

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE OTSEGO TOWNSHIP BOARD
HELD ON MONDAY JULY 11, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Otsego Township Board was held on Monday, July 11, 2022, at the Otsego Township Hall, 400 North 16th Street, Otsego, Michigan.

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

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 Winn with support by Burns was made to approve the consent agenda consisting of the June 13, 2022, Township Board meeting minutes, journal entries, bills in the amount of \$75,917.01 and the addition of election inspector pay evaluation to the agenda.

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

No – None.

Absent- None.

Motion carried.

Open Forum:

County Commissioner Dugan presented the board with information about meetings over the past month. He also gave each board member a copy of the County's monthly update brochure. He passed out a pamphlet on the senior citizens millage renewal for the board to review as well.

Fire Chief Weber was present and gave updates from the Otsego Fire department over the last month including staffing changes. He mentioned that the fire department is still looking for new people to join their department. The city is also hoping to have ballot wording for the May Special Election in 2023 for the aerial fire truck replacement.

Old Business:

Ground Lease Agreement with Dish: Supervisor Winn updated the board on his correspondence with Dish and said that he has still not received word back from them at this time. He is removing this agenda item from old business at this time.

M89 Streetlights: Supervisor Winn informed the board that this is in process and still moving forward.

New Business:

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Trustee Position: Three gentlemen submitted their resumes and letters of interest to the township board to fill the open trustee position, Robert Fales, Michael Gudith and Noah Boyd. They all introduced themselves to the board and spoke to why they put in for the position. After hearing from each individual, a motion was made by Lunarde-Alexander with support by Burns to appoint Michael Gudith as the seventh trustee to the Otsego Township Board.

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

No – None.

Absent-None.

Motion carried.

C2R2 Grant Agreement: Otsego Township was approved for the C2R2 grant for the Hazelwood neighborhood as they have PFAS in their water. The grant amount is for \$563,027 to extend the township's water main to the Hazelwood neighborhood. A motion was made by Burns with support by Winn to approve the C2R2 Grand Agreement.

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

No – None.

Absent-None.

Motion carried.

Water /Sewer Meetings: The township has been in meetings with financial teams, lawyers, and engineers regarding expanding the water and sewer system in the township. The township is ready to bring information to the neighborhoods directly affected by this. Supervisor Winn called 3 special meetings to accomplish this task. The dates of the special meetings will be Tuesday August 16th, Wednesday August 17th, and Thursday August 18th, 2022, all beginning at 7pm. Letters will be going out to the residents in those neighborhoods in the next couple of weeks.

Election Inspector Pay Evaluation: Due to all of the changes with elections and pay in general, the board discussed increasing the pay of our election workers. There was a motion made by Winn with support by Burns to increase the election inspector pay to \$20 per hour and to increase the chairperson pay to \$25 per hour.

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

No – None.

Absent-None.

Motion carried.

Communications and Reports:

Supervisor Winn, Clerk Colin and Public Works Manager will be attending a meeting at the Allegan County Health Department to present the township's request for the county's ARPA fund match for the water project in Hazelwood.

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The new website for the Township is up and running but still needs things added to it. We are still working on the rest of the updates.

Open Forum: Non-Agenda Items:

None.

With no further business before the Board, a motion by Winn with support by Moll was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:19p.m.

Aye-6, Nay – 0, Absent-0.

Motion carried.

Jen Colin, Clerk

Bryan Winn, Supervisor

I, the undersigned Jen Colin, 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 July 2022.

Jen Colin, Clerk
Otsego Township