

MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING

TOWN OF ONEIDA, OUTAGAMIE COUNTY

FEBRUARY 8, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Scott Schaumberg.

Present were: Scott Schaumberg, Terry Hock and Kelly Hill

Also Present: BJ O'Connor-Schevers, Glen Olson, Luann Skarlupka, Chris VandenLangenberg, Al Timm, Micheak Avabzi, Bob Schlimm, Joe Maass and Anna Froehlich.

Scott Schaumberg led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Terry Hock made a motion to approve the Monthly Town Board Meeting Minutes from January 11, 2023 without corrections Scott Schaumberg second the motion. Motion carried.

Terry Hock made a motion to approve the vouchers, numbered 25470 thru 25508 and 4 EFT's. Scott Schaumberg second the motion. Motion carried.

Outagamie County Sheriff Department: No Sheriff present to give report. Resident concerns: Barb O'Conner-Schevers commented that there is a dead deer in the ditch on Old Seymour Rd.

Kaukauna Utility- Michael Avanzi. Mike Avanzi is requesting the Town of Oneida to pass a resolution to collect unpaid Kaukauna Utility bills on the annual tax bill, beginning in 2024. Mike explained that the Town of Oneida has 8 customers (2 small business and 6 residential) that would be affected by this resolution. Kaukauna Utilities would provide options of payment plans, billing options and a process of collections to customers. The resolution of putting the unpaid amount on the tax bill would be a last resort option. Kaukauna Utility is a customer owned/public owned business. Terry Hock asked how this resolution has gone in other townships. Mike explained that this would not go into effect until all townships have approved the resolution. As of now, the Town of Oneida is one of three that have not accepted the resolution. Scott Schaumberg expressed his concern of not being a bill collector. Also discussed what the contract would be with the Town of Oneida for completing this service for Kaukauna Utility.

Scott Schaumberg TABLED Kaukauna Utility at this time due to Al Krause not being present at the meeting. Board would like to further discuss.

Lack of ability to contact emergency services- Bob Schlimm. Bob Schlimm presented his concern of the lack of cell phone and landline service in the Town of Oneida. Bob

explained his process up to this point of discussions with phone carriers. Bob expressed he has exhausted all avenues as a resident and is requesting the Town of Oneida to express concern from a township level. Scott Schaumberg stated he agrees that this is a concern in our town. Scott stated that US Cellular used the Town property as a possible cell phone tower site. This is still in the engineering stages with US Cellular. Scott also stated that this past fall, Oneida Nation did say they were looking into federal funding for internet for all residents on the reservation. Discussion with Fire Chief, Glen Olson, agreed with Bob's presented concern. Scott Schaumberg agreed to support the concern of the lack of ability to contact emergency services along with improving cell phone service. Scott Schaumberg stated that he would support Bob Schlimm as a township on his concern. Scott Schaumberg asked clerk, Kelly Hill, to look into expressing concern with the Wisconsin State Legislator or further contacts.

Old Seymour Road. Scott Schaumberg stated that the Town of Oneida had a meeting with Oneida Nation this past month and one agenda item was the discussion of roads. Oneida Nation applied for federal grants for Old Seymour Rd, Seminary Rd and Ranch Rd. Oneida Nation stated they have not gotten federal funding approval for 2023. Scott Schaumberg discussed roads that need attention; Ray Rd, parts of Olson Rd, parts of Moore Rd and Tip Rd. Road bid meeting will be coming up in March.

Ranch Lane- Al Timm stated that Monday night the Town of Osborn passed an ordinance to abandon Ranch Lane. Town of Osborn has a notice for a public hearing and town board meeting set for March 20, 2023. Al Timm stated that the abandoning of Ranch Lane will eliminate an unsafe intersection. Scott Schaumberg stated that the Town of Oneida agreed to the new Ranch Lane that is now in the Town of Oneida to improve the safety of the intersection.

Fire Department Report given by Fire Chief Glen Olson. (6 calls) MABAS call; 1 tender. 2R. 6 standby for structure fire. Bodart Court; Possible shed fire. Just smoke from a burn barrel. Hickory Lane; Gas Smell in house. Empty LP tank. No findings. Krause Court; Fire Alarm going off. Burt pizza. MABAS call; House fire Town of Seymour. 2 tenders. 1 engine. 12 personnel. Oneida Elementary School; Fire alarm going off tripped by service alarm company.

Fire Department News; January training. Toured Oneida Elementary School. In March, Outagamie County will have training at Norbert Hill Center and the Town of Oneida Volunteer Fire Department will also be there for the training. The Fire Department upgraded capabilities with Spectrum for the alarm system and now that it is updated it seems like an improvement.

First Responder Report given by County Rescue and reported by Kelly Hill; Total calls=33. Advanced Life Support =16. Basic Life Support =8. Non-transport =9 (27%). Mutual Aid=0. EMRs on-scene=5.

Open Discussion – Limit 3 minutes per person

Barb O'Connor-Schevers asked for an update on the previously discussed County Rescue contract. Scott Schaumberg stated that Oneida Nation and Town of Oneida have their individual contracts with County Rescue. The Town of Oneida is contracted for half of the Town of Oneida's population.

Luann Skarlupka reminded residents that the Spring Primary Election is February 21st. This election is the process of reducing the number of candidates for the Justice of the Supreme Court and Outagamie County Executive.

Terry Hock made a motion to adjourn at 8:14 P.M. Scott Schaumberg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Hill, Clerk/Treasurer