

**PROPOSED OTSEGO LAKE TOWNSHIP
BUDGET HEARING AND MINUTES
MARCH 15, 2012**

The budget hearing was called to order at 6:30 p.m. All board members present and five audience members. The budget was explained and questions were answered. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

The regular monthly board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Wagar with the Pledge of Allegiance.

CLERKS REPORT

A Motion made by Brown to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 16, 2012 regular meeting and the Election Commission meeting of February 16, 2012, and the Special Meeting of March 8, 2012. Seconded by Jacobs, motion carried. A motion was made by Brown to approve bills for the General Fund of \$12,871.47, Fire Fund \$9,368.10, and Trash Fund of \$15,162. Seconded by Jacobs, motion carried. A motion made by Baker and seconded by Brown to approve the budget by cost center for the fiscal year of April 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013. A motion to adopt the salary resolution for all township employees except board members for FY 2012-2013 was made by Baker and Seconded by Brown. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion to adopt resolution carried. A motion to adopt the resolution to approve the salary for the Supervisor of \$19,065 per year was made by Jacobs and seconded by Baker. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion to adopt resolution carried. A motion was made by Jacobs and seconded by Baker to adopt the resolution to set the salary of the Clerk at \$16,025. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion to adopt resolution carried. A motion was made by Brown to set the salary of the Treasurer at \$26,025 per year, seconded by Baker. Roll call vote; all ayes, motion to adopt resolution carried. A motion was made by Jacobs and seconded by Baker to set the salary of the Trustees at \$3,850 per year for each trustee. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion to adopt resolution carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

GENERAL FUND

Beginning Balance	\$1,251,406.79
Receipts	68,025.43
Disbursements	18,435.13
Ending Balance	\$1,300,997.09

TAX ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance	\$264,483.62
Receipts	782,124.16
Disbursements	775,568.04
Ending Balance	\$271,039.76

FIRE FUND

Beginning Balance	\$ 194,964.69
Receipts	23.04
Disbursements	3,790.85
Ending Balance	\$ 191,196.88

TRASH FUND

Beginning Balance	\$114,293.61
Receipts	12.28
Disbursements	15,162.00
Ending Balance	\$ 99,143.89

A motion was made by Baker to approve the treasurer's report as read. Seconded by Brown, motion carried.

We have received a request from Mark Morrell of Department of Human Services to use the township hall every 4th Monday of the month for a support group meeting of foster parents. They would need a place where parents can meet and a separate area for the children to gather under supervision. It was decided to try it on a six month basis and see how it works. Possibly if the weather is nice they could use the township park.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Shelly reported that there were twenty four runs since last month, twenty were EMS calls. EMS training will be on combi-tube and airway management, and fire training will be on grass fires. A CPR refresher will be held in April. Air paks have been tested and passed. We have received ten new batteries for our handheld radios from 911. We are beginning to review our training policies.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Brown met with Chief Shelly and worked on tweaking some policies and looking at solutions for problems with training and testing after finishing classes.

PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT

Received notification from Grants Management, Department of Natural Resources that our Park and Recreation Plan that we submitted has been approved. It is good through December 31, 2017.

CEMETERY REPORT

As the snow is melting rapidly C2A should be able to begin the survey of the old section of the cemetery and hopefully locate grave sites in the old section.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT

Commissioner Backenstose would like to encourage the township to consider paying board members per diem to attend area meeting. The next Otsego County Township Officers meeting will be Tuesday, March 20, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. at Charlton Township Hall. Also updated the board on other happenings in the county.

CONSTABLE REPORT

Everything checked out at the establishments selling liquor. Board reviewed and initialed reports. Received notification that in the future all requests for new liquor licenses must go through the local unit of government before being approved.

OLD BUSINESS

The contract for the special assessment for treating milfoil in Bradford Lake was sent to our attorney. He has rewritten the last paragraph. A motion was made by Baker to have Supervisor Wagar sign the new version as changed by our attorney. Seconded by Brown, motion carried.

Michael Buckley, President of Michaywe Owners Association addressed the board concerning a parcel of land that was to be included as green space but was held onto by the developer years ago. It went up for tax sale and was quite claimed deed to the Michaywe Owners Association. The board has no objections returning this property to green(open) space.

According to Sam Smith, Thunder Over Waters is scheduled for this labor day.

NEW BUSINESS

During the recent power outage, the township hall was designated an emergency shelter. A CERT from Crawford County was at our hall and the Red Cross van was here with cots if needed. The Red Cross will provide cots for use in future emergencies which can be stored in our basement. We need to have a system in place to get the word out during emergencies and to let township officials and our fire chief know what is taking place.

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE TOWNSHIP

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. Next regular meeting will be held on April 19, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.