

OTISCO TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
At the OTISCO TOWNSHIP HALL
October 10, 2023 @ 7:00 P.M.

Supervisor Desmond Pike called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, in attendance were John Feuerstein, Joe Borek, Paula Byrne, Desmond Pike and Lynda Sower. Desmond followed with the Pledge of Allegiance then an opening prayer.

The agenda was approved with additions, one under Unfinished Business the second under New Business, Motion by Joe Borek supported by John Feuerstein passed 5-0

Opening Public Comment: Jeff Hunter addressed two ordinances to be discussed. Resident Kristie Walls also addressed the board and gave them her support for their hard work. James Conley added his comments that he too opposes the 'noise ordinance.'

Approval of minutes from September 12th Board Meeting as written. Motion to approve by John Feuerstein, seconded by Paula Byrne, all were in favor, motion passed 5-0

Approval of payables and payroll – brief discussion on whether the bill for the electric repair due to the power surge has been received. Lynda confirmed that it was just received. Payroll and payables made by Paula Byrne, supported by John Feuerstein all were in favor motion passed is 5-0.

Treasurer report, None

Communications, None

Township deputy not present, sent his report for September, 24 calls, 5 criminal and 3 crashes. Also included a note that the deer are on the move and to be cautious.

Cemetery Committee has not met lately and our next scheduled meeting is later this month.

Ionia Commissioner David Hodges reported on the actions at Ionia County Board Meeting, this year a large amount of money will go towards their pension fund, to start moving it in the right direction. The County had two MDOT resolutions, one for Clarksville Kiefer project the other one for the Potter Road project. They addressed three County policies one for employee benefits, one was for leave and the other one was a travel policy.

Zoning Board of Appeals, no meeting

Planning Commission worked on a green energy survey to be sent out to all tax paying township residents regarding the upcoming solar initiative being put forth by the State of Michigan to be 15% solar compliant along with the governor's 2030 state mandate where she would like to be 60% solar in six years. Larry Mercer attended a conference with a 3-hour presentation on solar energy.

Zoning Administrator, Larry Mercer made his report available.

Larry stated that the Township needs to make sure we know what they want, so that when the state comes in and they say they are going to do it, that that Township can say here is how we want to do it. It's something that we're going to want to have as part of the Master Plan. The Township will need to

figure out where to put the battery energy storage systems, designate certain areas and create an ordinance around it. The Township needs to grow its ordinance as the technology of this industry grows. There isn't 40 years of data of how these things work, or 40 years of industrial size batteries and the battery energy storage system. Where will these go? Will they be allowed in RC, AG or in industrial? The Township will need the survey information back from the taxpayers.

Joe Borek made a motion to approve mailing the green energy questionnaire to all the taxpaying residents of the Township, Lynda Sower supported. A roll call vote was taken, John Feuerstein, no; Joe Borek, yes; Paula Byrne, yes; Desmond Pike, yes; and Lynda Sower, yes; passed 4-1.

Unfinished Business:

Shed: Tentatively on hold

Cleanup tabled, waiting for information, Township has handled their end, Larry will follow-up.

New Business:

Public Gathering Ordinance

Desmond read out loud the new ordinance to repeal the Otisco Township Outdoor Gathering Ordinance and the effective date the old ordinance will no longer be in effect, and to be published in the Daily News.

A motion to rescind the public gathering ordinance and replacing it with new rescind ordinance and put it in the paper to have a public hearing next month. Motion by John Feuerstein supported by Joe Borek to repeal the 2015 Public Gathering Ordinance and replace with the rescind ordinance. Board agreed to publish in the Daily News and hold the public hearing at the November meeting and take a final vote in November.

Noise Ordinance

Motion by Joe Borek to repeal the Noise Ordinance, seconded by Desmond Pike. Roll call vote, Desmond, yes; Paula, yes; Joe, yes; John, no Lynda, no; motion passes 3-2.

Halloween at Otisco Township Hall

Joe Borek suggested the Township do something for Halloween to show a little gratitude to the residents. He thinks it would be nice if all the board members were there in costume and the Township invites the resident's inside for a drink of cider and donuts. Smyrna at one time use to serve cider and donuts to the residents. He gave an estimate of \$150 to \$200.

Meeting adjourned - 8:30

Respectfully submitted

Laura J Staats

Check Date	Bank	Check	Vendor	Vendor Name	Description	Amount
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Bank GEN GEN FUND

Check Date	Bank	Check	Vendor	Vendor Name	Description	Amount
10/12/2023	GEN	7341	CONSUMERS	CONSUMERS ENERGY	ALL OF TOWNSHIP ELECTRIC BILLS	285.46
10/12/2023	GEN	7342	DTE	DETROIT ENERGY	HALL HEAT	60.71
10/12/2023	GEN	7343	ENSTIGN	ENSTIGN ELECTRICAL L.L.C.	EMERGENCY SERVICE - POWER OUTAGE - LOST	1,373.28
10/12/2023	GEN	7344	GRANGER	GRANGER CONTAINER SERVICE INC.	TRASH PICK UP THREE MONTHS 10/11/12/2023	100.50
10/12/2023	GEN	7345	KORE	KORE HI COM	POWER OUTAGE - CLERK-SUPERVISOR-TREASUR	437.50
10/12/2023	GEN	7346	VISA	VISA	SUPPLIES-LYLE, ADT, INK-ZA, SUPPLIES	308.41
10/26/2023	GEN	7347	BSA	BS&A SOFTWARE	ANNUAL SERVICE & SUPPORT 11/23-11/24	2,307.00
10/26/2023	GEN	7348	SFAATS	LAURA SFAATS	COPIES FOR HALL LAYOUT TO HELP WITH ADD	69.40
10/30/2023	GEN	7349	LIFEEMS	LIFE EMS AMBULANCE	FOURTH QUARTER 2023	3,575.32
10/30/2023	GEN	7350	LAWN	BEIDING LAWN CARE	LAWN CARE NOV. 2023	1,653.75
10/30/2023	GEN	7351	KORE	KORE HI COM	ZONING ADMIN. - PUT MEETING ON SITE	187.50
11/06/2023	GEN	7352	BACKHOE	BEIDING BACKHOE & MOWING	FULL BURIAL AMY KLINE-THOMPSON	508.00
11/06/2023	GEN	7353	CONSUMERS	CONSUMERS ENERGY	ALL OF TOWNSHIPS ELECTIC BILLS	257.34
11/06/2023	GEN	7354	FOS-SWIFT	FOSTER SWIFT COLLINS & SMITH PC	ATTEND MEETING - SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT-A	1,417.50
11/06/2023	GEN	7355	JOHNHANCK	JOHN HANCOCK	ELECTED OFFICIALS PENSION & ADMIN. FEE	577.49
11/13/2023	GEN	7356	BIKE RACE	IX PRODUCTIONS LLC (J. ZVIRZDINIS)	REIMBURSEMENT TO LOWELL CLASSIC GRAVEL R	500.00
11/13/2023	GEN	7357	APEX	APEX SOFTWARE	SOFT WARE FOR ASSESSOR	260.00
11/13/2023	GEN	7358	DTE	DETROIT ENERGY	HALL HEAT	87.88
11/13/2023	GEN	7359	TERRY	GREGORY J. TERRY	FULL BURIAL FOR AMY KLINE & FOUNDATION	508.00
11/13/2023	GEN	7360	HART	HART INTERCIVIC	SERVICE AND MAINTENACNE RENEWAL FOR ELE	804.00
11/13/2023	GEN	7361	PITSCH	PITSCH RECYCLING & DISPOSAL, INC.	LANDFILL VOUCHERS	525.00
11/13/2023	GEN	7362	VIEW	VIEW NEWSPAPER GROUP	PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE	191.90

Total Paper Check: 15,995.94

GEN TOTALS:
 Total of 22 Checks: 15,995.94
 Less 2 Void Checks: 695.50

Total of 20 Disbursements: 15,300.44

Bank ROADS ROADS

Check Type: Paper Check

10/26/2023	ROADS	1068	IC ROADS	IONIA COUNTY ROAD DEPT.	OTISCO-HAWLEY CULVERT-229D GRANDDALL	6,516.98
10/30/2023	ROADS	1069	IC ROADS	IONIA COUNTY ROAD DEPT.	MAINT. - WHIES BRIDGE NORTH OF M-44 TO	22,889.26
11/13/2023	ROADS	1070	COR ENV SO	CORRIGAN ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS	BRINE FOR ROADS	17,756.20

Total Paper Check: 47,162.44

ROADS TOTALS:
 Total of 3 Checks: 47,162.44
 Less 0 Void Checks: 0.00

Total of 3 Disbursements: 47,162.44

Bank SHERI SHERIFF ACCT.

Check Type: Paper Check

Check Date	Bank	Check	Vendor	Vendor Name	Description	Amount
10/12/2023	SHERI	1053	ICTREAS	IONIA COUNTY TREASURER	SHERIFF COVERAGE - SEPT. 2023	3,639.13
11/06/2023	SHERI	1054	ICTREAS	IONIA COUNTY TREASURER	SHERIFF DEPUTY COVERAGE - OCT. 2023	3,639.13
					Total Paper Check:	7,278.26

SHERI TOTALS:
 Total of 2 Checks: 7,278.26
 Less 0 Void Checks: 0.00
 Total of 2 Disbursements: 7,278.26

REPORT TOTALS:
 Total of 27 Checks: 70,436.64
 Less 2 Void Checks: 695.50
 Total of 25 Disbursements: 69,741.14

For Payroll ID: 247 Check Date: 11/13/2023 Pay Period End Date: 10/31/2023

Check Date	Bank	Check Number	Name	Check Gross	Physical Check Amount	Direct Deposit	Status
11/13/2023	GEN	7363	BAILEY, KENDRA S	262.00	241.95	0.00	Processing
11/13/2023	GEN	7364	BANNISTER, ANGIE R	634.50	558.99	0.00	Processing
11/13/2023	GEN	7365	BOREK, JOSEPH M	443.33	389.99	0.00	Processing
11/13/2023	GEN	7366	BYRNE, PAULA	1,675.68	1,424.12	0.00	Processing
11/13/2023	GEN	7367	CHRZAN, LYLE S	387.00	340.93	0.00	Processing
11/13/2023	GEN	7368	FEUERSTEIN, JOHN G	358.33	315.68	0.00	Processing
11/13/2023	GEN	7369	FRAIN, SALLY A	1,950.00	1,496.28	0.00	Processing
11/13/2023	GEN	7370	HASSERT, DARWYN H	85.00	74.88	0.00	Processing
11/13/2023	GEN	7371	MERCER, LARRY	2,597.76	2,217.64	0.00	Processing
11/13/2023	GEN	7372	OSTRANDER, RICHARD W	85.00	74.89	0.00	Processing
11/13/2023	GEN	7373	PIKE, DESMOND L	1,583.33	1,462.20	0.00	Processing
11/13/2023	GEN	7374	SOWER, LYNDA	1,703.58	1,274.08	0.00	Processing
11/13/2023	GEN	7375	SOWER, LYNDA	333.34	293.68	0.00	Processing
11/13/2023	GEN	7376	STAATS, LAURA	80.00	70.48	0.00	Processing
11/13/2023	GEN	7377	STEPHENS, DANIEL E	85.00	74.89	0.00	Processing
11/13/2023	GEN	7378	TARKOWSKI, JOSEPH	110.00	96.90	0.00	Processing
11/13/2023	GEN	7379	TARKOWSKI, JAMES	95.00	83.70	0.00	Processing

Totals: Total Physical Checks: 17 Number of Checks: 017 12,468.85 10,491.28 0.00

Total Check Stubs:

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For consideration. Not yet approved.

2024 Board Meeting

All meeting starts at 7:00 p.m.

Second Tuesday of each month

January 9, 2024

February 13, 2024

March 12, 2014

April 9, 2024

May 14, 2024

June 11, 2024

July 9, 2024

August 13, 2024

September 10, 2024

October 8, 2024

November 12, 2024

December 10, 2024