#### **ONOTA TOWNSHIP BOARD**

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 6, 2020

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Present: Terry Pihlainen, Supervisor

Cheryl Lane, Treasurer Catherine Kimar, Clerk Brian Bresette, Trustee Connie Lacko, Trustee

Absent: none

## II. AGENDA

A motion was made to accept the agenda as amended (under unfinished business - remove item A, note item B is referring to the UP Central Trails grant).

Motion: Brian Bresette Support: Cheryl Lane Motion carried.

### III. MINUTES

A motion was made to accept the minutes as presented.

Motion: Cheryl Lane Support: Brian Bresette

Motion carried.

### IV. REPORTS

### A. Financial Report

The treasurer presented the bills for payment.

A motion was made to pay the monthly bills as presented:

- » \$8,573.64 for the general fund, checks #4573-4601;
- » \$2,664.02 for the fire fund, checks #1940-49; and
- » \$5,449.28 for the solid waste fund, check #1190-91.

Motion: Catherine Kimar Support: Connie Lacko Motion carried.

A motion was made to approve the monthly balance sheet and profit & loss statements for the general fund, fire fund, solid waste fund and tax fund as presented by the clerk.

Motion: Brian Bresette Support: Cheryl Lane

Motion carried.

Roll call vote

Ayes: Catherine Kimar

Cheryl Lane Connie Lacko Terry Pihlainen Brian Bresette Gen: 571,891.66 Fire: 229,498.73 SW: 102,029.58 Tax: 37,451.01

### B. Assessor Report

The clerk read the report from the assessor (copy on file).

## C. Zoning Administrator Report

The zoning administrator was present and gave a verbal summary of his activities (copy on file).

### D. Fire Department Report

Chief Kimar read the Fire Department Report (copy on file).

## E. Planning Commission Report

Trustee Bresette reported that the Planning Commission discussed the recreation plan submission to the DNR, and the March meeting was changed to the 11th due to the conflict with the election and the Board of Review both meeting at the township hall.

# F. Supervisor Report

The supervisor reported on the following:

- \* No progress on cell tower, there are still 6 months left on permit;
- \* Contacted Shane Gibson regarding Burning's Road closure, no response received;
- \* B & G is coming Wednesday to assess hooking up the generator for the township hall; and
- \* Cannot get ahold of the local Safety-T-Kleen regarding the hazmat barrel pickup.

## V. CORRESPONDENCE

- \* MTA Board of Review training opportunity
- \* Answering machine message regarding the duty to pay millages on an empty lot the supervisor agreed to respond to this.

## VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Opened: 7:10 pm

No public comment was received.

Closed: 7:10 pm

### VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### A. UP Central Trails

Dave Whaley attended the meeting to present a letter from UP Central Trails requesting the grant funds for the snowmobile trail grooming. The supervisor agreed to write a letter of support and return it to the organization.

## VIII. NEW BUSINESS

## A. Meeting Schedule Resolution

A motion was made to adopt the new meeting schedule by resolution.

Motion: Catherine Kimar Support: Brian Bresette

Motion carried.

Roll call vote

Ayes: Catherine Kimar

Cheryl Lane Connie Lacko Brian Bresette Terry Pihlainen

## B. Approval of Postage Cost

The clerk requested approval of the \$730 postage as it was divided between the assessor (\$550), township office (\$55), and elections (\$125).

Motion: Brian Bresette Support: Connie Lacko Motion carried,

## IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

Opened: 7:17 pm.

Comment was received from: Terry Lane regarding the cabinet repair and weight in the cabinet near the

sink

Closed: 7:17 pm.

# X. BOARD CONCERNS

Terry Pihlainen – asked clerk to check if SAM account renewal was due (not until April).

Catherine – asked Connie if the flag could be dry cleaned (yes, at no cost).

No other concerns were expressed.

## XI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 pm.

Motion: Catherine Kimar Support: Brian Bresette Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Onota Township Clerk

Proposed: 1/6/20 Approved: 2/3/20