

**CLEON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
DATE SEPTEMBER 08, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor, Dave Myers called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.at the Cleon Township Hall.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL Board Members present: Dave Myers-Supervisor, Linda Cudney - Treasurer, Gary Porter-Trustee, Amy Herrst-Clerk, Abraham Canfield-Trustee

GUESTS and /or VISITORS: Chelsea Cooper, Sarah Archer, Pat Milliron

PUBLIC COMMENT:

SET / AMEND THE AGENDA: Motion by Gary Porter, **seconded** by Abe Canfield to Set/Amend the Agenda. AIF

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

July 14th, 2021 Board Meeting minutes: **Motion by** Linda Cudney, **seconded by** Gary Porter, to accept the meeting minutes. AIF

TREASURERS REPORT:

We had land use permits, Revenue sharing check, interest and one inurnment. ARPA funds were approved and awaiting the first payment.

Motion by Gary Porter, **seconded by** Abe Canfield to approve treasurer's report. AIF

BUDGET AMENDMENT/PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Payment of bills: **Motion by** Gary Porter, **seconded by** Linda Cudney to accept the Payment of bills AIF.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

A. TRUSTEES

Gary Porter: Copemish Market has 3 potential buyers. Two of them are interested in both markets.

Abe Canfield: Could not attend MCRC meeting. Dave attended for him. Was torn between his position as a board member and on a personal level about the marijuana opt in discussion. He reached out to 4 different community members and two were for it and the income it could generate and two were against for religious reasons. How can we reach more people about township business? Maybe look into social media or a website?

B. TREASURER: MTA dinner is 9/22 @ Norman Hall. Township officials are paid for and spouses cost \$15 each. RSVP by Sept 15 to Linda. We got our audit finished up and it

is good for two years. Cemetery totes will be cut off at end of Sept and stored in the mausoleum. Thanks goes out to Barb, her deputy for holding down the fort while on vacation and dealing with the power outage and internet issues.

C. CLERK: I need to send in the certificate and report of millage signed by Dave to the county. We need to set the election commission meeting for 10/13/21 at 6:45 to elect the inspectors.

D. SUPERVISOR: Resigned from president of the Friends of SMART trails. Now just on the board only. Attended the MCRC meeting and it was impressive how it was run. Cleon seemed to be a focus for getting things done. Jim Russel is a commissioner and in our community. They also very much appreciate Abe when he comes to the meetings.

E. ZONING: Barb not present but Linda stated they had one permit last month and two this month along with new addresses.

F: PLANNING: Next meeting October 6th 2021.

G: FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Cleon Township Fire Dept. monthly report: *See attached*

Mark suggests us getting a monitor/smart screen to have in the hall for purposes of connecting a computer for presentations. Maybe next years budget could include a laptop for the township to be connected. The revenue sharing grant for boots and gloves came in and needs to be picked up. Jim Mori needs to be contacted for heater check before winter. Mark will look into the technology connections in the office and asses if we can upgrade to a better system.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Board Member Action Plan Items:

Dave- Contacted several contractors about the front entrance repair and got one back from Jamie Milarch Inc. for \$7000.

Motion by Gary Porter, seconded by Abe Canfield for Milarch Inc. to complete the work at the price of \$7000. AIF **Roll Call** 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

Amy-sent thank you to Gene as he completed one of the signs.

Linda- Continuing to create a pandemic plan.

Gary-

Abe-

2. Cemetery update: complete except for the correct spigots need to be purchased still. Having a hard time locating theses. Flags will be taken down after Veterans Day. Water will be shut off Oct 1. Thank you to Dave for cleaning up the huge down tree that fell in the most recent storm.
3. There was a special meeting on Sept 7th at 6:30 to further discussion on a Cannabis Regulatory Advisory Committee. We will put it on the agenda for next month after Springdale and the village decide if they want to be involved. Dave will contact Bill about going to the Village meeting next Tuesday to present.
4. Mark presented more about future hall plans at special meeting on Sept 8th at 6:30 pm. We will move forward looking at other venues we may want to pull ideas from as well as financing options.

5. Manistee Co Summit set for Sept 16 8am. All of the board and Teri Milarch from Planning commission are going except for Gary Porter.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Chelsea Cooper presented for the Manistee Conservation District. A summary report is attached.
2. Sarah Archer gave an update on the recycling program. GFL will be taking over the recycling contract. Cleon recycled 18,000lbs of material last year. She also requested the renewal of the Recycling Program Interlocal Agreement for 2022. **Motion by** Linda Cudney, **seconded by** Abe Canfield to enter into the Recycling Program Interlocal Agreement for 2022. AIF
3. We amended the Fire contract with Springdale on 8/25/2020 to be for one year ending on March 31 2022. At that time, we will create another 3-year term contract.

CORRESPONDENCE: See attached

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Linda: *presented the postcard for the ACA fundraising event coming up on Oct 2 at the Ramsdell theater in Manistee.*

ADJOURNMENT: **Motion by** Gary Porter, **seconded by** Abe Canfield **AIF**
TIME: 8:47 PM

Next Board Meeting scheduled for October 13th, 2021 at 7 PM
Amy Herrst -Cleon Township Clerk

BOARD MEMBER ACTION PLAN:

Dave:

Will contact Bill about presenting at the Village of Copemish meeting next week.
Will accept bid for the front entrance with Milarch Inc.
Will contact Jared Milarch about shutting off the water in the cemetery.
Will put on the agenda for next month to make a motion about the Cannabis Regulatory Advisory Committee.

Amy:

Will research website options for the township.

Linda:

Will continue creating a pandemic action plan for our township.
Will contact Jim Mori about winter check up on furnace.
Will contact the USDA and Honor Bank executive Steve Mitchell about financing options for the new hall plans.

Gary:

Abe:

Will attend the next Manistee Co Rd Commission meeting Oct 13th, 2021.

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