

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE OTSEGO TOWNSHIP BOARD  
HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Otsego Township Board was held on Monday, December 11, 2017 at the Otsego Township Hall, 400 North 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Otsego, Michigan.

Members Present: Supervisor Winn, Clerk Squibbs, Treasurer Lunarde-Alexander, Trustees Bumgart, Burns, Moll and McPherson.

Members Absent: None.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

**Consent Agenda:**

A motion by Squibbs with support by McPherson was made to approve the consent agenda consisting of the November 13, 2017 Board Minutes, Agenda Items, Budget Adjustments and Payment of Bills in the amount of \$80,148.54.

Roll Call: Yes – McPherson, Burns, Moll, Bumgart, Lunarde-Alexander, Squibbs, Winn.  
No – None.  
Motion carried.

**Open Forum:**

Gale Dugan was present from the Allegan County Board of Commissioners. He spoke about a grant State Representative Mary Whiteford had procured to study the Kalamazoo River for recreation possibilities. He also indicated there would be information coming from the Allegan County Health Department regarding cost sharing of the regional depot sites. Representative Mary Whiteford gave a presentation on items she has been working on over the past year including auto insurance reform, improving access to mental health services and opportunities for the Kalamazoo River. Mark Lovett presented information about maps available for purchase from the Historical Society. Karen Burns indicated she would purchase and gift to the Township framed prints to be hung in the Township hall.

**Old Business:**

- 1. Fire Department Staffing:** Fire Chief Weber reported the City of Otsego has hired a current part time police officer to work in a full time position at the fire station. This is a temporary position being filled to evaluate the feasibility of having a full time staff person at the fire department. The individual is a certified first responder/EMS, firefighter and police officer. He will be stationed at the fire station Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm for the next few months to see if this will alleviate staffing shortages occurring from using a strictly on call, volunteer fire staff.

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**New Business:**

1. **Adoption of Water Asset Management Plan:** A resolution was presented to adopt the required Water Asset Management Plan. Prein and Newhof, the Township engineers, have prepared the required documents for submittal to the State of Michigan. A copy of the Plan and the Program to implement the Plan was provided to the Board members to review. Motion by Burns with support by Moll to approve the resolution.  
Roll call: Yes – McPherson, Burns, Moll, Bumgart, Lunarde-Alexander, Squibbs, Winn  
No – None.  
Motion carried.
  
2. **Fireworks Permit:** Captain Boom Fireworks LLC submitted a request for a fireworks permit for a display on December 31, 2017 at Bittersweet Ski Area. A Certificate of Insurance was submitted with the application. Motion by McPherson with support by Lunarde-Alexander to approve the fireworks permit.  
Yes – 7, No – 0. Motion carried.
  
3. **Corrpro Maintenance Agreement Proposal:** The Township received a maintenance agreement proposal from Corrpro to provide an inspection of the cathodic protection corrosion control equipment in the water tower. Public Works Manager Cushman recommended Plan C Service which includes one site visit to inspect, monitor, test, clean and adjust the system for optimum corrosion control on the submerged metal surface of the tank. Motion by Burns with support by Winn to accept the Plan C Service maintenance proposal from Corrpro.  
Roll call: Yes – McPherson, Burns, Moll, Bumgart, Lunarde-Alexander, Squibbs, Winn  
No – None.  
Motion carried.

**Communications and Reports:**

Jeff Polonowski spoke to the Board indicating trucks from the Konos Farm had crushed a concrete culvert at 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 22<sup>nd</sup> Street. Supervisor Winn will contact Rob Knecht from Konos. He will also be attending a meeting with the Allegan County Road Commission in January and will discuss the level of truck traffic on the roads near the Konos Farm.

With no further business before the Board, a motion by McPherson with support by Winn was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Yes – 7, No – 0. Motion carried.

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Joan Squibbs, Clerk

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Bryan Winn, Supervisor

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I, the undersigned Joan Squibbs, the duly qualified and elected Clerk for the Township of Otsego, Allegan County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the Township Board of said Township at a regular board meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of December 2017.

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Joan Squibbs, Clerk  
Otsego Township