

**OTSEGO LAKE TOWNSHIP
MINUTES, OCTOBER 21, 2010**

The regular monthly meeting of the Otsego Lake Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Wagar with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m. All board members present and seven audience members. A motion was made by Brown to approve the minutes of the last meeting, seconded by Baker, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

GENERAL FUND		TAX ACCOUNT	
Beginning Balance	\$1,261,123.01	Beginning Balance	\$ 375,783.59
Receipts	47,959.17	Receipts	1,567,614.28
Expenditures	22,647.06	Expenditures	1,893,597.33
Ending Balance	\$1,286,435.12	Ending Balance	\$ 49,800.54
FIRE DEPARTMENT		TRASH FUND	
Beginning Balance	\$ 220,767.64	Beginning Balance	\$ 88,536.04
Receipts	81.23	Receipts	34.87
Expenditures	4,960.92	Expenditures	15,092.00
Ending Balance	\$ 215,887.95	Ending Balance	\$ 73,478.91

A motion was made by Baker to approve the treasurer's report as read. Seconded by Brown, motion carried. A motion was made by Baker to continue to charge the 1% PTAF for the 2011 taxes. Seconded by Brown, motion carried.

A motion was made by Baker to approve payment of bills for the General Fund in the amount of \$43,118.05, Fire Fund \$7,787.34 and Trash Fund \$15,092.00. Seconded by Brown, motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Report presented by Chief Shelly. There were eighteen runs since last month; fourteen of these were EMS runs. Average enroute time was 6.5 minutes. Fire training this month was on the Denver drill, which provides different ways to extricate a downed fire fighter from a building. EMS training will be a "landing zone" class. The department would like to do the annual tree lighting and community dinner on Friday, December 3rd. We have received two bids on the pak seat for unit 514; cost will be approximately \$1,500. A motion was made by Jacobs to purchase the seat for the stated price. Seconded by Brown, motion carried. The Department is looking into going with another plan with Verizon for cellular phones. This new plan would allow us to have a phone in five different vehicles.

WATERS BUSINESS GROUP

Scott Bicknel, representing the Waters Business Group reported that the group plans on having a representative at our board meetings. They would also like a representative from the board to attend their meetings. Wagar volunteered and will be attending their future meetings. The tree lighting ceremony will be held on Friday, December 3rd. They have contacted vendors for decorating the poles in the downtown area with garland. The township board would purchase the lights for the poles. They have received quotes from Twigs and Bloom of \$900 and Landscape Plus for \$800. A motion was made by Brown to have Landscape Plus install garland on the poles for \$800. Seconded by Jacobs, Baker abstained, motion carried.

TRUSTEES REPORT

Brown thanked the Fire Department for a very successful Open House that was put on by the Fire Department for Fire Prevention week. Baker has received two bids to replace the boiler at the fire hall. Northwood Plumbing and Heating presented a bid of \$4,450.00, and from Family Plumbing and Heating for \$2,800. After reviewing the bids it was decided to have Trustee Baker go over the bids, confer with both vendors and contact board members by telephone with this decision.

CONSTABLE REPORT

Liquor inspection reports were reviewed by the board. The Parkside Store still does not have a liquor license as they have not supplied the Liquor Control Commission with all of the requested information.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Work has been completed on the Draft Interchange Ordinance. There will be no meeting in November and possibly December.

CEMETERY COMMITTEE REPORT

The next meeting of the cemetery committee will be November 4th at 5:30 p.m. at the township hall.

PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Work has begun on the smaller pavilion at the park. Next meeting will be January or February 2011.

Two bids have been received to repaint the interior of the township hall, excluding the office areas. Four vendors were contacted and we are waiting for all bids to come in before making any decisions.

Wagar has received a contract from the Otsego County Road Commission for repaving West Otsego Lake Drive. They are asking our township to contribute \$132,591 towards the project. A motion was made by Baker to sign the contract with the road commission. Seconded by Brown, motion carried. The road commission is planning to work on Mancelona Road next year and have asked us to partner with them in this project. Estimated cost to the township would be in the \$55,000 to \$65,000 range. The board agreed to partner with the road commission for this project.

Baker will look into prices and draw up a sample picture of how different colors of siding would look on the building.

COUNTY COMMISSION REPORT

Commissioner Backenstose would like the township to again have a newsletter and to have input from everyone. Randy Stults has been reappointed chair of the County Planning Commission.

A request has been received from a person wishing to purchase two lots in the cemetery. He is unable to make full payment but would be willing to make monthly payments to the township. After payment in full a Cemetery Certificate would be completed. The board would be willing to accept payments for the lots.

Arrow Sanitation has been sold to American Waste. Arrow Sanitation has smaller trucks than American so it would be a benefit if we could get rid of the dumpster at Chub Lake.

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE TOWNSHIP

A resident would like to see if there is anyway of preventing the use of “Jake Brakes” by the trucks that pass through Waters. Wagar will speak to the road commission and see if it would be possible to put up some signs addressing this problem.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. Next regular meeting will be on November 18, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.