

September 12, 2016

The regular meeting of the Otsego Township Board was held on Monday, September 12, 2016 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, and Trustees McPherson, Burns, Moll and Bumgart.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Hunt and supported by Winn to approve the consent agenda as presented with 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: Gale Dugan – County Commissioner Elect said the county is working on the 2017 proposed budget. They are talking about a law enforcement millage. The recount is settled and Gale won.

Cheryl Knapp – running for township treasurer – 1st meeting.

Frank Baker – under-sheriff is running for sheriff. He is a 30 year veteran of law enforcement and has 26 years with the Allegan County Sheriff dept.

Brandon Weber – fire chief – They are up 35 calls (519) from last year. He is trained as an EMS and when on duty sometimes goes out on medical calls. They budgeted for station improvements such as doors, windows, insulation etc. but because of the first millage failing it has been put on hold until next year. The grass truck is being looked into. The township will pay the total cost. Air packs will need to be replace after 15 years. The cost is shared by both units. This should be January 2021. There are 19 air packs and 38 bottles. Cost is about \$55,000. They were originally bought with FEMA grant money but there will be no money now. There have been a lot of calls on suicidal and domestic violence.

Old Business: Road plan: The only gravel for this year was Hill Rd. In January we will pick and choose what to do for 2017. We will know soon about the 108th Ave. grant.

The culvert on 110th Ave. near 15th St. may be the county’s responsibility. Lori thought they were filing for a permit from the DEQ. We will revisit in November.

New Business: Lease extension: Crown Castle for the AT & T site would like a 20 year extension. They have 15 years left on the current contract. This would be a 35 year total. There is a maximum of 3 carriers on a pole. We think both poles are full.

Motion by Hunt and supported by Moll to approve the contract. Motion carried.

Communications & Reports: None

Open forum: Non-agenda items: None

Bills were submitted as follows:

American Office Solutions	Copier contract	25.75
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Allegan County Treasurer	Tax tribunal	223.65
Accident Fund	Workers comp	1402.00
AT & T	Phone	133.50
Charter Communications	Internet Service	89.98
CHS	Cemetery fuel	29.89
Consumers Energy	Electric bills	1486.42
Gordon Water Systems	Cooler rent	10.00
John Hancock	Pension	1100.00
Consumers Life Ins.	Life insurance	64.30
Michigan Gas Utilities	Gas/PU	46.70
Patrick Couch	MAA class	179.38
River Town Enterprises	Accuracy test	491.00
Waste Management	Trash Pick-up	7196.88
Water Solutions	Phosphate	1095.00
Cynthia Hunt	Wages	1868.30
Bryan Winn	Wages	1344.59
Joan Squibbs	Wages	1908.69
Karen Burns	Trustee	141.32
Lori Bumgart	Trustee	186.39
Matthew McPherson	Trustee	177.81
Richard Moll	Trustee	186.40
ING Life Insurance	Pension	150.00
Patrick Couch	Wages	470.31
Charles Cushman	Wages	1153.66
Patrick Couch	Wages	470.30
Charles Cushman	Wages	641.94
Alexander Chemical	Chemicals	561.00
Allegan County BPW	Bond interest	8797.50
Apex Software	Sketching software	235.00
Butch Bemis	Cemetery work	900.00
Bob's Hardware	Ballast	29.99
Consumers energy	Lighting districts	506.94
Cynthia Hunt	Mileage/recount	17.28
City of Otsego	Firemen fees	2103.57
City of Otsego	Water/cemetery	145.83
Consumers Energy	Warning siren	2.22
F & V Operations	Professional services	4318.74
Home Depot	Supplies	183.27
Kaechele Publications	Public Notices	37.20
M n S Lawn Care	Mowing cemetery	1225.00
Professional Code	Inspections	2185.20
City of Plainwell	Sewer flow	33076.78
Prein & Newhof	Engineering	2669.70
Quill Corporation	Office supplies	146.96

Ridderman	Fuel oil	628.60
Schanz Supply	Parts	22.00
Steensma Lawn & Power	Parts	580.62
Tom TerMeer	1337 103 rd Ave	3300.00
Verizon Wireless	Cell phone	40.01
West Michigan Uniform	Uniforms	49.36
AT & T	Phone bills	795.73
Consumers Energy	Electric	49.65
Purchase Power	Postage	499.59
Total Property Management	Lawn Care/PU	300.00
Patrick Couch	Wages	470.30
Charles Cushman	Wages	641.96
Allegan County Road Com.	Hill Rd. gravel	23846.65
AT & T Mobility	Cell phone	135.57
AT & T	Phone bills	795.73
Butch Bemis	Cemetery work	800.00
Deb Otte	Cleaning hall	150.00
McKenna Associates	Master plan	1971.25
M n S Lawn Care	Cemetery lawn care	1225.00
Purchase Power	Postage	499.59
Quill Corporation	Office supplies	60.78
Total Property Management	Lawn Care PU	300.00
Patrick Couch	Wages	470.31
Charles Cushman	Wages	641.96
Andrew Webb	Planning Commission	138.53
Jeffery Polonowski	"	69.26
Michael Bosch	"	62.90
Ronald Cade	"	69.27
Roger Rumble	"	69.26
Scott Reising	"	69.27
Tamara Hoppe	"	69.26
William Rohr	"	69.27
Karen Burns	"	29.57
Cummins Bridgeway	Inspections	558.86
Fuel Management	Fuel/trucks	62.83
Kar Laboratories	Water samples	90.00
Judith Root	Wages	272.41
MI Dept. of Treasury	State withholding	567.82
EFTPS	Federal withholding	3571.98
Otsego Township	Due from Cemetery	10090.80
Otsego Township	Due from PU	58233.77

Motion by Winn and supported by McPherson to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

