

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE OTSEGO TOWNSHIP BOARD
HELD ON MONDAY, July 10, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Otsego Township Board was held on Monday, July 10, 2017 at the Otsego Township Hall, 400 North 16th Street, Otsego, Michigan.

Members Present: Supervisor Winn, Clerk Squibbs, Trustees Bumgart, Burns, Moll and McPherson.

Members Absent: Treasurer Lunarde-Alexander.

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 McPherson with support by Winn was made to approve the consent agenda consisting of the June 12, 2017 Board Minutes, Agenda Items and Payment of Bills in the amount of \$105,025.54.

Roll Call: Yes – McPherson, Burns, Moll, Bumgart, Squibbs, Winn.

No – None.

Absent – Lunarde-Alexander.

Motion carried.

Open Forum:

Gale Dugan was present from the Allegan County Board of Commissioners. He gave a brief summary of county business and informed the Board there will be a meeting on August 2, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Gun Plain Township Hall to discuss public safety and law enforcement funding. He encourage the board members to attend. Fire Chief Brandon Weber was also in attendance. He had provided a summary of the fire department activity and indicated the department was preparing to order the new medical squad vehicle at a cost of approximately \$35,000 to \$40,000.

Old Business:

1. **Chef Container Recycling Contract Extension:** The Township has a contract with Chef Container for recycling services which is due to expire on October 31, 2017. Chef Container presented an amendment to the contract to extend the term of the contract until October 31, 2020 including an annual increase of 3% to offset increases in costs. There had been discussion among the board members regarding a provision in the original amendment that would allow for changes in the contract price based upon unforeseen market increases. Members felt the language of the provision was too vague. At the Township's request, Chef Container removed the provision. Motion by McPherson with support by Moll to approve the contract extension as revised.

Roll Call: Yes – McPherson, Burns, Moll, Bumgart, Squibbs, Winn.

No – None.

Absent – Lunarde-Alexander.

Motion carried.

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2. **Avaya Telephone Proposal:** The current phone system being used in the office is now sixteen years old. A revised quote was received to replace the existing phone system for a cash price of \$5,213.97 rather than as a lease program. Motion by Moll with support by Burns to approve the purchase of a new phone system.

Roll Call: Yes – McPherson, Burns, Moll, Bumgart, Squibbs, Winn.

No – None.

Absent – Lunarde-Alexander.

Motion carried.

New Business:

1. **Site Plan Approval – Arbor Credit Union:** Information was presented to the board. The Planning Commission made a recommendation to approve the site plan presented for the construction of a new building at 1386 M-89 Highway for Arbor Credit Union. Professional Code Inspections and Mike Schwartz, the Township engineer, have reviewed the plans and found them to be adequate and compliant with the Zoning Ordinance. Motion by Burns with support by McPherson to approve the site plan submitted by Arbor Credit Union.

Yes – 6, No – 0, Absent – 1. Motion carried.

2. **Resolution Regarding Culverts:** Mark Evans, the supervisor of Hopkins Township, has requested each Township board in Allegan County adopt a resolution asking the Allegan County Road Commission (ACRC) to begin participating in the cost of replacing culverts larger than 36 inches in diameter. This had been the ACRC policy in the past but was abandoned as road funding decreased. Motion by Burns with support by Moll to adopt said resolution.

Roll Call: Yes – McPherson, Burns, Moll, Bumgart, Squibbs, Winn.

No – None.

Absent – Lunarde-Alexander.

Motion carried.

Communications and Reports: Allegan County Board of Commissioners sent a resolution Opposing Legalization of Marijuana for General Use. The ACRC sent design plans for the work to be performed on east end of 108th Avenue. Fire Chief Weber submitted a report of fire department activity.

With no further business before the Board, a motion by Winn with support by McPherson was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

Yes – 6, No – 0, Absent – 1. Motion carried.

Joan Squibbs, Clerk

Bryan Winn, Supervisor

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I, the undersigned Joan Squibbs, 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 10th day of July 2017.

Joan Squibbs, Clerk
Otsego Township