

October 12, 2015

The regular meeting of the Otsego Township Board was held on Monday, October 12, 2015 at the Otsego Township Hall. The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Supervisor Winn, Clerk Hunt, Treasurer Squibbs, Trustees Burns, Bumgart, McPherson and Moll. 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, Squibbs-yes, Hunt-yes, and Winn-yes. Motion carried.

Open forum: Agenda items: Mike Bumgart asked why we are outsourcing snow plowing. It would take Chuck 3-4 hours to do M-89.

Old Business: None

New Business: Snow plowing: Steve's Excavation submitted a bid of \$70.00 per hour to do M-89. There were no other bids for M-89.

Motion by Burns and supported by Squibbs to use Steve's Excavation for snow plowing M-89. Roll call vote showed: McPherson-yes, Burns-yes, Moll-yes, Bumgart-yes, Squibbs-yes, Hunt-yes, and Winn-yes. Motion carried.

C & H Immekus submitted a bid of \$65.00 to do the hall. KB Construction submitted a bid of \$75.00 to do the hall.

Motion by Hunt and supported by Moll to have C & H Immekus do the snow plowing at the Otsego Township Hall. Roll call vote showed: McPherson-yes, Burns-yes, Moll-yes, Bumgart-yes, Squibbs-yes, Hunt-yes, and Winn-yes. Motion carried.

Work order – Culvert 22nd St.: The work order for the culvert on 22nd St. was received from the county. It will cost \$15,000.00. It will be a 6' culvert instead of 4'. It should be done by the end of October.

Motion by Winn and supported by Hunt to approve the work order. Roll call vote showed: McPherson-yes, Burns-yes, Moll-yes, Bumgart-yes, Squibbs-yes, Hunt-yes, and Winn-yes. Motion carried.

Communications & Reports: The Allegan County Commissioners have sent a sample letter of support to be put on the August 2, 2016 ballot in support of recycling. We are still under the \$25.00 maximum under PA 138 of 1989. This would allow an increase up to \$50.00. We will ask Ben Williams to be here in November. He will be out of town but may be able to come in December.

The Allegan County Road Commission will be able to come to a meeting at 5:30 on November 9 prior to our regular meeting. Lori would like to have an agenda for the meeting.

Bryan said the Parks & Recreation group would like to have the flag football teams use the flat area at the township hall for practice in the fall. It will be discussed further at a later date.

Open forum – Non-agenda items: Jon Campbell said the Emergency Management team is testing fire departments to make sure the masks fit tightly to the face. The county did their budget approval already. The Old Jail is coming down. They are working on a contract for the jail meals, senior meals and congregate meals to be made at the jail.

Lynn Morrell asked if the grant does not come through on 108th Ave. does the board have a plan to fix the roads. Bryan said plan A is the 2017 grant with work done in 2018, Plan B might not come up until after the grant is not awarded. The county needs to give us a plan on what needs to be done. We need to know if it will be federal safety money or township money for the work.

Bills were submitted as follows:

Cynthia Hunt	Wages	1868.51
Bryan Winn	Wages	1344.59
Joan Squibbs	Wages	1908.89
Karen Burns	Trustee	141.32
Lori Bumgart	Trustee	186.40
Matthew McPherson	Trustee	164.60
Richard Moll	Trustee	192.18
ING Life Insurance	Pension	150.00
American Business	Copier contract	25.00
American Plumbing	Refund – meter	330.00
AT & T	Phone bill	97.45
Butch Bemis	Cemetery/PU work	1000.00
Charter Communications	Internet service	80.00
Consumers Energy	Electric bill	2228.01
Deb Otte	Cleaning hall	150.00
Mich. DEQ	Water testing	683.00
Gordon Water	Cooler rent	10.00
John Hancock	Pension	1083.34
Consumers Life Ins.	Life Insurance	64.30
Michigan Gas	Gas/Hall/PU	107.02
Patrick Couch	Wages	470.40
Charles Cushman	Wages	1052.71
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Charles Cushman	Wages	614.13
Allegan County News	Union Enterprise	69.00
Avaya	Phone contract	88.32
Bob’s Hardware	Parts	47.86
Clean Earth	Lift station 13 th St.	3390.50
Consumers Energy	Street lights	532.02

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Consumers Energy	Electric – Cem	46.56
F & V Operations	Professional services	4313.62
Governmental Business	Precinct kits	83.58
Home Depot	Parts	147.72
Kar Laboratories	Water testing	90.00
Kaechele Publications	Public notices	43.40
Mill Assist Services	Balance of leaf vac	118.00
O’Reilly	Parts	10.90
Otsego Township	Office supplies	90.27
Professional Code	Permits	5379.30
City of Plainwell	Sewer flow	24194.62
Purchase Power	Postage	1005.00
Quill Corporation	Office supplies	99.68
Steensma Lawn & Garden	Parts	31.83
USA Blue book	Parts	409.40
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone	40.01
West Michigan Uniforms	Uniforms	49.36
Andrew Webb	Planning Commission	138.53
Jeffery Polonowski	“	69.26
Michael Bosch	“	62.99
Ronald Cade	“	69.27
Roger Rumble	“	69.26
Scott Reising	“	69.26
Tamara Hoppe	“	69.27
William Rohr	“	69.26
Karen Burns	“	29.57
Joan Squibbs	Planning Secretary	44.51
Patrick Couch	Wages	470.41
Charles Cushman	Wages	614.11
AT & T	Phone bills	367.42
Butch Bemis	PU work	1000.00
Consumers Energy	Electric bills	1073.94
F & V Operations	Out of scope work	944.93
Prein & Newhof	Engineering	768.00
Patrick Couch	Wages	470.40
Charles Cushman	Wages	614.11
AT & T Mobility	Cell phone	134.11
City of Otsego	Firemen fees	1904.06
Fuel Management	Fuel/trucks	30.66
Plainwell Redi Mix	Cement	1063.75
Butch Bemis	Cemetery work	1025.00
Gale Dugan	Cemetery help	292.00
Patrick Couch	Wages	470.41

Charles Cushman	Wages	614.11
Judith Root	Wages	324.80
MI Dept. of Treasury	State withholding	620.80
EFTPS	Federal withholding	3877.23
Otsego Township	Due from Cemetery	6695.39
Otsego Township	Due from PU	41582.46

Motion by Hunt and supported by Winn to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.