

The October meeting of the East Otto Town Board was called to order at 6:02 PM by Supervisor Ann Rugg on Tuesday October 10, 2017. Ann led the pledge to the Flag.

Present were councilmen Dave Forster, William Spors, Sid Barber and Mike Poch. Highway Superintendent Tom Benz .CEO Jeff Holler and Budget Officer Jim Beach.

Guests present were Bob Bowen, Angie Sherman, and Mark Westfall.

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

	Abstract #	Claim #	Amount
Highway 1	106	16-18	\$15,837.30
Highway 3	310	101-110	\$ 5,932.55
General	010	96-102	\$ 1,105.75

A motion was made by Dave Forster and seconded by Sid Barber to approve and waive the reading of the September 12, 2017 meeting minutes. Forster, Spors, Barber, Poch and Rugg were in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dave Forster and seconded by Bill Spors to accept the audit of the August and September 2017 prepaid utility bills presented Forster, Poch, Spors, Barber and Rugg were in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ann Rugg and seconded by Dave Forster to Ammend the Budget to reflect Pave NY Funds received Budgeted amount raised to \$153,177.36 in DA5512.201 from 107,812 Roll call vote as follow:

Mike Poch	yes	Sid Barber	yes	Bill Spors	yes
Dave Forster	yes	Ann Rugg	yes	Motion carried.	

A motion was made by Ann Rugg and seconded by Mike Poch to riase Highway Revenues DA3501 Budgeted Amount \$107,812.00 to Actual 153,177.36 Roll call vote as follow:

Mike Poch	yes	Sid Barber	yes	Bill Spors	yes
Dave Forster	yes	Ann Rugg	yes	Motion carried.	

Clerk paid to Supervisor \$393.96 for September 2017 fees and commissions.

Highway: Tom presented the board with 2 prices from OGS on pressure washers, \$5,157 and \$5,523. The difference between the two pressure washers are the pumps that are on them. Tom will do research on the pumps to determine which one will be best suited for the highway department.

A motion was made by Dave Forster and seconded by Sid Barber to allow Tom to spend a maximum of \$5,525 on a new pressure washer. Forster, Spors, Barber, Poch and Rugg were in favor. Motion carried.

Tom told the board he can renew the lease on the loader one more time for one year and after that it Milton Cat is changing the terms of their leases to 3 year terms. The \$12.50 hourly rate currently brings the loader lease for 2017 to \$8,223. The board determined that they wanted the \$12.50 hourly rate in writing to renew the lease.

The new 550 is finished and Tom drove it to the meeting for the board and public to be able to see.

Tom told the board of bids that the town could piggyback from: 10 wheeler-2wheel drive-10'box \$220,000 and a tandem 14' box \$240,000. Both of these are Western Stars and include box and plow equipment.

Mike Poch received a call from a resident on Bailey hill road regarding the condition of the road. Mike stated that the town went through the revaluation and many residents in the town are paying more for taxes but aren't seeing any improvements to the roads.

Tom stated that a cold mix pack 4" over top of gravel is approximately \$140,000 per mile of road.

Ann said that the roads need more maintenance than what they are getting, there are more people moving into the town of East Otto and we need to provide enough funds for the highway department to be able to maintain the roads in a timely fashion.

Jim Beach said that it is common before boards ask for an appropriation on budget to ask for a list of improvements

Ann asked Tom to share with the board a list of what improvements he wants to make on roads and also a cost of improvements on dirt roads.

Tom stated that the bid on the 550 closed at \$4,000.

A motion was made by Mike Poch and seconded by Sid Barber to accept the bid of \$4,000 for the 550 truck. Forster, Spors, Barber, Poch and Rugg were in favor. Motion carried

Town clerk: Read a letter of interest for the open planning board position from Tom Benz.

Deanna had contacted the county planning board in regards to this. Ann asked her to check with the Association of Towns in regards to this.

Deanna finished scanning the building permits from 1964 to present into the laserfiche program which is backed up by Southern Tier West.

CEO Report: Jeff completed 8 inspections, issued 2 permits, issued 1 address, answered 18 phone calls, attended court and deposited \$270 to the clerk for permits issued.

Dave questioned why the town charges for a demolition permit when a resident is trying to improve their property.

The justice annual audit was completed by Mike Poch and Bill Spors. It was organized and showed completeness.

A motion was made by Dave Forster and seconded by Sid Barber to accept the justice audit. Forster, Spors, Barber, Poch and Rugg were in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Bob Bowen addressed the board with comments.

A motion was made by Mike Poch and seconded by Sid Barber to schedule the next meeting for preliminary budget on October 24, 2017 at 6:00PM Spors, Barber, Poch and Rugg were in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Bill Spors and seconded by Mike Poch to adjourn at 8:38 PM Spors, Barber, Poch and Rugg were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Deanna Bowen  
Town Clerk

