

ONOTA TOWNSHIP BOARD
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
JULY 5, 2016

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Terry Pihlainen, Supervisor
Brian Bresette, Trustee
Kirsten Blackstock, Clerk

Susan Kerst, Treasurer
Charlene McDonnell, Trustee

Members Absent: None

II. AGENDA

A motion was made to accept the agenda as amended.

Motion: Brian Bresette
Support: Charlene McDonnell
Motion carried.

III. MINUTES

A motion was made to accept the minutes as presented.

Motion: Susan Kerst
Support: Brian Bresette
Motion carried.

IV. REPORTS

A. Financial Report

Treasurer Kerst presented the bills for payment.

A motion was made to pay the bills as presented for payment for \$10,692.18 for the general fund checks #3397-3426; \$5,085.02 for the fire fund, checks #1608-1617; and \$7,342.22 for the solid waste fund check #1123.

Motion: Brian Bresette
Support: Susan Kerst
Motion carried.

A motion was made to approve the balance sheet and profit and loss statements for the general fund, fire fund, solid waste fund and tax fund as presented by Clerk Blackstock for July 2016.

Motion: Brian Bresette
Support: Kirsten Blackstock
Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Terry Pihlainen
Charlene McDonnell
Brian Bresette
Susan Kerst
Kirsten Blackstock

B. Assessor Report

Clerk Blackstock read Assessor Schmidt's report dated 07-01-2016. A copy is on file.

C. Zoning Administrator Report

Zoning Administrator Woolard reviewed the monthly report and new items. A copy is on file.

D. Fire Department Report

There was no representation present from the Fire Department at the meeting.

E. Planning Commission Report

Trustee Bresette stated they had quite a turnout at the last meeting, discussion on vacation rentals and a lot of local residents with a majority not for rezoning- told need to follow the proper channels and no further action yet.

A Public Hearing was scheduled for July 12, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. on conditional use permit for a pole barn.

F. Supervisor Report

CUPPAD- \$100 yearly fee came up.

\$150.00 check was received for Mackey grave marker- the stone is not in yet but will get it situated.

Road Projects- Talked about extending the blacktop from the end of road to fire hall, Bob Lindbeck gave idea of cost to also do the parking area immediately in front of hall (\$6,100 additional).

A check was received for \$15,000.00 from Keewenaw Bay Indian Community for the trails.

Supervisor Pihlainen has another survey to take this month on local government units.

V. CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk Blackstock noted the monthly newsletters were available at the board table.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment was opened at 7:18 p.m.

Comment was received from Jerry Gerou, Marie, Mike McKinney, Terry Lane

Public Comment was closed at 7:31 p.m.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. FOIA

Clerk Blackstock presented the fee schedule that is available- she has a good idea of proposed times it will take to gather info and will fill out fee schedule for requests on case by case basis as they are received.

B. Key Policy

Discussion held on items: who/ what/ who needs access. The Clerk and Treasurer will review the fire safe to see if items can move out that are not required.

- C. Fire Department Bill:
Received bill from Pomsl; the Board had approved the estimated cost of up to \$750.00, however the bill was for over \$1500.00. Supervisor Pihlainen will investigate cost with the company, and will pay with the August invoices.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Hall Improvements
The handicap ramp was completed- thank you to Terry L. Electrical update is needed and also work on the bathrooms so they are ADA compliant. Supervisor Pihlainen will write up.

- B. Carbonite Renewal
Clerk Blackstock informed the renewal for Carbonite backup is due in August and asked for approval for up to \$300.00 to renew.

Motion: Brian Bresette
Support: Susan Kerst
Motion carried.

- C. BOR Resolution
Clerk Blackstock read the resolution to set an alternate date of the July BOR date to Monday, July 18, 2016.

Motion: Kirsten Blackstock
Support: Charlene McDonnell
Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote:
Ayes: Kirsten Blackstock
Charlene McDonnell
TerryPihlainen
Brian Bresette
Susan Kerst

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted (#2016-06).

- D. Planning Commission resignation:
A letter of resignation from the Planning Commission was received from Mike Johnson, effective 7/1/16. Terry Pihlainen motioned that we accept the resignation.

Motion: Terry Pihlainen
Support: Brian Bresette
Motion carried.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment was opened at 8:09 p.m.
Public comment was received from Sarah Redmond, Terry Lane.
Public comment was closed at 8:18 p.m.

X. BOARD CONCERNS

Susan Kerst: None

Brian Bresette: None

Charlene McDonnell: Question on chemicals on side of building.

Kirsten Blackstock: Reminded Election Commission the Public Accuracy Test is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 13th.

Terry Pihlainen: Requested Clerk Blackstock look into past minutes to find cost approved/mentioned for road projects.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

Motion: Susan Kerst

Support: Charlene McDonnell

Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kirsten Blackstock
Onota Township Clerk
Proposed: 07-05-2016
Approved: 08-01-2016