

OVERISEL TOWNSHIP  
Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting  
01/10//2017

**Call to Order:** Supervisor Russ Van Dam called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and Renee Hop opened with prayer.

**Members Present:** Russ Van Dam, Pat Reuschel, Renee Hop, Harv Jipping and Tom Flokstra

**Minutes:** The Jan 10, 2017 Board meeting minutes were read for approval.

**Al Co Commissioner:** Jim Storey gave a report on county activities: LG Chem is expanding-adding 100 employees, new road commissioner Jim Rybicky replaced Bruce Culver who retired after 36 yrs, looking at unfunded pension liability and what to do, Mark Whitte from mental health resigned, new sheriff looking at better coverage in Allegan county.

**Road Commissioner:** Bob Kaarlie was absent.

**Overisel Fire Department:** Assistant Chief Mike DeWeerd reported a total of 10 calls for January. Tom reported that the fireboard interviewed four potential firemen, made a wish list of prioritized items needed, Schipper and Eding will be new training officers, increase fire department firemen to 30 persons.

**Overisel/Fillmore Deputy:** Deputy Retamal was absent, a total of 75 calls for January, 42 for Fillmore and 33 for Overisel.

**Zoning Report:** Planning board meeting next week.

**Supervisor:** January and February the transfer station is closed. Allegan conservation has a seedling sale, order online at [allegancd.org/store](http://allegancd.org/store) by March 31, 2017. Road bids coming soon. The Annual Budget Hearing is March 21, 2017 at 7:30, immediately following our regular meeting.

**Motions:**

1. A motion was made by Tom Flokstra and supported by Pat Reuschel to increase fire department numbers from 28 to 30 persons as recommended amount of firemen needed. Motion Carried.
2. A motion was made by Renee Hop and supported by Tom Flokstra to hire four new firemen, Mason Horsting, Casey Coster, Tim Green and Ross Brink. Motion Carried.
3. A motion was made by Tom Flokstra and supported by Pat Reuschel to purchase an air compressor from the Holland fire department for \$4,500. Motion Carried.
4. A motion was made by Renee Hop and supported by Pat Reuschel to approve a pickup for station 1 as stated on the wish list, with a minimum of two quotes needed. Motion Carried.
5. A motion was made by Tom Flokstra and supported by Harv Jipping to approve the wish list items from the fire board: radio accessories-\$5,000, garage opener-\$1,100, TV-\$500, 2 AED-\$6,000, generator-\$7,000 Motion Carried.
6. A motion was made by Renee Hop and supported by Harv Jipping to approve the budget adjustments stated in the February revenue and expenditure report. Motion Carried.
7. A motion was made by Harv Jipping and supported by Tom Flokstra to approve the annual salary resolution of Supervisor-\$17,500, clerk-\$19,500, treasurer- \$20,500. Motion Carried.

8. A motion was made by Russ Van Dam and supported by Renee Hop to approve the federal poverty guidelines, application and additional asset guidelines- which must be less than \$15,000. Motion Carried.
9. A motion was made by Renee Hop and supported by Pat Reuschel to approve Catherine Kaufman as our acting township attorney. Motion Carried.
10. A motion was made by Harv Jipping and supported by Tom Flokstra to approve the PA116 of 018-014-007-00 -Compagner of 36 acres for 30 years. Motion Carried.
11. A motion was made by Pat Reuschel and supported by Harv Jipping to pay the bills as presented. Motion Carried.
12. A motion was made by Renee Hop and supported by Pat Reuschel that the meeting stand adjourned. Motion Carried.

**\*\* Note \*\* Next Meeting:** The Overisel Township Board of trustees Annual Budget Hearing will be held Tuesday, March 21, 2017,, following the regular board meeting at 7:30 pm, in the Overisel Township hall.

Renee Hop, Clerk