

August 10, 2015

The regular meeting of the Otsego Township Board was held on Monday, August 10, 2015 at the Otsego Township Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Supervisor Winn, Clerk Hunt, Treasurer Squibbs, Trustees Burns, McPherson, Moll and Bumgart. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Hunt and supported by McPherson to approve the consent agenda including bills, minutes and agenda items. Roll call vote showed: McPherson – yes, Burns-yes, Moll-yes, Bumgart-yes, Squibb-yes, Hunt-yes, and Winn-yes. Motion carried.

Open forum: Agenda items: Jon Campbell, County Commissioner said they approve the State of the County report for 2015. They have a new phone system for the 911 center. A proposal has been submitted to allow vets to issue dog licenses as well as the county. They would double their prices but we need to know what services are being added. Kalamazoo County has double the services.

Old Business – None

New Business – Sewer rates: Plainwell has raised their sewer rates to \$7.60 per 1000 gallons. We should be \$0.10 higher. They also raised their IPP to \$0.23.

Motion by Squibbs and supported by Winn to raise the sewer rates to \$7.70 and IPP rates to \$0.23. . Roll call vote showed: McPherson – yes, Burns-yes, Moll-yes, Bumgart-yes, Squibb-yes, Hunt-yes, and Winn-yes. Motion carried.

Work order 19th St.: The County would like to have the work order signed for next year on 19th St. reconstruct. This would be the first mile north of 108th Ave so that the HMA surface could be done after a year of settling.

Motion by Winn and supported by Hunt to sign the work order for 19th St. for 2016. . Roll call vote showed: McPherson – yes, Burns-yes, Moll-yes, Bumgart-no, Squibb-yes, Hunt-yes, and Winn-yes. Motion carried.

Bryan met with Larry on 108th Ave. The County is applying for the grant for 108th Ave. We have entered into an agreement for this to take place.

110th Ave. will be fine for another year.

Tentative bid on Southgate Platt: The road commission meeting for letting of the bids is on Wednesday, 2 days after our meeting. Instead of holding a special meeting Bryan is asking for a limit on the bid.

Motion by Hunt and supported by Moll to approve the bid if under the \$130,000 for Southgate Platt. . Roll call vote showed: McPherson – yes, Burns-yes, Moll-yes, Bumgart-no, Squibb-yes, Hunt-yes, and Winn-yes. Motion carried.

Raise cleaning rates: Deb has been paid \$65.00 per cleaning for many years. She is asking for a \$10.00 raise.

Motion by Hunt and supported by Squibbs to raise the cleaning rates to \$75.00. . Roll call vote showed: McPherson – yes, Burns-yes, Moll-yes, Bumgart-yes, Squibb-yes, Hunt-yes, and Winn-yes. Motion carried.

Communications & Reports: Bryan met with the road commission engineers at the new building. The building is very well plan out.

Bryan asked about the culvert on 22nd St. There are 14 permits at the DEQ pending at this time. We do not know when they will get to it. Konos is planning on doing more for the watershed in their area.

112th Ave. and 12th St. gravel. Bryan asked is the county has a qualified grader person and they answered yes. Don Berens is our superintendent. He worked out of Hamilton as a grader operator. He stated if we cut everything back at once there will be an erosion problem. It takes 4 – 5 years to fix. The grader will be back in September. We cannot cut back all the shoulders at once.

Jefferson Rd – the shoulders have been washed out. The county will build the shoulders up before paving at their expense. The finish date for Jefferson Rd. is October 1, 2015.

The contractors can move projects around at will. All have a finish date of October 1 from the April bid letting.

Southgate will have a finish date of November 14, 2015. The concrete drives in Southgate will be raw cut back 6 – 10 feet.

The Road commission is supposed to be accountable to all the township population.

Open form – Non-agenda items: Discussion was held on 108th Ave. Jarrod is disappointed in all concerned – the township, county and Gun Plain Township.

Bills were submitted as follows:

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| American Business | Copier contract | 25.00 |
| Allegan County Road com. | Gravel | 14879.12 |
| Accident Fund | Workers comp | 1532.00 |
| AT & T | Phone | 101.37 |
| Chuck Cushman | Phone/parts | 105.40 |
| Charter Communications | Internet service | 80.00 |
| Consumers Energy | Electric bills | 1220.12 |
| F & V Operations | Professional service | 310.38 |
| Gordon Water Systems | Cooler rent | 10.00 |
| IIMC | Membership/clerk | 180.00 |
| John Hancock | Pension | 1083.34 |
| Jiffy Print | Maps | 531.34 |
| Consumers Life Ins. | Life Insurance | 64.30 |
| Michigan Gas | Gas/hall/PU | 1074.12 |
| Professional Code | Inspections | 2125.80 |
| Republic | Herby Curby | 60.14 |

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| Shoppers Guide | Public notice | 400.00 |
| Waste Management | Trash pick-up | 9617.68 |
| Water Solutions | Phosphate | 830.00 |
| Eildert Ridderbos | Assessing | 319.79 |
| Patrick Couch | Wages | 470.40 |
| Charles Cushman | Wages | 1052.71 |
| Cynthia Hunt | Wages | 1868.51 |
| Bryan Winn | Wags | 1344.59 |
| Joan Squibbs | Wages | 1908.89 |
| Karen Burns | Trustee | 141.32 |
| Lori Bumgart | Trustee | 186.39 |
| Matthew McPherson | Trustee | 164.60 |
| Richard Moll | Trustee | 192.17 |
| ING Life Insurance | Pension | 150.00 |
| Eildert Ridderbos | Assessing | 230.95 |
| Patrick Couch | Wages | 470.41 |
| Charles Cushman | Wages | 614.12 |
| Butch Bemis | Cemetery/Pu work | 1000.00 |
| Bob's True Value | Parts | 53.27 |
| BS & A | Annual support/assess | 1187.00 |
| Chuck Cushman | AWWA Membership | 178.00 |
| Consumers Energy | Lighting districts | 530.22 |
| City of Otsego | Water/hall | 28.59 |
| City of Otsego | Firetruck parts | 3337.14 |
| Consumers Energy | Electric | 34.03 |
| Fuel Management | Fuel/trucks | 78.24 |
| F & V Operations | Professional services | 4313.62 |
| Home Depot | Parts | 65.38 |
| Kar Laboratories | Water samples | 72.00 |
| M & N Lawn Service | Cemetery/Pu mowing | 5000.00 |
| City of Plainwell | Sewer flow | 26240.77 |
| Siegfried Crandall | Computer work | 250.00 |
| Siegfried, Crandall | Audit | 9500.00 |
| Verizon Wireless | Cell phone | 40.01 |
| West Michigan Uniform | Uniforms | 61.70 |
| AT & T | Phone bills | 362.32 |
| Consumers Energy | Warning siren | 10.637 |
| CT Electrical Services | Installed TVSS per bid | 699.00 |
| Little Pines Services | Cemetery dump truck | 478.99 |
| Quill Corporation | Office supplies | 117.60 |
| Patrick Couch | Wages | 470.40 |
| Charles Cushman | Wages | 614.12 |
| Harold Immekus | Construction Board | 69.26 |
| Scott Wroblewski | Construction Board | 69.26 |

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| Ace Parking Lot Striping | Parking lot striping | 300.00 |
| Chuck Cushman | Classes | 780.00 |
| City of Otsego | Firemen fees | 2136.01 |
| I. T. Right | Website | 500.00 |
| Prein & Newhof | Engineering | 167.40 |
| Purchase Power | Postage by phone | 500.00 |
| Eildert Ridderbos | Assessing | 146.59 |
| Patrick Couch | Wages | 470.40 |
| Charles Cushman | Wages | 614.11 |
| AT & T Mobility | Cell phone | 235.41 |
| Butch Bemis | Cemetery/PU work | 1250.00 |
| Fuel Management | Fuel/trucks | 107.11 |
| Gale Dugan | Cemetery work | 351.00 |
| Kaechele Publications | Public notices | 133.00 |
| Plainwell Redi Mix | Retaining blocks | 1680.00 |
| Patrick Couch | Wages | 470.41 |
| Harold Immekus | Board of Review | 26.16 |
| Charles Cushman | Wages | 597.78 |
| Judith Root | Wages | 272.41 |
| Richard Moll | Board of Review | 26.16 |
| Neil Browne | Board of Review | 26.16 |
| MI Dept. of Treasury | State withholding | 634.69 |
| EFTPS | Federal withholding | 3916.34 |
| Otsego Township | Due from Cemetery | 13876.97 |
| Otsego Township | Due from PU | 43499.16 |

Motion by Hunt and supported by Burns to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.