

ONOTA TOWNSHIP BOARD
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 4, 2016

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Terry Pihlainen, Supervisor Susan Kerst, Treasurer
 Brian Bresette, Trustee Char McDonnell, Trustee

Members Absent: Kirsten Blackstock, Clerk

II. AGENDA

A motion was made to accept the agenda as presented/amended.

Motion: Char McDonnell
Support: Susan Kerst
Motion carried.

III. MINUTES

A motion was made to accept the minutes as presented.

Motion: Susan Kerst
Support: Brian Bresette
Motion carried.

IV. REPORTS

Supervisor Pihlainen reported that he is working with John Parlin, the DNR and the Forestry Service on the Tyoga Trail. He also stated that representatives from these entities will attend a Township Board meeting once a plan for the property is formulated.

Then, Supervisor Pihlainen also reported that he will be meeting with Bob Lindbeck from the Alger County road commission to discuss road Improvements for the coming year.

A. Financial Report

Treasurer Kerst presented the bills for payment for the end of fiscal 2015. A motion was made to pay the bills as presented for payment for

\$2,581.05 for the general fund checks #3298+3300-3319; \$793.57 for the fire fund, checks #1588-1595; and \$4,944.66 for the solid waste fund check # 1118.

Motion: Susan Kerst
Support: Char McDonnell
Motion carried.

Treasurer Kerst presented the bills for payment for April 2016. A motion was made to pay the bills as presented for payment for \$6,108.61 for the general fund checks # 3320-3342; \$100.00 for the fire fund, check # 1596; solid waste \$0.

Motion: Susan Kerst
Support: Brian Bresette
Motion carried.

Treasurer Kerst also presented the balance sheet and profit and loss statement for the end fiscal 2015. A motion was made to approve the balance sheet and profit and loss statements for the general fund, fire fund, solid waste fund and tax fund as prepared by Clerk Blackstock.

Motion: Brian Bresette
Support: Susan Kerst
Motion carried

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Terry Pihlainen
Char McDonnell
Brian Bresette
Susan Kerst

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Motion: Susan Kerst
Support: Char McDonnell
Motion carried

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Terry Pihlainen
Char McDonnell
Brian Bresette

Susan Kerst

B. Assessor Report

The Assessor Schmidt's report was read, report dated 3/29/16. A copy is on file.

C. Zoning Administrator Report

Zoning Administrator Mark Willard presented his report dated 3/30/16. A copy is on file.

D. Fire Department Report

James Short read the Fire Department Report dated 4/4/16. A copy is on file.

E. Planning Commission Report

The Planning Commission Report was given by Brian Bresette. He stated, that the Planning Commission and Township Board needed to look at an ordinance regarding marijuana dispensaries per CUPPAD.

V. CORRESPONDENCE

Letters were read from Kate Zimmer regarding budgeting, Wil Christensen regarding hazardous waste and MTA regarding upcoming training seminars.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Wil Christensen suggested adding the assessor's info to the website.

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James Short had a question regarding FEMA.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Key Policy

Supervisor Pihlainen reported that the new key box has been installed in the township office and that the recommendations to change the key policy would be tabled until the May meeting.

B. Postcard Sample for May Roll off

Clerk Blackstock presented the postcard sample for the May 2016 Dumpster roll off. After board review the sample was revised to include Items that will not be accepted.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Fire Department Radio Request

The board voted to approve a cost not to exceed \$1975.00 in this fiscal year and discussed replacing the old radios at a rate of one per year. The board had questions as to the disposition of the old radios and are waiting for the fire department to provide that information.

Motion: Susan Kerst
Support: Char McDonnell
Motion carried

Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Terry Pihlainen
Char McDonnell
Brian Bresette
Susan Kerst

B. FOIA Requests

This item was tabled until the May meeting.

C. Planning Commission Appointment Renewal

The board voted to reappoint Cheryl Lane to another term on the planning commission.

Motion: Terry Pihlainen
Support: Susan Kerst
Motion carried

D. Zoning Board of Appeals Appointments

The board voted to appoint Jim Stone, Martin Dolan and David White (alternate) to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Motion: Terry Pihlainen
Support: Susan Kerst
Motion carried

Roll Call Vote
Ayes: Terry Pihlainen
Susan Kerst
Brian Bresette
Nays: Char McDonnell

E. 2016 Audit Cost

The board voted to approve up to \$3500.00 for the mini audit for fiscal 2015.

Motion: Susan Kerst
Support: Brian Bresette
Motion carried

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

X. BOARD CONCERNS

Char McDonnell had a question with regard to planning.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Motion: Brian Bresette
Support: Char McDonnell
Motion carried
Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry Pihlainen
Onota Township Supervisor
Proposed: 4-04-16
Approved: 05-02-16

