

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 8, 2015 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The regular meeting of the Onondaga Township Board was called to order on October 8, 2015 at 7:30PM.

Present were Trustee Bodell, Trustee Tow, Supervisor Schindewolf, and Treasurer Schindewolf-DeShais. Clerk Johnson was absent. Present also were 7 citizens. Bodell made a motion to approve Diane absent from meeting. Tow seconded.

SET AND/OR AMEND THE AGENDA

Numbers 1 and 2 were put into one discussion. Number 4 should be Comer not Conner Special use permit. Motion by Tow. Second by Bodell

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS AND/OR PUBLIC COMMENT

APC Towers

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

13-15 runs. Majority EMS calls. Change batteries in smoke detectors. Truck service starts this month. He bought a barrel of oil. Pump Hose and ladder testing done this month. Need to replace LED outside lights. Fire department roster good. Moved one person to lieutenant so department has two. Added cost less than \$100 a year. Supervisor Schindewolf commented on Chief Tow not needing permission on small expenditures after budget has been set. Halloween bash Oct 31st at 5:30.

TREASURER

The ending balance on September 30 was \$23018.77.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Trustee Tow reported they had a meeting in September with APC Towers. The Planning Commission approved use of tower. They will need a variance due to the height of the tower.

CLERK

Report submitted. Supervisor Schindewolf went over her report

TRUSTEES

Trustee Tow had quite a month. Custodian refusing to clean up after coons. Jim states he gets paid and has cleaned a lot worse. Himself and the supervisor came in and cleaned. Lawn service as sexton he should be informed of complaints. Clerk has contacted township lawyer. Cemetery looks just fine. Clerk Johnson wants to pursue it she needs to talk to Jim.

Trustee Bodell Lawn Mowing: contract law. Clerk believes our contractor is not fulfilling his job. When you look at report prepared by Clerk Johnson majority of complaint is regarding trimming. Trustee Bodell read Johns contract to everyone present. Nowhere in contract did he agree to anything other than mowing. He has done it since 2008 with no problems. John is doing all the other things as a free extra. He thinks we should stop paying our clerk until she starts doing her job.

PARKS

October 17th at 11:00am is fall clean-up at the park. The 24th of October the bathrooms will be closed down. Refreshments, donuts, & hotdogs donated on 17th by Clones & the park board. We need insurance on the park Supervisor Schindewolf will check with Jason on status of park. Young arson toilet paper fires in the bathroom.

SUPERVISOR

Made it very clear to board

1. No more commentary on individuals' paycheck. Unprofessional and uncalled for. It does not represent boards' opinion.
2. Contractor John Meyer has done job since 2008. Bid proposes mowing services. He has gone above and beyond to accommodate trimming, leaves, etc. to this date. Supervisor Schindewolf has asked John to perform extra functions and without fail has done so. Has not seen a bill for a performance of these services. Have zero concerns for work John provides.
3. Custodial situation with raccoons to an extent it was worse than in previous raccoon issues. Regulatory Authority advised that there are no regulations regarding the clean-up of raccoon mess. Do what you do in your home. Obtained bid from Service Master in excess of \$800 for kitchen and restrooms. He called Service Master to only authorize kitchen cleaning for \$444.00. He called the custodian to come in and clean the restrooms 3 days prior to rental and custodian refused to do so as she had other plans. Jim Tow, Matt and Mary Schindewolf John Meyers, came and cleaned restrooms and Hall. Public thank-you to volunteers. The custodian left yellow sticky notes instructing on all cleaning materials for him.

Trustee Tow would like her resignation, can go nuts on one contractor why not on the other one. Trustee Bodell suggests time spent on those daily logs is taking away from clerks' job. The supervisor recommends bidding out for custodial services. Contracts. 5571 Rossman Rd Individual who rents building was not notified when contractors were coming in to work on building. See letter.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Rhiannon made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous board meeting.. Second by Trustee Tow. Approved

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion to approve the bills by Trustee Tow however upset about Service Master bill. Second by Schindewolf-Deshaies. Approved

NEW BUSINESS;

YELLOW BUILDING 5571 Rossman Road Tabled until next meeting.

SPECIAL USE PERMIT Mr. Przybylo representing APC towers. No existing structures present to put their equipment on. Proposing new 195 foot tower. Have leased 100 by 100 fenced in compound. 10 by 11 unmanned equipment shelter. Generator will only run when there is a power failure. 195 foot tower will allow other carriers to co-exist- four additional carriers. Maximize use of one facility. Supervisor addressed safety issues which necessitates having this tower.

Motion by Schindewolf, pursuant to section 14-21-A-2 in zoning Ordinance, to allow the board to waive the need for a variance pursuant to authority granted per 124-21-A-2 to exceed the height limitation of 150 ft, to allow specifically for co-location of other cellular carriers. To wit: “the township board may waive this standard upon applicant successfully demonstrating that a greater height is necessary for reasonable communication by the applicant (and by other entities to collocate on the structure). Seconded by Tow. Motion passed.

Hoping to start construction, first quarter of next year.

REIMBURSEMENT FOR RICHARD HOSKINS Mr. Hoskins has served as liaison for township board during Cooper Comer trial. \$163.00 for parking. 950 miles at .56 per mile and 81.5 man hours in court at \$11.00 an hour out of legal fees.

Motion by supervisor Schindewolf, second Schindewolf –DeShais to compensate Richard Hoskins per the following: 163.00 for parking. 950 miles at at the township mileage reimbursement rate and 81.5 man hours in court at part time employment rate. For services rendered to the township during the Cooper/Comer litigation. Approved

.COMER SPECIAL USE EXTENSION Litigation between Cooper –Comer, Special use permit set to expire despite them not being able to operate. Motion by Schindewolf to extend for one year due to litigation, second by Bodell. Approved

OTHER BUSINESS

SNOW PLOWING Notation to ensure sealed bids on snow plowing are the only bids accepted, to be opened at meeting or prior with treasurer or others. Eliminate notations on any employee or contractor checks, that does not represent the entire boards thoughts. Will be bidding out lawn care and custodial services over winter period.

Jim wants to discuss clerk report..

PUBLIC COMMENT Vickie Vandebelt –Is there one paper we can always look to for notices? Supervisor Schindewolf states to use the Flashes and Ingham County Community News

Trustee Bodell mentioned Tom Larkin went up to the park and edged sidewalks. Wants to publically thank him for doing this.

Custodial Shout out to Pat Clone for the work he does.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn Schindewolf-Deschais. Seconded Trustee Bodell. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 9:08pm.

Minutes recorded by Treasurer Rhiannon Schindewolf DeShais and Mathew Schindewolf
Written and submitted by Diane Johnson,
Onondaga Township Clerk