

MEETING MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF ONEIDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The meeting was opened by Commissioner Christophersen leading the Pledge of Allegiance and then offering a prayer.

Commissioner Lewis called for a review of the agenda. Four items were suggested as additions for information only. Samaria roads, four county commissioner meeting notes, Supreme Court ADA review of the court house and landfill equipment.

Commissioner Lewis made the motion to add the following items to the agenda for the purpose of discussion and passing along information. Samaria roads, landfill equipment, court house ADA compliance and four county commissioner meeting report.

Commissioner Christophersen seconded the motion. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

Landfill equipment – It was reported that the new collection truck ordered last year will be delivered within the week.

ADA compliance – The Supreme Court has completed their compliance review of the court house with the aid of a contracted consultant. All aspects of the facility were investigated from the parking lot to the court room. the written report will be available in early October. Commissioner Lewis noted that the option of installing an elevator just inside the rear entrance was mentioned.

Larry Nalder asked the commissioners for a variance on the setback requirements for a greenhouse style building called a high tunnel. The Planning and Zoning board has reviewed the request to place the structure six feet from the property line, which is four feet closer that required, and they have given a “do approve” recommendation to the commissioners. The adjacent property owner, Nolan Coats, wrote a letter of approval for the construction as well.

Commissioner Stokes made the motion to approve the variance for the setback as requested by Larry Nalder, and as recommended by the Planning and Zoning board.

Commissioner Christophersen seconded. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

Commissioner Stokes indicated that several residence in Samaria have approached him regarding road conditions. Commissioner Christophersen reported that a couple of the roads in question are on the departments plans for work. Two of the roads are going to be converted back to gravel and then receive dust guard treatments.

Easements for an irrigation pipeline – Mark John petitioned the commissioners to allow the St. John irrigation company to install additional pipe along a portion of 1000 north then turning south and running down 3100 West where they are asking for permission to run the pipe across the county road. Currently the water runs within a ditch in this right of way and Mr. John along with other members of the company, would like to install pipe to better control the water and help eliminate water loss. It was decided that a road encroachment permit would be the proper way to authorize the pipe running under the county road.

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Commissioner Christophersen made the motion to approve the road encroachment permit for the St. John irrigation company to run a pipe under the county road contingent upon the permit being completed and the specific locations being identified.

Commissioner Stokes seconded. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

Events Center bid – One bid was received for the construction of the events center. The bid from Century Contractors was \$1,315,388.00. It was noted that numerous contractors had made inquiries about the project, had received the bid packet and were aware of the deadlines. More discussion will come later in the meeting.

The meeting minutes were reviewed.

Commissioner Christophersen made the motion to approve the minutes as written.

Commissioner Stokes seconded. All commissioners approved and the motion carries.

The claims were reviewed for payment.

Commissioner Stokes made the motion to approve payment of the claims.

Commissioner Christophersen seconded. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

Building permits were reviewed. Oneida County – Expo Center; Sid Lewis – Ag; Corby Earl – Convenience Store; Shellee Daniels – Stick home; Larry Nalder – Ag.

Commissioner Christophersen made the motion to approve the county expo building permit.

Commissioner Lewis seconded. A vote was called for and Commissioners Christophersen and Lewis approved. Commissioner Stokes voted against. The motion carried by two thirds majority.

Commissioner Stokes made the motion to approve the two ag permits, the convenience store and the stick built home permits.

Commissioner Christophersen seconded. All commissioners approved and the motion carried.

Building permit fees – This topic was removed from the agenda until a future date.

Four County commissioner meeting report - Commissioner Lewis reported on the meeting where they discussed the following topics. Mutual aid agreement, employee raises, open range laws, small acreage assessed as agriculture land, public defense, garbage collection, fire codes, regional landfill, and jails.

The Joint quarterly Treasurer/Auditor report was reviewed.

Commissioner Christophersen made the motion to approve the joint quarterly Treasurer/Auditor report.

Commissioner Lewis seconded. All approved and the motion carried.

City contracts – The city is willing to pay \$10,500.00 for building inspector services. It was suggested that they be asked to increase to \$11,000.00.

Commissioner Stokes made the motion to approve the Malad City contract for building inspector service at the rate of \$11,000.00 for the next year and to visit with the city for their approval.

Commissioner Christophersen seconded. All approved and the motion carried.

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Audit of comprehensive time in the sheriff's office - Searle Hart and Associates completed an audit of hours worked in the sheriff's office for the years 2014 through 2018 for the purpose of seeing if the comp time was calculated correctly. It was reported that with the exception of three newer employee's, the other officers had received excess comp. time. It was decided that the time given in excess would not be taken back and that the three officers had time coming would be paid out for their time on the next payroll.

Commissioner Stokes made the motion to pay out the comp time that was found in the audit as not having been awarded.

Commissioner Christophersen seconded. All approved and the motion carried.

Commissioner Stokes made the motion to approve the contract with Searle Hart and associates to perform the time and attendance audit.

Commissioner Christophersen seconded and the motion carried.

Emergency Services – A cyber security assessment will be required by the Homeland security. 2017 SHSP grant money is still available and will need to be obligated to a specific project. The 2018 SHSP grant has been reauthorized.

Commissioner Stokes made the motion to approve the 2017 SHSP grant money to be spent on body cameras for the sheriff's office.

Commissioner Christophersen seconded. All approved and the motion carried.

It was requested that the old backup generator from the court house be relocated to the fire station where the Emergency Operations Communication office is located.

Commissioner Christophersen made the motion to approve the relocation of the generator to the fire station.

Commissioner Stokes seconded. All approved and the motion carried.

Comp time was discussed with the Sheriff and the road and bridge foreman in an attempt to determine what the correct limit should be places in the personnel policy. The policy will be updated for the next meeting.

A mutual aid agreement between Caribou, Franklin, Bear Lake and Oneida County was presented. This agreement would allow each county to give aid to one of the other counties in an emergency with the first 24 hours of assistance being free.

Commissioner Stokes made the motion to approve the four county mutual aid agreement.

Commissioner Christophersen seconded. All approved and the motion carried.

The commissioners returned to the issue of the bid to erect the events center.

Commissioner Christophersen made the motion to approve the bid from Century Contractors for the amount of \$1,315,388.00 dollars.

Commissioner Lewis seconded. Commissioner Lewis voted in favor. Commissioner Christophersen voted in favor. Commissioner Stokes voted against. The motion carried by a two thirds majority.

It was noted that the hospital board has accepted the resignation of one member. They will provide a list of name as possible replacements.

The FY2020 budget requests were reviewed.


Bill Lewis, Chairman


Matthew L. Colton, Clerk