

## 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 21st day of October 2014.

**Present:** Ron Wasmund .. Town Supervisor  
Brenda Mallaber .. Councilwoman  
Paul Stang .. Councilman  
Francis Feth .. Councilman  
Trisha Priest .. Town Clerk  
Robert Barber Jr. .. Highway Superintendent  
Jeff Holler ..Code Enforcement Officer entered the meeting at 7:45pm  
James Wojdan .. Councilman

### **Others Present:**

George Fantaski of Otto  
Steve Rice and Ryan Frykholm representatives from Simons Consulting

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

### RESOLUTION 2014-90

#### Approval of minutes

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

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

Resolved that the minutes of September 16, 2014 are approved with one correction changing inhabitable to uninhabitable within the Code Enforcement Officers report .

**Privilege of the floor** Steve Rice and Ryan Frykholm presented an update on the progress being made on the project work sheets being put together for FEMA. A lengthy informational session was had discussing future direction of the projects and processes. It was suggested that town officials contact state officials to pressure FEMA to send out more timely reimbursements to the municipalities. The Large FEMA projects are nearing the stage where the town will need to put out a request for proposals from Engineering consultants or firms to write up estimates for the North Otto culvert at Buttermilk Falls. R. Frykholm presented the Town Supervisor with an extension of the consulting contract with Simons Recovery. Mr. Rice and Mr. Frykholm exited the meeting at 8pm.

### RESOLUTION 2014-91

#### Contract Modification with Simons Recovery Consulting

On a motion made by Supervisor Wasmund and Seconded by Councilman Stang the following resolution was

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

Resolved that the Contract agreement between Simmons Recovery Consulting and the Town of Otto be Modified, WHEREAS the previous agreement has exceeded its terms, There for it be that the contract extension shall not exceed 120 days and the maximum contract value may not exceed \$80,000 (eighty thousand dollars) without written authorization from the Town of Otto.

### **Report of town officials**

**Supervisor** Ronald Wasmund submitted his supervisors monthly report for review. A tentative budget proposal was presented to the board for review. A request to schedule the budget work session was made.

**Highway Superintendent** Robert Barber Jr reported that the highway department has been working on FEMA eligible projects all month. They worked with the DOT for five days in exchange for 100 loads of asphalt millings stored at Ron Hymes. Rick Tackentine looked at the furnace but has not gotten back in touch.

**Town Clerk** Trisha Priest presented the board with a monthly review of the town clerks cash flows . She also presented two software options for cemetery management usage. Conducting cemetery business would become more manageable with the assistance of one of these types of companies who could help organize old records, map out the cemeteries, and determine occupied and unoccupied lots. They also supply the software to manage sales and updates on occupancy and genealogy. The topic was tabled by council.

**Code Enforcement Officer** Jeff Holler turned in \$310 for three building permits. Over the month he has taken a few calls, 7 inspections along with the permits and certified notices were mailed out. There was discussion at the planning board meeting about a trailer being used as a residence. Several letters have been sent and the next step is to go to court. He needs board approval to issue a summons. No permit is required for a semi trailer being used for storage. If it is only being used for that purpose it falls in a grey area. If it's use was for camping it would be in violating but to Mr. Hollers belief it has not been used for that purpose. In other matters Mr. Holler placed a stop work order on the barn being built on Swamp Road until a permit is purchased. When the owner comes in for the permit, the specific use of the structure will be discussed.

**Councilman Stang** stated the Otto Fire Department will be hosting an all you can eat breakfast November 2nd and there was an Amish benefit breakfast November 8th at the fire hall.

RESOLUTION 2014-92

Audit of Claims

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

ADOPTED      Ayes    4            Feth, Stang, Wasmund, Mallaber, Wojdan  
                     Nays    0

Resolved that the bills contained on Abstract #009 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

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|----------------|---------------------|--------------|
| General Fund   | No. 107 through 115 | \$ 4,408.00  |
| Highway Fund   | No. 130 through 139 | \$ 38,062.50 |
| Water District | No. 15 through 16   | \$ 1041.71   |

RESOLUTION 2014-93

Supervisor's Monthly Report

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

ADOPTED      Ayes    4            Feth, Stang, Mallaber, Wojdan  
                     Nays    0

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

RESOLUTION 2014-94

Budget work session

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

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

Resolved that the town board will meet for a budget work night on Tuesday October 28, 2014 at 7pm.

With no further discussion, on a motion of Supervisor Wasmund and seconded by Councilman Feth, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm. Carried unanimously.

The Budget workshop will be held on October 28, 2014 7PM at the Otto Town Hall.

The next board meeting will be held on November 18, 2014 7PM at the Otto Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Trisha A. Priest, Town Clerk