

The May meeting of the East Otto Town Board was called to order at 8:05 PM by Supervisor James Beach on Tuesday May 10, 2016. Jim led the pledge to the Flag.

Present were councilmen Dave Forster, William Spors, and Sidney Barber, Highway Superintendent Tom Benz and CEO Jeff Holler. Councilman Mike Poch was excused.

Guests present were Bob Bowen, Amy Edwards, Mike Grey, Angie Sherman and Wayne Smolinski

Wayne Smolinski spoke on behalf of the Maples Sportsmen's Club concerning the closing of the gravel pit. He stated that in his opinion the previous contractor did not do the job correctly and that is why there was so much damage when it rained. He said they were not contacted before the equipment was removed as was stated in the original agreement. They feel that the contractor made a mess and they would like it made safe and natural looking. Councilman Forster spoke on the subject. It was his understanding that the DEC approved the repair until the rain came and washed more of it out. Ultimately the contractor dug out more of the property than was necessary and left a ponding situation. Jim recommended that Tom, the DEC representative 2 board members and Mr. Smolinski meet to come to some type of agreement. They will meet at the property and decide what needs to be done and get things closed out.

A motion was made by Dave Forster and seconded by Sid Barber to authorize the Supervisor to pay all general and highway funds bills audited. Forster, Spors, Barber and Beach were in favor. Motion carried.

	Abstract #	Claim #	Amount
Highway 3	305	44-54	\$ 3,000.69
General	005	42-46	\$ 814.38

A motion was made by Dave Forster and seconded by Bill Spors to accept the audit of the April prepaid utility bills audited. Forster, Spors, Barber and Beach were in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dave Forster and seconded by Sid Barber to approve and waive the reading of the April 12, 2016 meeting minutes. Forster, Spors, Barber and Beach were in favor. Motion carried.

Clerk paid to Supervisor \$137.35 for April 2016 fees and commissions.

Highway: The grader is at Heim & Sons for repairs. The owner will get it in the shop as soon as possible but probably not before next week. Tom has been looking for the parts needed but because of the age of the equipment he is not having much luck.

Senator Young's Office contacted Jim about the flood last year. They are looking for damage costs. Tom delivered all the records and info. He had to her Olean office and they are forwarding it to Albany. There was some discussion on CHIPS and Pave NY but there has not been any official word. The town is helping Mansfield and Otto with some road projects. The stone in front of the shop belongs to the county.

Town Clerk Ann Rugg stated that the new website is looking very good and new things are being added daily. A motion was made by Dave Forster and seconded by Sid Barber to publish the minutes on the town website. Forster, Spors, Barber and Beach were in favor. Motion carried.

CEO Report: Jeff answered 15 calls, completed 14 inspections, issued 3 permits, issued 5 violations sent 7 letters to property owners on the assessors list and he deposited to the clerk \$150.00 for permits issued.

Jim asked Tom to take a look at the driveway at the Town Hall. There is a work program through the county which may be available for us to get some of the painting done downstairs. The preservation supporters have discussed making a donation to cover some of the cost of getting the downstairs areas painted.

The tree still needs to be cut by the pavilion.

A motion was made by Dave Forster and seconded by Bill Spors to cancel the May 24, 2016 meeting, The next meeting will be June 14, 2016. Forster, Spors, Barber and Beach were in favor. Motion carried.

An audit/examination of the Tax Collector/Clerk's books for 2015 was conducted. Deposits were verified with bank receipts and receipts for money received. It was verified that the checkbook is regularly reconciled and that deposits are made in a timely manner.

The following resolution was made by Dave Forster and seconded by Sidney Barber:

WHEREAS the books and records of the Town Clerk / Tax Collector were audited and examined by the Town Board of the Town of East Otto and,

WHEREAS the transaction report agrees with the cash available and,

WHEREAS the bank account is periodically reconciled and deposits are made in a timely manner,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board accepts the audit of the books presented for examination. Roll call vote:

Bill Spors	yes		
Sidney Barber	yes	Dave Forster	yes
Jim Beach	Yes		

All were in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Sid Barber and seconded by Bill Spors to adjourn at 10:10 PM. Forster, Spors, Barber and Beach were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Ann Rugg
Town Clerk

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