

**OTSEGO LAKE TOWNSHIP
PUBLIC HEARING AND MINUTES
September 15, 2016**

The public hearing for the Fire Department Special Assessment District was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Questions answered and concerns were heard from the audience. Hearing adjourned at 7:00 p.m. The regular monthly meeting was called to order by Supervisor Wagar at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present; Wagar, J. Brown, M. Brown, Johnson and Markovich. Absent Constable Coutant. Also present 13 audience members.

CLERKS REPORT

A motion was made by Wagar to accept the minutes with corrections. Seconded by Johnson, motion carried. A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by J. Brown to pay bills for the General Fund of \$29,263.00, Fire Fund \$23,255.23, and Trash Fund \$15,957.76. A motion to approve the resolution for the Special Assessment District for Fire Protection at 1.05 mills to generate \$152,915.55 was made by M. Brown and seconded by Johnson. Roll call vote; M. Brown, aye; J. Brown, aye; Wagar, aye; Markovich, aye; and Johnson aye. Motion to adopt the resolution carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

GENERAL FUND

Beginning Balance	\$801,879.94
Receipts	7,139.96
Disbursements	33,328.83
Ending Balance	\$775,691.07

FIRE FUND

Beginning Balance	\$307,470.22
Receipts	63.81
Disbursements	9,287.73
Ending Balance	\$298,246.30

TAX ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance	\$201,806.70
Receipts	413,467.74
Disbursements	465,598.35
Ending Balance	\$149,676.09

TRASH FUND

Beginning Balance	\$104,254.34
Receipts	5.21
Disbursements	16,458.76
Ending Balance	\$ 87,800.79

A motion was made by Johnson to accept the treasurer's report as of August 31, 2016. Seconded by Markovich, motion carried.

A presentation on the proposed library millage request for façade improvement and expansion of .375 mills for 6 years that will be on the November 8, 2016 ballot was given by M. Derenzy.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

There were a total of sixteen calls for the month of August 2016. We have two new members, Ted Williams and Eric Strother. One member from the department is attending the MFR class which started on September 9th.

CONSTABLE/ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

Report given by J. Brown in the absence of the Constable. Everything checked out during the monthly liquor establishment inspections. Received a complaint about a messy yard on Primrose St. and a burned out house in Guthrie Lakes that occurred in June of this year. Both have been turned over to the County,

FIRE LIAISON/TRUSTEE REPORT

M. Brown reported that our fire department is not being paged for moving accidents in the township. M. Brown presented a policy letter that needs to be signed by the township board asking that dispatch page our department for accidents. Discussion followed as to whether we sign it now or wait and find out the reason for not being paged. Wagar will contact Jackie about this problem and we will address the matter at our next meeting. Will check into getting a credit card for incidentals for the firemen to be able to purchase during runs and when minor supplies are needed. Tucker will control the card and be the signer. Mary will work on a policy for the card. Will continue to look for the contract for Landscape Plus and will put the grounds maintenance contract out for bid in the spring.

TRUSTEE REPORT/JOHNSON

Johnson spoke to the Road Commission about the work in the little village. There is one more coat plus a fog coat to apply and the work in that area will be complete. He has not heard anything back from Sandra Montgomery concerning selling part of the Schotte property she purchased to the township. Johnson will try to contract her again about this matter. Wade Trim is working on the proposed sidewalk on Passenheim.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Report presented by Johnson. Madonna Sussex attended the meeting and has no plans to resign. Continued working on the Master Plan Update.

PARKS AND RECREATION

No meeting was held this month. Johnson spoke to Wohlfeil concerning his questions about the pavilion. She answered most of them to his satisfaction.

CEMETERY COMMITTEE REPORT

Report given by Black. No action to be taken to improve the driveway and parking area until next year. Sacred Spaces have finished work on the headstones and all are repaired. Have put up "Do Not Drink Water". The committee will be revising the cemetery ordinance.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT

Commissioner Backenstose reported on problems with the recycling bins in the county always being full. They are looking into trying to come up with a solution to this problem. Also reported on other happenings in the county.

OLD BUSINESS

Several residents of Chub Lake expressed their disapproval over the proposed "Wake" Restriction request brought to the board in June of this year. No official action has been taken to date on this matter.

A motion was made by J. Brown to purchase the property to the north of the town hall. After discussion the motion died for lack of a second. It may be brought up again next month.

A motion was made by Johnson to proceed with the renewal of the Bradford Lake Special Assessment #12 for Milfoil eradication. The assessment would be for 5 years and cost \$75.00 per residence. Seconded by Markovich, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Maureen ~~Dereny~~ Derenzy would like to speak to the Thunder Over Waters Committee or Chair of the committee about the placement of children's games during Thunder Over Waters.

Heard from candidates running for election in the November 8, 2016 election.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p. m. Next regular meeting will be held on October 20, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Lorraine Markovich, Clerk
Otsego Lake Township