

REGULAR OTISCO TOWNSHIP MEETING
AUGUST 13, 2019 @ 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; Dan Zeigler,
Trustee; Ben Oatley, Trustee; Lynda Sower, Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Short Prayer given by David Hodges.

Approval of Agenda: Daller added under New Business; b. Fintech; c. Dell Windows 2019 Server. Johnson moved to approve with the additions and Zeigler supported. 5-0 approved

Public Comment: Kristie Warner-Walls wanted to have the board consider letting the public engage in comments before we make decisions.

Approval of Minutes: July 9, 2019 – Johnson moved to approve the minutes as presented and Oatley supported. 4-0 approved Daller abstained due to absence.

July 25, 2019 – Daller moved to approve the minutes with the addition of the Assessors yearly wage and Oatley supported. 4-0 approved Johnson abstained due to absence.

Approval of Bills and Payroll: Johnson moved to pay the payroll and acct's payable and Daller supported. Daller wanted to know about Lindbergs mileage for June and July; Sower commented that it was paid. 5-0 approved

Acct's Payable	\$34,301.91
Fire	\$10,319.22
Sheriff	\$ 3,363.53
Payroll	<u>\$10,281.63</u>
TOTAL	\$58,266.29

Communications: Daller received a brochure from MTA for training.

Reports:

Assessor: Board members have a report in their packets.

Cemetery: Next meeting is August 27, 2019 @ 9:00 a.m.

County Commissioner: David Hodges, conducted a question and answer period about whether to have the Road Commissioners added to the ballot instead of be chosen by the Ionia County Commissioners.

Planning Commission: Received a permit request from March Tax Service. They are working on the five year plan. Discussed The Industrial matter on M44. No decisions were made. Still looking into Blight.

Zoning Administrator: Roger Vandermolen had given a report to all board members.

Unfinished Business:

Assessor: Daller reported that there had been a special meeting to talk with Sally Frain about the Assessor position that will be open when Judy Lindberg leaves. The board did decide to offer the job to Sally and Daller phoned her a couple of days later. She has accepted the job.

Carpet Cleaning: Sower presented two bids to the board for the cleaning of carpets in the hall. Brads - \$270 and Luxury- \$210. Johnson moved that we go with Luxury and Daller supported. Approved 5-0

Pavilion Update: Johnson reported that building supplies would be delivered on Thursday. It will take them three days to build the pavilion.

Recycling: Sower reported that the Recycling would be going out of business at the end of September. The board would like to continue this service, but does not want bins to be placed at the hall.

Township Hall Roofing: After discussion on the roofing, whether to go with steel or shingles, Johnson moved to have Ostrander do a shingle roof at \$6400 and Oatley supported. There was a quote for a 20 year warranty for \$6840 so Cara made a new motion to get this contract and Daller supported. Roll Call Vote – Oatley, yes; Zeigler, yes; Sower, yes; Johnson, yes; Daller, yes. 5-0 approved

Tree Trimming update & Brush Burning: Daller will call the tree trimmers and find out when this can be done. The Board will discuss the burning at next month's meeting.

New Business:

West Ellis Salvage Yard: The Salvage Yard has been inspected and passed. Johnson moved that we renew the permit and Daller supported. 5- 0 approved

Fintech: They have petitioned the board to establish an Industrial Development District at 7165 N. Whites Bridge Rd., Belding, MI 48809. Sower will work on this matter and get letters out to neighbors and set up a Public Hearing for next month.

Windows 2019: Sower reported that she had been notified by the government that we were going to have to update equipment (server) in 2020. As it cannot be used because of the age of the equipment. Sower had a quote from Addorio for the new server, \$3,819.12; installation \$2000; Veritas Backup, \$1480 for a total of \$7299.12. The board discussed if new computers were needed at this time. Sower will contact Addorio with Questions and report next month.

Public Comment: Howard Uiterdyk commented about the following: Newsletter; front sign; day care; notes on door in absences; letter to neighbor.

Jeff Hunter wondered why we hire people to do work at the hall that are working on committees here. Is this a conflict of interest? When did we vote on pavilion being built?

Kristie Warner-Walls stated that she found out that the pavilion was voted on in a special meeting. She knows that it was legit, but does not look good. She also wanted to know about the Server that we were looking at and would like to see the quote. Sower stated that she would show her the quote. She also sees nothing wrong with the hiring of Ostrander for the roofing job.

Sower mentioned that she needs to amend the budget to make adjustments for the checks written for the pavilion. \$11,518 deposit - \$23,036 building supplies - \$409 permit. Total \$34,963. Daller moved that we amend the budget and Johnson supported. Roll Call Vote – Oatley, yes; Zeigler, yes; Sower, yes; Johnson, yes; Daller, yes. 5-0 approved

Misc. expenditure – \$11,518	101-000-955-000
Building & Grounds- \$23,445	101-265-740-000

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Minutes Submitted By:

Lynda Sower
Otisco Township Clerk