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

The meeting was opened by Commissioner Firth.

Commissioner Daniels mentioned that a member of the community asked if the county had any service projects large enough for a group of about 200 youth. The suggestions were to consider road side cleanup in the county and city or to speak to the fair board about possible projects at the fairgrounds.

The claims were reviewed for payment.

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

Departmental reports:

Road and Bridge would like to renew the gravel contract for the Wittman pit. The cost would be \$2.50 per ton. The commissioners agreed that the contract should be approved.

The Stone gravel pit has no caretaker at this time. A citizen in that area of the county offered to help in this position. It was suggested that the man currently given oversight of the landfill in Stone might also watch over the gravel pit. The commissioners will pursue this second option.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to approve the renewal of the Wittman contract for gravel and the rate of \$2.50 per ton.
Commissioner Tubbs seconded and the motion carried.

Weed department requested a bonus for one of the part time workers for their good performance during the summer spray season. The Commissioners recognized the good work that was done but thought it best to offer an increase to the hourly wage for this person if they return next year rather than exceeding this year's budget.

Treasurer's office will hire a new employee this coming week to replace her chief deputy.

Assessor has completed the abstracts for the State and also has completed 82% of the appraisals that are due every five years.

Prosecutor will be attending meetings in the coming week. He also reported that he is looking into ways to speed up the process of giving the incarcerated their day in court as a means to cut back on jail cost.

Sheriff reported that we have 10 inmates currently being housed. The Cop's grant will be coming to a close. He is currently preparing to hire another deputy and a dispatcher.

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Commissioner Daniels gave a breakdown of the county expenses and indicated that about one third of the budget is spent on the justice system dealing with those that break the law. She expressed her desire to utilize the savings of the onetime revenues received through PILT (payment in lieu of taxes) to benefit the law abiding citizens by updating the counties infrastructure.

The drug dog currently has no certified handler and the commissioners questioned the decision to continue to pay the expenses that he incurs. It was determined that the drug dog could be a valuable asset to the county and the cost to replace him in the future would be too great. The cost to have a deputy certified to handle the dog would be minimal in comparison. The decision was made to keep the dog for the present and to work towards certifying a deputy.

Planning and Zoning: eight (8) building permits were submitted for approval. David Thorsted had requested a variance for a reduced setback on the frontage of the property so that he could build closer to the road. He received a variance denial from the P&Z board but the suggestion was made to bring it before the commissioners for further review. After discussion it was found that the measurement for the setback was taken from a fence line. The suggesting was made to take the measurement from the center of the road.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to table the discussion until further information could be obtained.

Commissioner Tubbs seconded and the motion carried.

Property in a subdivision on 5800 west has been purchased and the new land owner has requested that he be able to make a Plat amendment in order to split his property into additional building lots for family members.

Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to approve the plat amendment as requested. Commissioner Daniels seconded the motion with the stipulation that the road remain a private road with no winter maintenance.

Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to approve the eight building permits as presented.

Commissioner Daniels seconded and the motion carried.

Information was provided that the contract to house inmates across state lines must be approved by the State Attorney General. Commissioner Daniels indicated that Caribou was willing to discuss a different rate for the jail beds used by Oneida County.

The Joint Treasurer and Auditors report was reviewed.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to approve the Joint Treasurer and Auditors report as presented.

Commissioner Tubbs seconded and the motion carried.

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Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to approve the meeting minutes from the last regular meeting.

Commissioner Daniels seconded and the motion carried.

The question was raised about the communication hardware that was to be purchased from the Homeland Security funds. Due to the proper paperwork not preceding the purchase of items the county is responsible for the full balance. It was decided the cost should come from the 911 funds.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to adjust the expenses for the communications equipment installed earlier this year to show as being paid from the 911 funds instead of the emergency services account.

Commissioner Tubbs seconded and the motion carried.

The Forest service agreed sign an MOU, yet to be drafted, with Oneida County for the in kind work to be accomplished in conjunction with the Narrows rebuild. It was also mentioned that the county would like to renew the special use permit for the Deep Creek reservoir. Commissioner Firth indicated that he spoke with the land owner who agreed to the access to this site.

Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to approve the special use permit with the Forest Service for the Deep Creek reservoir.

Commissioner Daniels seconded and the motion carried.

Commissioner Daniels reported that she had offered Caribou \$60.00 dollars per bed for guaranteed beds and \$67.00 dollars for all additional beds. Their counter offer was \$62.00 dollars for the guaranteed beds and \$67.00 dollars for all additional beds.

Commissioner Tubbs made the recommendation to accept the jail contract at a rate of \$62.00 dollars per day per bed for a guarantee of eight beds and a charge of \$67.00 dollars per day for all additional beds as used.

Commissioner Daniels seconded and the motion carried.

Commissioner Daniels made changes to a sample Memorandum of Understanding that will be adopted by Oneida and Power county for the Joint office of Public Defender.

A teleconference was held with the Power County commissioners to review the MOU and make changes as needed. It was decided that the cost for this first year of the agreement would be around a 60% - 40% split with Oneida county paying the small amount. This percentage was determined from the number of cases handled in the past year. Final changes to the draft MOU will be made and a copy sent to Power County and Idaho Association of Counties for review before signing.

County Benefits: Scott Leavitt reported to the BOCC that the Dental and Life insurance would not increase for the coming year. The medical insurance did however increase by

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7.75%. This increase was less than expected and the commissioners were infavor of accepting the new rate changes for FY2017.

Commissioner Tubbs made a motion to approve the new insurance rates for Medical benefits at an increase of 7.75% for the coming year.
Commissioner Daniels seconded and the motion carried.

Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to approve \$5,000.00 dollars for the Senior Citizens center for the coming fiscal year.
Commissioner Daniels seconded and the motion carried.

After a final review of the budget, with a couple of pending changes, the commissioners gave the ok to publish the budget prior to the public hearing and final adoption.

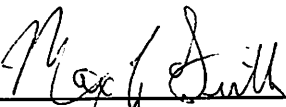
Commissioner Tubbs made the motion to move into the scheduled executive session.
Commissioner Daniels seconded and the motion carried.

Following the executive session the following decisions were made.

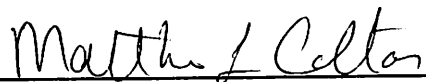
Commissioner Daniels made the motion to move Wes Tapp to a temporary full time position in the Landfill department and to post for a part time gate worker in the same department.
Commissioner Tubbs seconded and the motion carried.

Commissioner Daniels made the motion to increase the Pay for Wes to \$14.00 dollars per hour during this time.
Commissioner Tubbs seconded and the motion carried.

With no further business to conduct the meeting was adjourned.



Max C. Firth, Chairman



Matthew L. Colton, Clerk