OTSEGO LAKE TOWNSHIP

ADOPTED BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 20, 2021

The Otsego Lake Township Board Meeting was called to order at 7PM by Supervisor Matelski. Five board members were present and 7 guest(s).

The meeting was opened by Supervisor Matelski providing a brief update of his activities since last board meeting, which included more talks with Paul from Landscape Plus and street scape activities that have been started on the main downtown street area.

Clerk J Baker requests to adopt corrected minutes from March 18, 2021 board meeting.

1st Motion was made by G Johnson to amend and adopt March 18, 2021 minutes as corrected, seconded by J Brown motion carried.

2nd Motion was made by J Brown to adopt April 15, 2021 minutes as corrected, seconded by M Brown motion carried.

3rd Motion made by J Brown to pay the April/May monthly township bills for General Fund $67,850.17, seconded by M Brown motion carried.

4th Motion made by J Brown to pay the March monthly township bills for Fire Fund $17,890.87, seconded by G Johnson motion carried.

5th Motion made by J Brown to pay the March monthly township bills for Trash Fund $17,608.80, seconded by G Johnson motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT- April 30, 2021

GENERAL FUND		**FIRE FUND**	
Beginning Balance	$716,402.13	Beginning Balance	$325,404.52
Receipts		Receipts	
Disbursements		Disbursements	
Ending Balance	$677,566.34	Ending Balance	$315,795.51
TAX ACCOUNT		**TRASH FUND**	
Beginning Balance	$ 1,002.48	Beginning Balance	$143,652.16
Receipts	1,729.18	Receipts	5.54
Disbursements	0	Disbursements	17,608.80
Ending Balance	$ 1,729.18	Ending Balance	$126,048.90

6th Motion made by G Johnson to accept the Treasurer's report as corrected(date), seconded by M Brown motion carried.

FIRE & EMS REPORT Total Calls 27 – EMS 21, Fire 6, Missed Call(s) 1. Average in route time 6.88 minutes. The new compressor system has been delivered. Dale announced that we have two new members of our fire department: Erik Thorpe & Dustin Gaberdiel.

CONSTABLE & ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT REPORT All checked out zero complaints this month.

TRUSTEE REPORT:

Trustee M Brown – Still working on census update and need to update M Brown email to new provider Google mail.

Fire Liaison – had business meeting w/ Fire Department Officers and went great. FD completed mandatory boat training. Suggested we donate cascade system to MIO FD.

7th Motion made by M Brown to donate cascade system to Mio FD, seconded by J Brown motion carried.

Trustee G Johnson – Bradford Lake Association had meeting w/ DEQ regarding dam inspection upcoming June 15th. Both Crawford and Otsego Counties are involved as well. BLA has $10k in funds currently that could be used to improve the dam. Status of fence next to twp. hall still waiting for resident to include their property line as well (Melissa from trail association). Kirk from Otsego Co. trying to do something regarding utility construction final condition after work was completed from Old State road going south to Waters. Also mentioned what can be done to eliminate ORV traffic on Belle Iron Trail.

PLANNING COMMISSION G Johnson: Lots by water working on rights/restrictions for non-public lake access in certain areas. Special meeting Thursday May 27th to adopt last piece of lots by water.

PARKS & RECREATION – M Coutant: Belle Iron Trail permit still waiting – now for Certificate of Liability from B&F to MDOT. Update of OLT Recreation plan still in progress due early in 2022. Waiting on two bids for new vault toilet. Plans to freshen up Memorial park landscape. Plans do include new parking lines for park along with Basket Ball court.

CEMETERY COMMITTEE J Baker: New business to include amending cemetery ordinance to include cremains burials in old section. Currently there are 63 lots identified to be designated "Cremains Only" in the "Old Section", totaling 1,008 possible cremains lots to be sold. Sections in the ordinance to be reviewed include definitions and monuments. Committee scheduled a walk thru on May 25 to discuss possible summer maintenance projects to help keep the cemetery looking nice.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER Rob Pallarito – Update on "Police Week" sponsored by Gaylord St. Mary's school. Supporting blue masks and gave a blessing of our police department fleet. Otsego County Bus system received two new mini vans to help reduce costs to operate vehicles that carry single riders in remote locations. Informed us of the "all new" County web site – which has a June 10th roll out date. Commission on aging contemplating moving to a new building on Elk view (old Brieght Burn site).

OLD BUSINESS Maintenance contract – ongoing interviews with Paul as list of responsibilities. Board needs to approve Landscape plus one year renewal that started April 01, 2021. No parking signs still in progress. Bank cards have arrived and new letter must be prepared and sent to employees with all associated rules and fees with debit card.

NEW BUSINESS Otsego County Mitigation plan resolution roll call vote.

8th Motion to adopt OCMP was made by J brown and seconded by G Johnson. Roll call vote taken 5 yeas and 0 nays, resolution passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Bob Holmes (Waters Inn) asked for permission to hold "Thunder Over Waters" this year and requested fireworks ordinance application to display. Requested to rent the Township hall for the art fair to be held day of festival. Mike Hougland gave update on the Trail Side Creamery's request for a "Tavern License" in Waters. Mike asked about green trash cans and if there is "fresh coat" of paint in the plans by the township, and if not can he paint them to make nice as it sits near his business on main street Waters. Mike also asked the chief if the fire Department employees would staff a hot dog stand the day of festival. All costs paid by creamery and all profits would benefit the fire department. Chief Tucker said he would have to get back to him on the offer.

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Baker, Clerk