

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE OTSEGO TOWNSHIP BOARD
HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Otsego Township Board was held on Monday, March 11, 2019 at the Otsego Township Hall, 400 North 16th Street, Otsego, Michigan.

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

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 Lunarde-Alexander with support by McPherson was made to approve the consent agenda consisting of the February 11, 2019 Board Minutes, Agenda Items, and Payment of Bills in the amount of \$218,571.79.

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. Bob Genetski from the Allegan County Clerk office presented his annual report. Dave Bellingar from the Ted Hartleb Insurance Agency presented a proposal for insurance coverage.

Old Business:

1. **Dust Control Bids:** Bids from Great Lakes Chloride and Southwestern Michigan Dust Control were submitted for dust control to be applied to the northern portion of the Township. Bids from Southwestern Michigan Dust Control and SWB Enterprise LLC were submitted for dust control to be applied to the southern portion of the Township.

Motion by McPherson with support by Moll to accept the bid from Great Lakes Chloride to apply 35% calcium chloride to the northern portion of the Township at \$0.587 per gallon with two applications.

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

No – None.

Motion carried.

Motion by McPherson with support by Lunarde-Alexander to accept the bid from SWB Enterprises, LLC to apply oil brine to the southern portion of the Township at \$2,835.00 per application with three applications.

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

No – None.

Motion carried.

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New Business:

1. **Planning Commission Appointments:** Two planning commission members terms will expire at the end of March.
Motion by Winn with support by Burns to appoint Scott Reising and Mike Bosch to serve three year terms on the Planning Commission commencing April 1, 2019.
Y – 7, N – 0. Motion carried.
2. **Library Board Appointments:** Two library board members terms will expire at the end of March.
Motion by McPherson with support by Moll to appoint Jackie Bennett and David Goodrich to serve three year terms on the Library Board commencing April 1, 2019.
Y – 7, N – 0. Motion carried.
3. **Insurance Bid:** Bids from Ted Hartleb Insurance Agency and Decker Agency were received to provide general insurance to the Township.
Motion by Winn with support by Burns to accept the bid from Ted Hartleb Insurance Agency in the amount of \$19,047.00 to provide general insurance for the fiscal year April 2019 through March 2020.
Roll Call: Yes – McPherson, Burns, Moll, Bumgart, Lunarde-Alexander, Squibbs, Winn.
No – None.
Motion carried.
4. **Mowing Bid:** A bid was received from Property Revolutions, LLC to provide mowing and trimming at Mountain Home Cemetery.
Motion by McPherson with support by Winn to accept the bid from Property Revolutions, LLC to provide mowing and trimming at Mountain Home Cemetery at \$1,385.00 per service.
Roll Call: Yes – McPherson, Burns, Moll, Bumgart, Lunarde-Alexander, Squibbs, Winn.
No – None.
Motion carried.
5. **Ordinance 317 – Updated Zoning Ordinance:** The Planning Commission has finished a complete review and update of the Otsego Township Zoning Ordinance. They are recommending approval of the updated and amended Zoning Ordinance to the Township Board in a motion from their March 4, 2019 meeting.
Motion by Burns with support by McPherson to approve Ordinance 317 to adopt the new Zoning Ordinance.
Roll Call: Yes – McPherson, Burns, Moll, Bumgart, Lunarde-Alexander, Squibbs, Winn.
No – None.
Motion carried.
6. **Policing and Fire Protection Letters from the City of Otsego:** Discussion was held regarding proposals from the City of Otsego for the potential hiring of a police officer to serve in the Township and the status of firefighters being considered employees versus volunteer.

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7. **Budget Discussion:** Preliminary budgets were presented to the Board. Public Works Manager Cushman presented reports regarding work being done at the cemetery and in the public utility area of the Township. It is his intention to purchase a new tractor for the cemetery from funds set aside for this purpose. The tractor being replaced at the cemetery will be sold to the public utility department for use there. Finalized versions of the budgets will be sent to board members prior to presentation for approval at the Annual Meeting scheduled for Saturday, March 30, 2019 at 1:00 pm.

Communications and Reports:

A letter was received from James Frederick and Jerry Vander Roest was present to solicit votes for the position of Michigan Township Association District 19 Director.

With no further business before the Board, a motion by Winn with support by Moll was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 p.m.

Yes – 7, No – 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 11th day of March, 2019.

Joan Squibbs, Clerk
Otsego Township