

**ANNUAL ORONOCO TOWNSHIP MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 8, 2016 8:15 PM**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The annual Oronoco Township meeting was called to order on March 8, 2016 at 8:15 PM by clerk, Judy Haglund. There were 9 people present. Ron Haglund presided as moderator.

The **Minutes** were read from the March 10, 2015 Annual Meeting. A motion was made by Neil Stolp to accept the minutes as read. Theda Lyke seconded, motion carried.

The **Treasurer's Report** was presented in written form. Treasurer, Kim Stanton, went over the 2015 Financial Report explaining some of the significant activities & accomplishments. The township has Special Assessments for Postiers Point Paving (this will be the last year), Shorewood Lane Paving, and Kings Park Septic. Some of the accomplishments include; continued support of the Oronoco Food Shelf and Oronoco Cemetery, Participation in the Pine Island Community Planning Team that won the 2015 Humphery Foundation Award, assisted in settling delinquent accounts for the Pine Island Fire District, and contributed \$10,000.00 to the Lake Zumbro Dredging Projects. The Township spent \$121,000.00 on chip/crack repair and chloride on the township roads and \$44,500.00 on snow removal. There has been revived discussion with Zumbro Township on the Ryans Bay road improvements. Richard Lyke made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Neil Stolp seconded, motion carried.

The **Proposed Budget** was discussed. The "*Money Raised by Tax upon Taxable Property*" was appropriated as follow: **General Revenue:** Neil Stolp made a motion to raise from \$55,000.00 to \$60,000.00. Kim Stanton seconded, motion carried. **Road & Bridge:** After discussion, Neil Stolp made a motion to leave at \$400,000.00 the same as 2015. Richard Lyke seconded, motion carried. **Fire and First Responders:** After discussion, Theda Lyke made a motion to raise from \$70,000.00 to \$80,000.00. Kim Stanton seconded, motion carried 6 in favor and 1 opposed.

The **election results** are as follows: 20 voters. Supervisor, three year term – Neil Stolp 11 votes, Adam Rucker 1 vote, and Tom Moyer 1 vote. Clerk, two year term – Judy Haglund 20 votes. Lucy Sanyo made a motion to accept the election results. Richard Lyke seconded, motion carried.

A motion was made by Theda Lyke to set the **voting hours** for the Annual Election and Meeting year 2017; election from 5:00 PM-8:00 PM with the meeting following at 8:15 PM. Neil Stolp seconded, motion carried.

A motion was made by Neil Stolp to **publish all legal ads** in the Post Bulletin and continue to post on the Township web site when it is up and running again and city hall. Richard Lyke seconded, motion carried.

Richard Lyke made a motion to leave the **bounty** at 1.50 for Pocket Gophers, Striped Gophers at .75 and Moles at .75. Theda Lyke seconded, motion carried.

After discussion, Richard Lyke made a motion to dedicate \$2,500.00 to the **Oronoco Cemetery for repairs, maintenance, and restoration**. Kim Stanton seconded, motion carried. After discussion, Richard Lyke made a motion to approve the contract for the **Oronoco Food Shelf** for \$50.00 per day with a maximum of 25 days, equaling a maximum of \$1,250.00 the same as 2015. Lucy Sanyo seconded, motion carried.

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Richard Lyke reported that there were only two **OPAC** meetings in 2015. In January the Final Plat for Dale and Kory Allen development and again in July a Conditional Use Permit for Trevor and Helen Distad for an access road. Neil Stolp made a motion to accept the OPAC report and Theda Lyke seconded. Motion carried.

The **Townboard Wages** were discussed and a motion was made by Richard Lyke to leave the same as 2015. Theda Lyke seconded, motion carried.

**Supervisors:** *\$200.00 per month stipend for phone calls, conversations, stress and thought spent managing township issues. \$150.00 per monthly town board meeting attended and \$15.00 per hour (portal to portal) to meetings and checking out sites during the month. Supervisors would not collect for being at the Annual Meeting.*

**Clerk:** *\$300.00 per month stipend for work performed on behalf of the township. \$150.00 per monthly town board meeting attended and \$15.00 per hour portal to portal to meetings.*

**Treasurer:** *\$300.00 per month stipend for work performed on behalf of the township. \$150.00 per monthly town board meeting attended and \$15.00 per hour portal to portal to meetings.*

**Election Judges:** *Hourly pay at \$15.00 per hour.*

*Neil Stolp seconded, motion carried.*

After discussion a motion was made by Neil Stolp to keep **Pine Island Bank** as the township banking institution. Lucy Sanyo seconded, motion carried.

There was discussion about changing the annual election to co-ordinate with the November elections. A motion was made by Lucy Sanyo to keep the Annual Election in March to co-ordinate with the Annual Meeting. Neil Stolp seconded, motion carried.

Comments from the floor:

Township resident Mike Clements inquired into the interest of an internet service for rural America. Kim Stanton will check with the Association of Townships attorney as to a solution.

Rachel Stanton made a motion to adjourn, Richard Lyke seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Judy Haglund, Clerk