

OTISCO TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 10, 2020 @ 7:00 P.M.  
OTISCO TOWNSHIP HALL

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor, Joseph Daller  
Roll Call: Dan Zeigler, Trustee; Ben Oatley, Trustee; Joseph Daller, Supervisor;  
Cara Johnson, Treasurer; Lynda Sower, Clerk  
Pledge of Allegiance was recited.  
Short Prayer by David Hodges, County Commissioner.

Approval of Agenda: Johnson wants to add e to new business for final paycheck & pension.  
Zeigler moved to approve the agenda with the addition and Johnson supported. 5-0 approved

No Comments

Approval of Minutes: Oct. 13, 2020 – Daller stated that under unfinished business c. it should read Otisco Cemetery Expansion. Daller moved to approve the minutes with this correction and Oatley supported. 4-0 approved Johnson abstained

Approval of Payables & Payroll: Johnson moved to approve the bills and Zeigler supported.  
5-0 approved

Payroll	\$ 9,894.06
Fire Acct.	\$10,022.00
Road Acct.	\$95,479.42
Sheriff	\$ 3,430.26
Accts. Payable	<u>\$14,779.07</u>
TOTAL	\$133,604.81

Communications: Daller reported that Proposals for at the election, November 3, 2020 were all passed.

Fire	1021 yes	203 no
Roads	858 yes	451 no
Sheriff	870 yes	430 no

The Planning Commission received a resignation from Cara Johnson on Nov. 5, 2020.  
A gentleman stopped by the hall and ask if the board would like to see the old school bell refurbished and had a picture to show what it could look like if this was done.  
Daller had information for protection for the clerk & treasurer in their office from the covid virus – acrylic shields to put at the counter in that area.

Reports:

Township Deputy: Deputy Tobar reported that they had 32 calls this past month; eight accidents, one assault, one health and safety, and assists. Oatley ask about the white van insistent from last month. He was told that they believe that they have talked to the person, and there has been no more reports.

Assessor: The board has received a report in their folder.

Cemetery Committee: Laura Staats reported that the committee had gone to the cemeteries and made a list of thing to look at in the Spring. She had heard no word from the property owners next to Otisco Cemetery, about selling their property to the township for expansion. Next meeting will be Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Joe Borek has gotten the poles up at the Smyrna cemetery parking lot.

County Commissioner: David Hodges thanked the board for their public service for the past years. Also, for serving the people of the township that they serve. Good Job!

Planning Commission: Roger Vandermolen reported that at the Nov. 4 meeting they had a Public Hearing for a home base business – S. Barger, Dog Grooming. He also reported that he and the lawyer have been to court over the property on Button Rd. were the trailer burned. The committee had a discussion about what to do about going on people's property.

Unfinished Business:

Cemetery Ordinance Amendment: There are a number of things that the committee is looking at to change or add to the ordinance. This will take some time, so this topic can be taken off the agenda until further notice.

New Business:

Land Division-Cook: Roger Vandermolen stated that after he and the Assessor, Sally Frain looked it over they approved of the split. Daller moved to approve the division, but would like the final paper to look at the condition of side yards and our ordinance, Johnson supported. 5-0 approved

Land Division- Garland: Vandermolen stated that after he and Frain looked it over they approved of the split. Daller moved to approve the division on behalf of the Garlands, and Johnson supported. 5-0 approved

Smyrna Electrical Outlet: Daller had a letter from the Otisco Bakery about putting an outlet on the south east corner of Button & Whites Bridge Rds. The family of Joana Johnson have decorated this corner for holidays for years and have had to ask a home that is located there to let them plug into their electricity, for Christmas tree lights and such. Joana has contacted Consumers about this and they suggested that she run it by the Otisco Township Board to have it feed off the street lights, and it can be put on the pole on the corner. Zeigler moved that we

have the outlet installed and Daller supported. Daller will get ahold of Jeff Snider at Consumers.

Snowplowing Services: Fall 2020-Spring 2021: Borek Services put in a bid to continue to do the snow removal for the township hall. The price for plowing is the same as last year, \$40 per plow and the sidewalks and entrances will be cleaned also. Johnson moved to accept the bid and Sower supported. 5-0 approved

Final Pay checks and Pensions: The final paycheck of two thirds of the month of November will be paid to Dan, Ben, Joe, Cara by November 20<sup>th</sup>, their last day of work and the Pension shall be sent to John Hancock at this time. Johnson moved to approve this decision and Daller supported. 5-0 approved

Public Comment: Howard Uiterdyk ask why there were two trash containers at the side of the building. Daller explained that it had been put there for all the extra trash in the summer, with people using the pavilion and playground. Daller will look into getting one of them removed.

Board Comment: Daller thanked the board members for all of their time that they devoted to the township. He commented to Johnson that she had a big hand in getting the recreation areas done outside. Johnson stated that she was glad to see all of the children playing and we even had a mother and two children who used the pavilion to do home schooling.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Minutes Submitted By:



Lynda Sower – Otisco Township Clerk

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- c. Approval of Township Meeting, Dates, Time for 2021 calendar year.
  - d. Board Appointments
  - e. Grounds Maintenance Contract
  - f. Supervisor Vote
- XI. Resolution Mercantile Bank for proper Authorization for Finance Management.
  - XII. Public Comment
  - XIII. Board Comment
  - XIV. ~~Motion to Adjourn~~