Splits – Andrew Lehman, of Jacoby Rd, submitted a land division. It was approved by the Assessor, Judy Lindberg and Acting Zoning Administrator, Paul Reeves. Dan Zeigler moved that we approve the split and was supported by Jan Breimayer. 5-0 passed

Roy and Carol Smith, of Button Rd., submitted a land division and it was approved by Judy Lindberg(assessor) and Paul Reeves(acting zoning administrator). Jan Breimayer moved that we approve this and was supported by Dan Zeigler. 5-0 passed.

Mike Gates, of Bricker Rd., submitted a land division, it was approved by Judy Lindberg, Assessor and Paul Reeves, Acting Zoning Administrator. Ben Oatley moved that we approve this and it was supported by Dan Zeigler. 5-0 passed

Road Committee – none

Cemetery Committee – none

Pitsch Landfill Study – none

County Commissioner – Lynn Mason – Lynn reported about the addition of ½ person to be added to the County Clerk Office, to deal with the courts. She also told the board about the dam failing on Ranney Lake, they are getting a court date, maybe mid-July. She gave the board two documents for our information. (Guide to Health)

Fred Meijer Trail – DNR and R/W – Lynn Mason (County Commissioner) talked to us about the fund Paddle and Peddle Event and the Mountain Bike Ride Event.

Road Mowing- Larry Huyler- County \$44.49 Mile 42.15 Miles = \$1894.22 each time.

Larry is unable to fulfill his contract with us, because of health reasons. The county has given us the above quote. Jan Breimayer moved that we contract the county to do this work for us at the above quote and it was supported by Ben Oatley.

There was some discussion about the Brining of the gravel roads. They have begun our area now.

Interviewing Zoning Administrator candidates – Paul Reeves reported that he and Lynda Sower had gotten the list down to 6 candidates and 2 alternates, if needed. The board is going to meet on June 22, 2013, to interview the 6 people. It was start at 9:00 am, and the people will be scheduled to come in every 45 minutes, until done. Lynda Sower will call the people and set this up.

Resolution to set Alternate Date for Otisco Township July and December Board of Review –

Paul Reeves explained that because the Assessor has several different townships to handle this resolution can be adopted. It was moved by Jan Breimayer to approve this adoption of the July and December Board of Review Meetings; it was supported by Lynda Sower. 5-0 passed

Labor Law Posters – Lynda Sower reported to the board the the labor law posters are suppose to be posted in our township hall. The cost is \$40.00. It was moved by Ben Oatley that we purchase the said poster and post them in the hall. It was supported by Jan Breimayer.

5-0 passed.

MTA Summer Workshops – Cemetery Management & Accounting & Payroll - Lynda Sower and Kendra Bailey (deputy clerk) would like to attend these workshops. It is in the Clerk's Budget for schooling. Jan Breimayer moved that they attend these sessions. It was supported by Dan Zeigler. 5-0 passed

Millage Renewal – On the November ballot we will be asking the residents to renew the Fire and Road Millage. It was moved by Ben Oatley to approve the renewal millage vote, and was supported by Jan Breimayer. 5-0 passed

Newsletter – Ben asked if the newsletter could be out before the 4th of July holiday, because of the new ordinance about fireworks. Lynda Sower told them that the newsletter was getting done and would be out before that date.

NEW BUSINESS:

Closing Chickering Rd. – (Ostrum to Palmer) - The owner of this property is asking to have the road (the two track) to be permanently closed. Dan Zeigler moved that we allow the closing, it was supported by Jan Breimayer. 5-0 passed

Door on Furnace Room – The door to the furnace room has been removed because of the heat build-up. Some of our computer set-up is in there. Lynda Sower will look into a price of a new louvered door and will bring it to the July meeting.

New Laptop – clerk – Lynda Sower would like to purchase a laptop for the clerk departments' use. Lynda will look into a price on this and will report to the board at the July meeting.

Web Page - The web page that we have for some time, does not allow us to add things to it, so we can keep the public aware of the happening within our township. Lynda Sower will see what she can find out about purchasing a new contract for our web page.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Lynn Mason reported there would be a tractor pull, the Sunday before Labor Day, on Ellis Ave.

They will have to get a special use permit.

Paul Reeves thanked Howard Uiterdyk for all the work that he has done for us. (weeds, signs and etc.)

AGENDA:

Jan Breimayer would like to have signatures on complaint forms, to be added to next month's agenda.

ADJOURN:

Jan Breimayer moved that we be adjourned. It was supported by Dan Zeigler.
Adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Signed

Lynda Sower – Otisco Township Clerk