

**ONEIDA CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2016  
7:30 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: SUPERVISOR COOLEY, TREASURER PALERMO,  
TRUSTEES, WILLIAMS, MC CLOUD, O'MALLEY AND SCHULTZ

MEMBERS ABSENT: CLERK ROBINSON

OTHERS PRESENT: Deputy Treasurer/Zoning Administrator Goschka, Sheriff's  
Deputys Morris and Kuhlman and Mr. Brunton.

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m., by Supervisor Cooley.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was given.
3. Additions to the Agenda were items 14, change of meeting date. 15. L.T. Right Web Site. 16. Cooperative Development Agreement. 16 A. Cemetery Signs. 17. Closed Session. The Agenda was approved with the Additions in a Motion made by Mr. Williams and supported by Mrs. Schultz. Motion Carried.
4. Closed Minutes of December 8, 2015. Motion for approval of the Minutes as submitted was made by Mr. O'Malley and supported by Mrs. Mc Cloud. Motion Carried.
5. Minutes of December 8, 2015. Motion to approve the Minutes as submitted was made by Mrs. Schultz and supported by Mr. Williams. Motion Carried.
6. Bills to be Paid. Mr. O'Malley questioned the credit card charge and asked who had credit cards. Mr. Palermo explained that he and the Clerk had cards and they were used for office supplies and educational purposes. Mr. O'Malley said the Board could not approve an expense called Credit Card. It would have to be itemized. Mrs. Schultz had questions about 5 checks numbered 1000. Mr. Palermo explained that these were the State and Federal Liabilities. She also had questions about the checks with her name and the City of Grand Ledge with a zero total. It was decided that the Board would approve the checks that were not in question and the others would be clarified. Motion for approval of the Bills not in question was made by Mr. O'Malley and supported by Mr. Williams. Motion Carried.
7. Correspondence. There was none.
8. Treasurer's Report was given with full review of all account balances.
9. Sheriff's Report was given by Deputy Kuhlman, There were 28 Traffic Stops.
10. Public Comment: There was none.
11. Consumers Energy Gas Main Extension. Estimates have been sent to 46 people regarding the installation of natural gas, along St. Joe Hwy. and Oneida Road. This was done at the request of Mr. Loveless a resident of the Township. Consumers is following up to see if there is enough interest to go ahead with a project for the area.

12. Land Division, Sealy. Supervisor Cooley explained that this was being done to add a parcel that had not been properly added to the tax roll. The owner had by passed the Township and gone to the County back in 1989. He was not trying to get the parcel added to the tax roll correctly and had worked with the County Equalization Department to do so. It will be added as a new parcel. There was discussion on the matter and a Motion was made to approve the Land Split for the Sealy Property by Mr. O'Malley and supported by Mr. Palermo. Motion Carried.
13. Land Division, Gilbert. Supervisor Cooley and Zoning Administrator Goschka explained that Mr. Gilbert had decided not to extend Overbrook Drive over the Creek due to the high cost to do so. He had instead decided to break it into six lots which are required to have road frontage of 75 feet each. Mr. Williams noted that the front foot requirement was not met for each lot. After discussion it was decided to table the request until the front foot requirement was correct. Motion to table the matter was made by Mrs. Schultz and supported by Mrs. Mc Cloud. Motion Carried.
14. Change Regular Board Meeting Date of March 8<sup>th</sup> to March 9<sup>th</sup> due to the 8<sup>th</sup> being Election Day. Motion was made to change the Meeting from March 8<sup>th</sup> to March 9<sup>th</sup> by Mrs. Mc Cloud and supported by Mr. Williams. Motion Carried.
15. L.T. Right Web Site: The Board reviewed information on this Site supplied by Deputy Treasurer/Zoning Administrator Goschka. She explained that the current site is very problematic, and this site at a beginning cost of \$500.00 a year offered a good solution it also works with BS&A software that the Township already uses. After discussion Board asked that she acquire more information and bring the matter back at the next Board Meeting.
16. Cooperative Development Agreement: The City had submitted a letter to the Board discussing allowing payment of 50 years for a 50 year agreement rather than 40 year payment and reduction of the water rate to 1.50 down from the double rate currently charged. Supervisor Cooley noted that we had met with them and discussed the changes they had made to the original agreement submitted by the Township. Mrs. Schultz said she was pleased with the original agreement and didn't see much room for change. Mr. O'Malley said he wanted to see the whole agreement not a letter and that we had submitted a workable and fair Agreement last fall and the City had torn it apart and made it very unfair. This seemed to be the consensus of the whole Board.
17. Motion was made to go in to closed session on a matter of employment by Mr. Palermo and supported by Mrs. Mc Cloud. Roll Call Vote was unanimous Motion Carried.
18. Public Comment: There was none.
19. Board Comment: Mrs. Mc Cloud made the Board aware of the Fire Board Meeting to be held on January 18<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. at the Fire Barn. The matter of discussion will be procedure to hire a new Fire Chief. There are members who want to hire the MML and spend \$10,000.00. There are 4 members of the Department who are interested in moving up to the position of Chief and She and Mrs. Schultz feel and we should start looking for a new Chief from within the Department.
20. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.



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Minutes respectfully submitted by Jan Schultz

APPROVED:

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DONALD F. COOLEY, SUPERVISOR