

**OTISCO TOWNSHIP**  
*Preliminary*  
**ZONING BOARD MINUTES for May 14, 2018**

- Members Present:** Frank Mason – Chairperson; Dan Zeigler – co-chair; Laura Staats – Secretary;  
Also present: Roger Vander Molen – Zoning Administrator
- Call to Order:** Frank Mason called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- Agenda:** Motion to approve the Agenda as written was supported, passed 3-0
- Approve Minutes:** Minutes from the April 9, 2018 meeting were reviewed and approved, passed 3-0
- Board Reports:** Zoning Administrator, Roger Vander Molen gave a short review for of the Zoning Administrator/Ordinance Enforcement Report, what is new and what is still in progress. See written report.
- Township Board: Dan gave a short review of the April board meeting as the Regular Township Board meeting was delayed for one week.
- Planning Commission: Frank gave a short review from The Planning Commission which included the continued discussion of the Recreation Plan for the Township Hall.
- Old Business:** None
- New Business:** Regular Meeting closed at 7:07 pm Public Hearing: Leo Albert, purchase of 8/10 of an acre to allow access to a wooded area he currently owns. Is asking for relief from Ordinance # 1.420. The property is zoned A-C. 8/10 of an acre is located north of Seely Road near the Hawley Road intersection and abuts his property. In the future this land may be split and sold and this small piece will give road access to the land which is partially field and partially wooded. If variance is awarded Mr. Albert will have the land surveyed. Public Hearing closed at 7:26
- A brief discussion was held among the Zoning Board Members and they agreed that it made sense to allow the purchase of less than an acre since it will be added to a larger parcel. The property being purchased is currently part of 130-035-000-005-00 that is on the north side of Seely Road and separated from the rest of the large parcel, it will be added to 130-026-000-100-00 which also lies on the north side of Seely Road. A motion was made to give relief from Ordinance 1.420, it was supported and passed 3-0
- There was some further discussion regarding a previous survey done about the year 2002 which moved some boundary lines. The Zoning Administrator stated that he has no record of such a survey. Mr.'s Albert and Pike will have the areas in question re-surveyed.
- Public Comment:** None
- Member Comment:** A brief comment was made about the Township Board attending the MTA Conference in Traverse City the end of April. Solar was a topic discussed and something the Township will need to consider in the future.
- Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn was made, and supported, passed 3-0 Meeting adjourned at 7:40PM.
- Next Meeting:** June 11, 2018 @ 7:00 PM Otisco Township Hall
- Proposed Agenda:** Approve May Meeting minutes from Public Hearing regarding land purchase on Seely Road, and new Public Hearing for Berry at 5798 Whites Bridge Road, to extend Pole Barn in front of home.

Respectfully submitted:  
Laura Staats