

CLEON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
DATE JUNE 12, 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; Absent: Abraham Canfield-Trustee

GUESTS and /or VISITORS: **Tim Knoper**-President of the Benzie Manistee Dirtbirds. Presented proposed route maps for ORV trails. They are an ORV community that meets monthly 3rd Sat of month at 14121 Industrial Dr Kaleva, MI. They focus on ORV law, rules, and respect for the community. Asking Cleon for a signed letter of support. **Motion** by Amy Herrst, **seconded** by Gary Porter to approve the proposed routes the Dirtbirds are asking for. See attached map and letter.

Alin Kuttala- Introduction and running for county commissioner for District 2 Manistee County. Democratic political party.

Evelyn Hawkins- follow-up on the letter sent last month and planning commission decision regarding the Twisted Trails special use permit and stipulations.

Frank Gillis- Disputing a fire charge of \$500. **Motion** by Amy Herrst, **seconded** by Linda Cudney to dismiss the fire charge. AIF

Fred Campbell-with the boards blessing will contact USDA to figure out the 1st change order and the effects it will have on the payments from USDA. Change order #1 was approved at special meeting on May 16th. We are verbally committing to the change order #2 with omissions that will be added to #1. Taking \$16,170 and adding it to the \$95040 for #1. **Approval of payment for change order #1 with additional:** The cost is \$111,210 to be paid at time of completion. **Motion** by Linda Cudney, **seconded** by Gary Porter to approve the well estimate. **Roll Call Ayes 4 Nays 0.**

Fred Herendeen-Presented the cost comparison of two different floor products. We decided to go with the MacroEpoxy floor covering at approximately \$6500 in materials, labor donated. This is a \$20,000 cost saving gift to the township.

Approval of payment for new hall project: Draw #6 for \$95,190 approved to Milarch Inc. **Motion** by Gary Porter, **seconded** by Amy Herrst to pay Draw #6. **Roll Call Ayes 4 Nays 0.**

Approval of payment for Consumers Energy to construct underground service: The cost no more than \$5776 to be paid at prior to completion. **Motion** by Amy Herrst, **seconded** by Gary Porter to approve Consumers Energy build out. **Roll Call Ayes 4 Nays 0.**

Mark got the well permit paid and will need the permit and reimbursement of \$180.

Mark will contact Acentek and see what if any the cost will be to hook up the new telecommunications.

Motion by Gary Porter, **seconded** by Amy Herrst to allow Mark to communicate with Acentek on the board's behalf. AIF

PUBLIC COMMENT:

SET / AMEND THE AGENDA:

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

May 8, 2024 Board meeting minutes & May 16, 2024 Special meeting minutes

TREASURERS REPORT: *See attached*

BUDGET AMENDMENT/PAYMENT OF BILLS:

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

A. TRUSTEES

Gary Porter: No Report

Abe Canfield: No Report

B. TREASURER: The summer newsletter is coming out soon so get info to Linda about what you want in it. Audit was completed and went well. We ended up paying less because we had not accrued \$750,000 from USDA yet. Feed America Food truck was in Copemish on May 17th. Great turnout! Lisa from United Way has left the company. Project Fresh for seniors is at Cleon on June 14 2024. Household income needed to receive coupons. Clean-up Day went very well. We had 61 people (12 from the village) 64 loads, 39 tires and came in right around \$3000. Linda will be on vacation the 1st week in July. Congrats to Mark on the Revenue Sharing Grants!!

C. CLERK: We talked more about the EV support contract through Election source. They decided to purchase extra EV equipment for standby and go with the \$300/hr. maintenance fee for on-call as needed. Mike Strondosky sent a letter explaining why he could only pay a portion of the fire bill and asked for time to pay the rest.

D. SUPERVISOR: Cemetery is looking good as of now.

E. ZONING: none

F: PLANNING: *see attached*

G: MRCM: no report

H: FIRE DEPARTMENT: *See attached report*

Background check on Aaron Shaver needs to be done by the supervisor. Pending his check, a **motion** to hire Aaron on a 90 days probationary period has been **made by** Linda Cudney, **seconded by** Gary Porter. AIF

3 Revenue Sharing Grants Awarded; \$6500 grant for the Gator; check to Linda Bower for \$6300. **Motion** by Gary Porter, **seconded** by Linda Cudney to approve the payment to Linda Bower for \$6300. **Roll Call Ayes 4 Nays 0.**

\$3254.67 requested and covered by grant for rapid air system. **Motion** by Gary Porter, **seconded** by Linda Cudney to approve the payment for \$3254.67. **Roll Call Ayes 4 Nays 0.**

Invoices from Kendall Electric after June 3rd can be included in the grant as well.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Board Member Action Plan Items:** all action plan items completed or in process of completion.
2. **Cannabis Ordinance Review:** still no updates.
3. **Township Hall Plans:** *See above.*
4. **Township Park Project:** Dave has submitted to revenue sharing from Leelanau to see if they might approve the park project.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Approval of payment for new hall project:** Draw #6 *see above.*
2. **Bond Resolution for L-4029:** Per the Bond counsel we have adopted the Fire Hall/ Township offices milage to be set at 0.8100 as well as the full amount for the operating millages as well. The certificate has been signed by the supervisor and will be sent to the county. **Resolution #06122024. Made by Dave Myers and seconded by Gary Porter. Roll Call Ayes 4 Nays 0.**
3. **Cost Recovery Ordinance:** The board and Mark will calculate and formulate what should be included I the cost recovery and bring to the next meeting for draft review.
4. **Laura Plamondon Easement:** Mark and Dave will speak with the township attorney about the legal restrictions or implications of allowing this easement in association with the new hall project.

CORRESPONDENCE:

See Attached

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Amy: Election Commission meeting set for July 10 at 6:45PM.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Gary Porter, **seconded** by Dave Myers AIF
TIME: 8:59 PM

Next Board Meeting scheduled for July 10th, 2024 at 7 PM

Minutes taken by Amy Herrst -Cleon Township Clerk

BOARD MEMBER ACTION PLAN:

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

Will be in correspondence with the township attorney for the easement situation.

Amy: Will complete the L-4029/resolution and return signed to the county.

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

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