

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE OTSEGO TOWNSHIP BOARD
HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Otsego Township Board was held on Monday, October 9, 2017 at the Otsego Township Hall, 400 North 16th 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 Winn was made to approve the consent agenda consisting of the September 11, 2017 Board Minutes, Agenda Items and Payment of Bills in the amount of \$396,306.94.

Roll Call: Yes – McPherson, Burns, Moll, Bumgart, Lunarde-Alexander, Squibbs, Winn.

No – None.

Motion carried.

Open Forum:

Andrea Estelle was present from the Otsego Public Library. She presented a Strategic Plan Update which detailed the library's accomplishment from the previous five years and outlined goals for the next five years. Gale Dugan was present from the Allegan County Board of Commissioners. He gave a brief summary of county business. He indicated he had spoken in favor of pursuing a Headlee Amendment Override on a ballot as a means to increase County revenue. He feels this will benefit not only law enforcement but departments county wide. Fire Chief Weber was also in attendance. He reported the new radio system would be active soon with training continuing through the month. The new radio system offers seamless communication across fire, police and EMS departments. He also indicated he had taken delivery of the new medical squad vehicle but was waiting on some equipment to be installed before the vehicle could be placed in service. Improvements to the fire station are ongoing.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

1. **Proposal for Technical Review of Zoning Ordinance:** McKenna Associates submitted a proposal to review the Township Zoning Ordinance to insure it would align with the newly updated Master Plan. Three meetings with the Planning Commission will be scheduled to review and implement any changes necessary and address any issues raised by Planning Commission members. Motion by Burns with support by Moll to accept the proposal from

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McKenna Associates to perform a technical review of the Township Zoning Ordinance with a cost not to exceed \$5,900.

Roll Call: Yes – McPherson, Burns, Moll, Bumgart, Lunarde-Alexander, Squibbs, Winn.

No – None.

Motion carried.

2. **Bids for Snowplowing:** Public Works Manager Cushman had requested bids to have snowplowing done at the Township Hall and on the bike path alongside M-89. Former contractors Harold Immekus and Steve Drewyor both declined to bid on these projects. A bid was received from MnS Lawn Care Services to perform both projects, because MnS Lawn Service has an established relationship with the Township no further bids were solicited. Motion by McPherson with support by Burns to accept the bid from MnS Lawn Service for snowplowing at a rate of \$75 per hour for the Township Hall parking lots and \$65 per hour for the bike path along M-89.

Roll Call: Yes – McPherson, Burns, Moll, Bumgart, Lunarde-Alexander, Squibbs, Winn.

No – None.

Motion carried.

Communications and Reports:

Roger Austin indicated progress was being made on the eastern portion of 108th Avenue with some excavation and tree work being done.

With no further business before the Board, a motion by Winn with support by McPherson was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Yes – 7, No – 0, Absent – 0. Motion carried.

Joan Squibbs, Clerk

Bryan Winn, Supervisor

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 9th day of October 2017.

Joan Squibbs, Clerk
Otsego Township