

ONOTA TOWNSHIP BOARD
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
MAY 1, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Present: Terry Pihlainen, Supervisor
 Brian Bresette, Trustee

 Cheryl Lane, Treasurer
 Kirsten Blackstock, Deputy Clerk

Absent: *Catherine Kimar, Clerk* *Connie Lacko, Trustee*

II. AGENDA

A motion was made to accept the agenda as amended (Add under new business deputy clerk additional pay for additional election/clerk duties in Clerk Kimar's absence.)

Motion: Brian Bresette
Support: Cheryl Lane
Motion carried.

III. MINUTES

A motion was made to accept the minutes as presented.

Motion: Brian Bresette
Support: Cheryl Lane
Motion carried.

IV. REPORTS

A. Financial Report

The treasurer presented the bills for payment.

A motion was made to pay the monthly bills as presented:

- » \$12,511.33 for the general fund, checks #5685 to #5703;
- » \$4,195.32 for the fire fund, checks #2149 to #2151; and
- » \$5,740.34 for the solid waste fund, check #1255.

Motion: Brian Bresette
Support: Terry Pihlainen
Motion carried.

Roll call vote
Ayes: Cheryl Lane
 Terry Pihlainen
 Brian Bresette

Gen: \$764,434.26
Fire: \$380,245.10
SW: \$160,985.25
Tax: \$2,081.05

A motion was made to approve the monthly balance sheet and profit & loss statements for the general fund, fire fund, solid waste fund and tax fund as presented by the deputy clerk.

B. Assessor Report

There was no report made available this month.

C. Zoning Administrator Report

The supervisor read the report from the zoning administrator dated 4/28/23 (*copy on file*).

D. Fire Department Report

There was no report made available this month.

E. Planning Commission Report

Trustee Bresette reported that the planning commission reviewed the preliminary portion of the master plan. Dotty and Jason were in attendance. They should have a draft at the next meeting.

F. Supervisor Report

The supervisor reported on the following:

- * Alger Delta - are doing clearing and will be installing new power poles.
- * Brownfield Authority - some old properties along the highway? He doesn't have much info yet.

V. CORRESPONDENCE

- * NONE

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Opened: 7:10 pm

Comment was received from:

Jerry Gerou - will there be voting tomorrow?

Terry Lane - installed hardware on ladies bathroom door

Mark Fisher - is township still looking for a brush truck? Also brought up concerns with blight/trash deep in woods.

Jerrod Biebel - MI class program - cash reserves, higher interest rates, he will look into how money is insured.

Closed: 7:17 pm

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NONE

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Deputy clerk additional pay

Supervisor Pihlainen made a motion to pay Deputy Clerk Blackstock the clerk's wage for the month of May due to her additional duties involved with running the election in Clerk Kimar's absence.

Motion: Terry Pihlainen

Support: Cheryl Lane

Motion carried.

Roll call vote

Ayes: Cheryl Lane

Brian Bresette

Terry Pihlainen

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

Opened: 7:19 p.m.

Comment was received from:

Mark Fisher - Condition of Peter White road/ puddling

Jerrod Biebel - vacation rental discussion, process, undeveloped lots

Closed: 7:36 p.m.

X. BOARD CONCERNS

Cheryl- had a resident asking when is roll off

Cheryl- hall is reserved for May 6th, may want someone here?

Brian- did Catherine ever order the books for the planning commission? Terry will look into + order if not

Kirsten- appreciated Cheryl for all her help in getting ready for election

XI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Motion: Brian Bresette

Support: Terry Pihlainen

Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kirsten Blackstock
Onota Township Deputy Clerk
Proposed: 5/1/23
Approved: 6/5/23