

Regular Meeting, Town Of Otto

A regular meeting of the town board of the Town of Otto, Cattaraugus County and the State of New York was held at the Otto Town Hall, 8842 Otto- East Otto Road, Cattaraugus, NY on the 20th day of May 2014.

Present: Ron Wasmund .. Town Supervisor
Paul Stang .. Councilman
James Wojdan .. Councilman
Francis Feth .. Councilman
Trisha Priest .. Town Clerk
Robert Barber Jr. .. Highway Superintendent

Absent:

Others Present:

Brenda Mallaber .. Councilwoman entered the meeting at 7:13pm.
Jeff Hollar .. Code Enforcement Officer entered the meeting at 7:26pm

Community Members Present:

None.

Supervisor Wasmund called the regular meeting to order at 7:00pm.

RESOLUTION 2014-63

Approval of minutes

On a motion made by Councilman Wojdan and seconded by Councilman Feth, the following resolution was

APOPTED Ayes 4 Feth, Stang, Wasmund, Wojdan
Nays 0

Resolved that the minutes of April 15, 2014 be approved as presented.

Old Business Robert Barber Jr. Reported on his progress with naming the right-of-way lane off Dake Hill Road.

It was decided to identify the right-of-way to be named Powerline Lane PVT. There is no other lane with this name in Cattaraugus county. R. Barber was unsuccessful with making contact with Mr. Burr-County Engineer. That department has been overwhelmed as of late. He went to the department of Emergency Services for assistance. It is estimated that the project will be completed within the next two weeks. The signs have been ordered, and will comply with the up and coming road sign regulations. The designation will take effect June 3rd, 2014. Clerk Priest will draft a letter to the county engineer to make formal announcement of the amended resolution 2014-59.

RESOLUTION 2014-64

Resolution 2014-59 AMENDMENT

On a motion made by Councilman Feth and seconded by Councilman Stang, the following resolution was

APOPTED Ayes 5 Feth, Mallaber, Stang, Wasmund, Wojdan
Nays 0

Resolved that Resolution 2014-59 be amended to include the following proclamation:

Resolved that in the best interest for the safety of the residents living along an unmarked private access right-of- way off Dake Hill Road and for the sole purpose of accurate identification the aforementioned right-of-way will be identified as:

Powerline Lane PVT located off Dake Hill Road between Hebner Hill Road and Marek Road.

Whereas, Superintendent Barber has been approved to take action deemed to be necessary to accomplish the 911 identification for said lane.

The above listed designation shall take effect June 3, 2014 and are for identification purposes only. There shall be no obligation in the repair or maintenance of any nature to the private access right-of-way by the Town of Otto, implied or assumed on this day or in the future.

The matter of what to do with the old swivel chairs being stored in the clerk's office had been tabled at the February meeting. a quick discussion was had in regards to marking the chairs as obsolete.

Report of town officials

Supervisor Ronald Wasmund presented the monthly report on the Town's finances for the month of April 2014.

The following correspondence was read into the record:

Real Property tax service: the state aid granted at a reimbursement rate of \$2.176 per parcel for a total in aid distributed to the Town of Otto in the amount of \$17038.62.

Highway Superintendent Robert Barber Jr. referring back to the new sign being ordered for Powerline In PVT, all road signs will have to comply with a larger size and higher reflexivity by 2015. The board should take that expense into budgetary consideration for 2015.

He stated that there was an estimate of \$25,000 in flood damages to the road ways from the severe weather May 12-13th. This amount was applied for in aid. It is unknown at this time with the extensive flood damages throughout Cattaraugus County, how much of the \$25,000 requested will be received.

He compared fuel prices and found that Noco was 3cent cheaper a gallon over Griffith Energy and switched fuel vendors. The new pickup truck is due to arrive in two weeks. P. Lamphier has been out of work after having surgery and is reportedly recovering comfortably. He reported that there had been some vandalizing of the road signs on Zoar Valley Road. The signs had been uprooted and tossed into the ditches. The Highway department was able to get them reposted this week.

Code enforcement Jeff Holler turned in \$180 in building permit fees collected. He reported that there were 10 calls, 5 inspections, 3 permits issued. He is investigation a complaint in regards to a bank owned property and it's upkeep. The lawn needs to be maintained and a letter will be sent to the bank. Mr. Holler also mailed out 4 second notice of violation letters. Mr. Wilder has a few more weeks to continue to correct his violations before the next court appearance. Councilman Wojdan posed a question in regards to the expiration of the building demolition permit issued to Mr. Wilder. Mr. Holler did not have the exact date of expiration for this particular permit on hand. In general, demolition permits have a one year time limit.

A continued discussion was had in regards to the towns concerns on what limitations the town would face to step in and remove the remaining demolition debris and the cost associated with the cleanup efforts, and if those costs could be recouped. Councilman Stang stated that if the incurred cost was levied on the property tax bill and the property was sold at tax auction for nonpayment for less than what was owed the town would not recoup the expense of the clean up. Supervisor Wasmund stated that we would need to start with a public hearing to propose the use of town funds to clean up Mr. Wilder's property.

RESOLUTION 2014-65

Renewal of demolition permits

On a motion made by Councilman Wojdan and seconded by Supervisor Wasmund, the following resolution was

APOPTED Ayes 5 Feth, Mallaber, Stang, Wasmund, Wojdan

 Nays 0

Resolved that demolition permits will not be renewable.

whereas when the permit expires and the demolition project subject to the authorized permit is not completed the town is take action against the property owner in the form of a letter of notice.

whereas in the best interest of public safety the town will move forward with corrective actions.

Town Clerk Trisha Priest presented the board with a monthly review of the town clerks cash flows.

RESOLUTION 2014-66

Audit of Claims

On a motion made by Councilman Feth and seconded by Councilman Wojdan, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Feth, Mallaber, Stang, Wasmund, Wojdan

 Nays 0

Resolved that the bills contained on Abstract #005 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

General Fund	No. 34 through 51	\$ 7,840.33
Highway Fund	No. 53 through 69	\$12,160.39
Water/Sewer	No. 3 through 4	\$ 2,392.41
Light District	No. 1 through 2	\$ 1,067.95
Sewer District	No. 1 through 3	\$ 1,569.60

RESOLUTION 2014-67

Supervisor's Monthly Report

On a motion made by Councilman Wojdan and seconded by Councilman Feth, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Feth, Mallaber, Stang, Wojdan

Nays 0

Resolved that the Supervisor's Monthly report for the month of April 2014 be accepted as submitted.

RESOLUTION 2014-68

Obsolete inventory

On a motion made by Councilman Wojdan and seconded by Supervisor Wasmund, the following resolution was

APOPTED Ayes 5 Feth, Mallaber, Stang, Wasmund, Wojdan

Nays 0

Whereas four (4) wooden swivel office chairs has reached the expiration of their usefulness.

Whereas the four (4) chairs have fallen into disrepair.

The board makes the distinction that the four (4) chairs be moved to obsolete inventory and be disposed of.

With no further discussion, on a motion of Councilman Stang and seconded by Councilwoman Mallaber, the meeting was adjourned at 8:12pm. Carried unanimously.

The next board meeting will be held on June 17, 2014 7PM at the Otto Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Trisha A. Priest, Town Clerk