

ONOTA TOWNSHIP BOARD
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
August 4th 2025

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at _7pm

Present: Supervisor: Christopher Hayden Trustee: Jennifer Hough Absent: None
Clerk: Pamela Simmons Trustee: Brian Bressette
Treasurer: Cheryl Lane

II. AGENDA:

A motion was made to accept the agenda with changes (EGLE under correspondence and Kitchen License under unfinished business)

Motion: Brian Bressette
Support: Jennifer Hough
Motion carried. All Ayes

III. MINUTES:

A motion was made to accept the minutes as presented

Motion: Cheryl Lane
Support: Jennifer Hough
Motion carried. All Ayes

IV. Reports

A. Financial Report

The treasurer presented the bills for payment

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

- » \$ 12,304.68 for the general fund, checks # 6483 to # 6511
- » \$ 153.56 for the fire fund, checks # 2263 to # 2264
- » \$ 6,563.46 for solid waste fund, check #1301

Motion: Brian Bressette
Support: Jennifer Hough
Motion carried. All Ayes

Roll Call: Cheryl Lane
Brian Bressette
Christopher Haydon
Jennifer Hough
Pamela Simmons

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 Bressette
Support: Cheryl Lane
Motion Carried: All Ayes

Roll Call: Cheryl Lane
Brian Bressette
Pamela Simmons
Christopher Haydon
Jennifer Hough

Gen: 757,610.48
Fire: 495,379.58
SW: 186,434.96

B. Assessor Report: None

C. Zoning Administrator Report:

Read by Deputy Clerk (copy on file)

D. Fire Department Report: (copy on file)

One call to report, there will be a fire academy In January 2026, will advertise to try and recruit new VFD members

A motion was made by the board to accept the application for a new volunteer fire fighter

Motion: Christopher Haydon

Support: Brian Bressette

Motion Carried: All Ayes

E. Planning Commission Report:

A sub-committee was formed to look into regulations and recommendations for short term rentals, it will be discussed at the next planning commission meeting.

F. Supervisor Report: (copy on file)

The new lawn mower has been purchased, Brownstone dock is repaired and placed back in the water, kitchen has passed the inspection and is ready to be used! New absentee voter drop was installed. The dumpster roll off is scheduled for September 26&27. We had complaints about the dumpsters being over filled.

G. Other Reports : None

V. CORRESPONDENCE: Copies on file

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Opened: 7:11pm

Questions were asked about the moratorium that was put in place for short term rentals, they will be further discussed at the next planning commission meeting.

Concerns were raised about having the boat launch monitored due to the recent dock vandalism, the DNR is working with the township on this matter.

A suggestion was made that the township looks into a propane price lock.

There will be an Alger County Solorize meeting on September 18th from 6-8 at the Munising township hall that all residents are invited to attend. Many questions were asked about solar panels etc.

The question was asked where to find the current township ordinances.

Closed: 7:30pm

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Roll off notices will be worked on

The Property purchase is being worked on with the sellers and township attorneys.

A motion was made to pay the \$ 322 bill to receive the yearly kitchen permit.

Motion: Brian Bressette

Support: Jennifer Hough

Motion carried: All Ayes

Roll Call: Chery Lane

Brian Bressette

Christphor Haydon

Jennifer Hough

Pamela Simmons

VIII. NEW BUSINESS: None

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Opened: 7:40 pm

A question was asked if the fire chief has EV training in case of an auto accident.

Closed : 7:41 pm

X. BOARD CONCERNS:

None

XI. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:42pm

Motion: Christopher Haydon

Support: Brian Bressette

Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Onota Township Clerk

Proposed: August 7th 2025

Approved: 9/2/25