

**OTISCO TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 13, 2018 & 7:00 P.M.
OTISCO TOWNSHIP HALL**

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda: Johnson moved to approve the agenda and Oatley supported.
5-0 approved

Public Comment: Howard Uiterdyk wanted to know why the Lawn care was listed on the agenda for the night. Uiterdyk also ask about the raise in pay for the Supervisor. There were some other comments about this matter.

Approval of Minutes: January 9, 2018; Johnson moved to approve the minutes with one correction to be made, and Daller supported. 5-0 approved

January 23, 2018; Daller moved to approve the minutes and Zeigler supported. 5-0 approved

Bills: After some discussion, Daller moved to pay the bills presented and Johnson supported. 5-0 approved

Pay Roll:	\$ 6,822.44
Accts, Payable	\$17,075.05
Fire Contract	<u>\$ 9,971.58</u>
	\$33,860.07

Communications: Daller presented the following corresponds:

Belding Chamber of Commerce - About continuing to be a member of the Chamber. The price has gone from \$100 to \$150. Sower moved that we continue to be a member and Daller supported. 5-0 approved

Seventh Day Adventist requested to be able to be in our township, going door to door and visiting people from June 3 – August 11, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. The board discussed this matter and Sower was directed to ask them to please not be at homes past 7:30 p.m and send back the form to them.

Received paper work from the Ionia County Road Commission for Gravel, Brine, and Gradall for 2018. Will be discussed at budget meetings.

Guest – Jonathan Brown from Grewal Law, Okemos, MI: Mr. Brown stated that some businesses in our area were interested in participating in the Michigan’s Medical Marijuana Facilities Licensing Act, and wanted to give us some information on this. Municipalities will have the option to either opt out or opt in. The townships have the say about this so he gave the board some facts on how it will operate and about revenue that it would furnish. There are five different sections to this: grower – processors – store front – safety compliance facilities – secured transporter. Any of the above would be under strict state guidelines and they would have to pay the township a fee of up to \$5,000 to operate in our township. BUT remember this is up to the Township. He will be glad to talk to anyone about this and he would also help us if we have questions.

Reports:

Planning Commission: Johnson reported that they have approved the Lehman License. Lowell Bike riders are planning 3 rides for the upcoming year. Public Hearing about a new house going up on Agriculture property. Solar farms are asking people about leasing of property for the panels. The Commission has come up with a Rec. Plan for the board. They have taken a look at the survey that people participated in and made their decisions using them. There are three phases. After some input from the people attending the meeting Johnson moved that we give the Planning Commission \$5,000 to start phase one, which is baseball bases, soccer net, horse shoes pits, picnic tables and grills. Sower supported. Roll Call Vote 5-0 approved

Zoning Administrator: All board members received a report from Roger VanderMolen before the meeting.

Unfinished Business:

Public Hearing

At this time Daller stopped the regular meeting to go into the Public Hearing of Wages and Fees.

Daller read each resolution for the public.

- 2018-01 Supervisor wages after April 1, 2018 will be \$16,000 for the fiscal year
- 2018-02 Clerk wages after April 1, 2018 will be \$16,320 for the fiscal year
- 2018-03 Treasure wages after April 1, 2018 will be \$16,320 for the fiscal year.
- 2018-04 Trustee wages after April 1, 2018 will be \$3,570
- 2018-05 Deputy Treasurer wages after April 1, 2018 will be \$14 hourly – capped at \$6,000
Deputy Clerk wages after April 1, 2018 will be \$14 hourly – capped at \$3,600
Zoning Administrator wages after April 1, 2018 will be \$16,400 for the fiscal year
All other committee member wages and fees for the township will stay the same as the previous year.

There were no comments at the end of the Public Hearing. Public Hearing was closed at 8:00 p.m. and Regular Meeting resumed.

Johnson moved that all resolutions that were submitted be approved and Zeigler supported.
Roll Call voting took place at this time.

2018-01	4-1	approved -Sower being apposed
2018-02	5-0	approved
2018-03	5-0	approved
2018-04	5-0	approved
2018-05	5-0	approved

Assessor: Daller has put together paper work for the hiring of Judy Lindberg as the 2018-2019 assessors. He is waiting to hear from the lawyer.

Township Sign: Daller has the information and this will be talked about at budget meetings.

New Business:

Appointment to P/C: Mark Malone will be the new member of the Planning Commission, replacing the resignation of David Hodges.

Lawn Care for 2018: Sower moved that Borek be kept on for this year and Johnson supported.
Roll Call Vote: Oatley, NO; Zeigler, NO; Sower, YES; Johnson, YES; Daller, NO. failed
Daller moved that we take bids for the Lawn Care for 2018, 2019, 2020 (three year contract), supported by Oatley. 4-1 approved Sower was only no vote.

Public Comment: Desmond Pike commented that he did not like the idea of opting in to the new drug laws.

Craig Crebessa said that he has looked into the new Medical Marihuana Laws and Michigan is the strictest state on this subject. He is looking into the transporting phase of the operation.

Forrest Breimayer inquired about the Home Occupation Permits and if people had them that are running business out of their homes.

Meetings: The February 20th meeting time was changed from 4:00p.m. to 4:30p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Minutes Submitted By:



Lynda Sower – Otisco Township Clerk