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MEETING MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF ONEIDA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The meeting was opened by Commissioner Sweeten

Dave Pacioretty and Blaine Newman, BLM representatives, gave updates on their Curlew/Deepcreek travel plan. This plan involves the western part of the County and is a project whereby the current roads and trails on BLM land are being assessed to see if they should remain in place or if they can be closed down. The reason for the project is to address the fact that there are so many roads that parallel each other as well as new roads and trails being created via unauthorized off road travel that the BLM feel the need to look into each area and see which roads can be eliminated without adversely affecting public access. By eliminating the unnecessary roads it will help to maintain better public lands as well as help in controlling land erosion and minimize the adverse impact to the wildlife. It was reported that the recent community meetings held by the BLM were well attended and that further comments will be accepted in writing.

Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to move into an executive session to hold an indigent appeals hearing.

Commissioner Sweeten seconded and the motion carried.

The hearing was recorded.

Chip Jacobsen came before the board to gain approval to build a fire curtain for the purpose of burning the approved trees and branches that are taken to the landfill. By creating this curtain or fire pit, it will allow the fire to burn much hotter thus pushing the smoke higher in the air as well as giving the debris a cleaner burn. Another benefit is that it will be easier to extinguish at the end of the day as he can fill the pit in with the dirt pile created when the pit is dug out. The commissioners suggested that the DEQ should be involved and if they have no objections then they would be in favor of the idea. It was also asked if the County would pay for hepatitis shots for those working in the landfill to which the Commissioners agreed. The last concern was that of the dead animals at the landfill. Currently they do not charge for the animals that are dumped there. The question was raised as to why they don't have the pit like they used to have and it was surmised that the previous pit fulfilled requirements in force when the old landfill was being used. Those requirements went by the wayside when the new landfill was opened up. Chip requested that they set a fee for those animals being hauled inside the gate with a recommendation of \$5.00 dollars per head and to prohibit the use of firearms at the landfill for those bringing animals up to be euthanized on site. It was stated that around 250 animals are received annually. The DEQ will be questioned as to the ability to create another dead animal pit as in the past.

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Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to amend the landfill fee schedule to include a \$5.00 dollar charge for each large animal and a \$1.00 dollar charge for each small animal taken to the landfill.

Commissioner Tubbs seconded and the motion carried.

Owners of the property leased to the Family Dollar store submitted a written request for tax relief for the late fees and penalties that were charged in regards to this property. It was stated that they had taken ownership early in February, after the notices had been sent out. They didn't feel that they were responsible for these charges because they were not aware of the taxes at this time. The Assessor and Treasure indicated in writing that this property had changed hands several times over the last couple of years and that the proper notices had been sent to the addresses on record in a timely manner. The overall fault was thought to be that of the title company that closed the deal because this tax information should have been addressed at this time. The consensus was that the property owners should approach the title company to see who had dropped the ball and why.

Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to deny the request for tax relief.

Commissioner Tubbs seconded and the motion carried.

SEICOG representative Susan Lorenze, Kathy Ray, and Mike Hess addressed the Board to discuss the creation/improvement of a right of way extending from the north boarder of the City owned Industrial park, west to the County road known as 100 W.

There was much discussion as to who owned this property and what would be needed to verify ownership and/or legal rights to this property for the purpose of improving the land by building a road to connect the two existing roads. For a fee of around \$15,000.00 dollars, SEICOG would step in to help obtain grants that could bring in around \$200,000.00 dollars, to help build the road but the legal issues would need to be worked out first. It was noted that more information pertaining to the ownership of this small stretch of land would need to be verified before SEICOG would be able to help out. Mike Hess indicated that his company would be willing to put up 50% of the \$15,000.00 dollars for SEICOG for their help with the Grants. Susan indicated that an MOU would be written up and sent to the Commissioners. Attorney Dustin Smith will look into the matter further to see who has the rights to the strip of land in question.

P&Z presented 5 building permits and 4 zoning permits to the Board.

Kurt Davis --	Addition	Kevin Stevens --	Addition
John Empey --	New stick home	Earl Jones --	Historic restoration
Chevron Pipe --	New stick building		
Marvin Berry --	Ag building	Thomas Walster --	Ag building
Lance Munns --	Ag building	Kevin Ball --	Ag building

It was further mentioned that Brian Scott has not purchased the extension for his building permit, Kris Eddy has not provided the documentation proving their nonprofit

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status to allow the improvements they are doing on their property by exit 17, and the land owners by Gardner Canyon continue to show improvements without proper permits even though they have been spoken to.

The department heads assembled to plan out how they would address the “Capitol for a Day” on August 14th. Assignments were given to various members for the purpose of leading the discussion for the topics that were to be addressed.

Scott Leavitt discussed the County insurance. The dental insurance will increase by only 3% if they choose to continue with the current policy. The Lifewise life insurance will not increase this year. The medical information will not be known for about two weeks. Scott also updated the Commissioners on some of the new legislation that has passed and bills that have been proposed. The request was made to contact Jared Sorensen to see if he is interested in placing a bid for the medical insurance.



O’neil Schwartz came before the Board to discuss the road at 5000 North Old Hwy. 191. This road, know to many as rattle snake road, leads up to a small piece of property owned by Mr. Schwartz. He researched the Commissioners minutes back several years and found where the discussion had taken place in regards to abandoning this road along with a couple of others. O’neil asked if the County would be willing to open up this road and begin maintaining it again. The Commissioners stated that it would not be in the best interest of the county to take this small section of road into the county inventory.

Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to accept resolution # 2012-07-02 and # 2012-07-03 accepting the full PILT payment for the FY2013 year and to accept the full funding of the SRS monies, also for FY2013, and to designate 15% of the SRS monies to title II projects.

Commissioner Sweeten seconded and the motion carried.

One letter certifying residency for a CSI student was signed.

A two year contract for Searle and Hart to continue providing their audit services for the County with an increase of \$1000.00 per year was presented. The Commissioners asked if it would be possible to negotiate a smaller increase. The county clerk will call and see what can be done.

Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting as written.

Commissioner Tubbs seconded and the motion was approved



Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to approve the claims as submitted.
Commissioner Sweeten seconded and the motion carried.

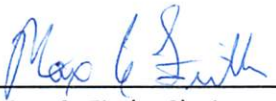
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Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to move into an executive session to discuss medical indigent matters. (case #10-2012-10015)
Commissioner Sweeten seconded and the motion carried.

Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to deny the application for medical indigent, case #10-2012-10015 due to lack of co operation.
Commissioner Sweeten seconded and the motion carried.

Attorney Dustin Smith brought back information that questions the status of the property right of way on the recently rezoned Jones property on 100 W. More research will need to take place before anything can be determined for certain.
Commissioner Firth will talk to Mike Hess, the new owner of this property and let him know of the current status of this issue.

Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to adjourn.
Commissioner Sweeten seconded and the motion carried.



Max C. Firth, Chairman



Matthew L. Colton, Clerk