

**CLEON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
DATE MAY 8, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor, Dave Myers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.at the Cleon Township Hall.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

GUESTS and /or VISITORS: Fred Campbell-presented the board with two change orders and asked that we review them. The board decided a **special meeting** was needed for this so we will schedule one for **5/16/24 at 6:30PM**. No withdraw this month. The proposal for the B&Z well drilling was presented. **Approval of payment for well drilling and installation:** The cost is \$12794.44 to be paid at time of completion. **Motion** by Gary Porter, **seconded** by Abe Canfield to approve the well estimate. **Roll Call Ayes 5 Nays 0.**

Rob Carson with Networks Northwest-Contracted by Manistee County. They are surveying the county for a possible county wide planning or joint planning discussion. He gave out surveys for the board members to complete. The county wants to know who would be open to discussion on the topic. There are a few open community discussion sessions planned for the County master plan and this would be a part of those to start.

Karla Kasten-Manistee Recycling. She would like to know if we are interested in keeping with the county contract. She gave updates of the changes and more opportunities to come. Fees will stay the same currently and the new contracts will likely be out in July.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

SET / AMEND THE AGENDA:

Motion by Linda Cudney, **seconded** by Gary Porter to Set/Amend the Agenda. AIF

CONSENT AGENDA: **Motion** by Linda Cudney, **seconded** by Gary Porter to approve the Consent Agenda. AIF

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

April 10, 2024 Board meeting minutes

TREASURERS REPORT: *See attached*

BUDGET AMENDMENT/PAYMENT OF BILLS:

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

A. TRUSTEES

Gary Porter: No Report

Abe Canfield: Abe turned in his affidavit to be on the ballot as trustee next term.

B. TREASURER: Lambda letter of breach in security was sent to Cogent to ask about the effect on us. Due to it being client information related and the township not having any information involved we should have nothing to worry about. We received the \$20,000 from Springdale for the Fire Contract. Food pantry will meet on the 16th of May at the hall. Feed America Food truck will be in Copemish on May 17th. Lisa from United Way is leaving. The Road Fund CD is up for renewal. We currently have \$6337 in it and if we add \$3662.41 to make \$10,000, we can renew for 7 months at 4.90% **Motion** by Gary Porter, **seconded** by Abe Canfield to approve the renewal of the Road CD. **Roll Call Ayes 5 Nays 0.** To date we have spent \$753,099.07 on the new hall project, with \$592,454.07 coming from USDA. The 1st principal/interest payment went through as of today. Next meeting we need to add the Bond resolution to the agenda for the L-429.

C. CLERK: I attended the first clerk meeting since covid restrictions caused them to stop. We voted on officers and talked about the EV support contract through Election source. We need to decide on how we want support to be handled. Potentially it could be a up to a \$2400 cost per Federal Election year.

D. SUPERVISOR: Water and garbage have been opened at cemetery. Be aware of email phishing scams with Dave's name on them. Look closely at the email it is coming from.

E. ZONING: 2 permits. Still actively working on the Read rd. clean-up situation.

F: PLANNING: *Cancelled May meeting.*

G: MRCM: They are implementing lots of changes; a main priority is to update technology. ORV's can now drive on any county roads stating soon. Continued bridge repair in our area.

H: FIRE DEPARTMENT: *See attached report*

We need to schedule a cost recovery meeting to update our current ordinance.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 1. Board Member Action Plan Items:** all action plan items completed or in process of completion.
- 2. Cannabis Ordinance Review:** planning on getting this done at next meeting.
- 3. Township Hall Plans:** Consumers Energy needs to get easement access approved from the neighboring properties to complete the connection.
- 4. Township Park Project:** Dave is pursuing the revenue sharing from Leelanau to see if they might approve the park project.
- 5. 2024 Cemetery mowing contract:** After only receiving response back from one, Milarch's for \$910 (same as last year) will be the choice we go with for mowing contract. **Motion** by Abe Canfield, **seconded** by Gary Porter to use Milarch's to maintain the cemetery mowing for 2024 season. **AIF**

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **No payment draw or approval needed this month for new hall.** *See above for other related items.*
2. **Road CD Renewal-See above**

CORRESPONDENCE:

See Attached

MTA Annual Dinner Meeting May 22

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: **Linda:** Bill Muha the assessor needs to purchase a new computer. The last one was from 2016 and is outdated for the technology needed. He is asking the board to approve up to \$1000 to purchase a new one. **Motion** by Linda Cudney, **seconded** by Amy Herrst to approve the purchase of a new computer up to \$1000. **Roll Call Ayes 5 Nays 0.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS: **Mark:** July 17th the Railroad Historical Society of Northern Michigan will be presenting at the Arcadia methodist Church, The History of the Arcadia-Betsie River Railroad.

ADJOURNMENT: **Motion** by Gary Porter, **seconded** by Abe Canfield **AIF**
TIME: 8:58 PM

Next Board Meeting scheduled for June 12th, 2024 at 7 PM
Minutes taken by Amy Herrst -Cleon Township Clerk

BOARD MEMBER ACTION PLAN:

Dave: Will follow through with the application for revenue sharing in Leelanau County for park project.

Amy: Will post the special meeting for 5/16/24

Linda: Will continue to be the liaison between USDA and architect for the new Fire Station/Township offices.