

**CLEON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
DATE AUGUST 10, 2022**

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, Gary Porter-Trustee, Amy Herrst-Clerk. Absent: Abraham Canfield-Trustee

GUESTS and /or VISITORS: Evelyn Hawkins, Todd Humphrey, John Brief, Fred Campbell, Dave Saunders

PUBLIC COMMENT: Evelyn Hawkins: Is concerned about the campers on Read Rd/ Yates Rd. She knows the owners of the property is named Hamilton. She is concerned with the growing number of campers/non-working vehicles and no water or septic at the site. She wants to know what can be done or is being done. She is willing to put forth a formal complaint. Amy will correlate an email between Barb the ZA and Evelyn that will include the steps needed to be taken to do so.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

July 13, 2022 board meeting minutes **by** Linda Cudney, **seconded** by Gary Porter, to accept the meeting minutes. AIF

TREASURERS REPORT:

We had 3 land use permits. FD received a refund for \$14.93 from Acentek after FD phone was cancelled. Cemetery received a \$500 check to cover the deductible to the insurance claim on the fence. Also, it was accompanied by an apology from Kent Currie.

Motion by Gary Porter, **seconded by** Amy Herrst to approve treasurer's report. AIF

BUDGET AMENDMENT/PAYMENT OF BILLS:

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

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

A. TRUSTEES

Gary Porter: Happy to hear the bond passed.

Abe Canfield:

B. TREASURER: On behalf of the Copemish Heritage Days 5K would like to thank the township for use of the hall. Also thank the FD for their volunteer time. Lambda Energy will be renting the hall on Aug 16 11-3PM. The millage did pass. USDA has since raised the interest rate to 3.25% it was at 2.5%. This will cause us to come up \$714.59 short for the first payment. We are awaiting a response from Corrina as to how to cover this. *See attached fee schedule.* Determination of ARPA funds from the county has been tabled until the next meeting to include the election results. The last meeting was met with negative feedback from the majority of commissioners.

C. CLERK: Elections are now certified and we had a very successful turnout with 249 voters. Nov election prep is now in full swing. Copemish Heritage Days was another success. We need to recruit more volunteers help next year to spread out the work. Amy will be on vacation the week of Aug 14th. Michelle will still carry out office hours at regular time. We purchased the new shredder and a vacuum under the \$500 allotted. I would ask for a motion to declare the vacuum surplus property so that we can give it to someone in need. Budget Amendment: Fire needs to take \$1500 from line 206-339-728 and move to 336-929. **Motion by** Linda Cudney, **seconded by** Amy Herrst to declare the vacuum surplus property. AIF

D. SUPERVISOR: July BOR meeting saw 3 applicants. 2 were poverty exemptions and 1 was declared a reduced payment. Cemetery water bid came back for \$704.00 Jared Milarch said he would complete it by Labor Day. **Motion by** Linda Cudney, **seconded by** Amy Herrst to shut off the cemetery garbage pick-up for the year. AIF

E. ZONING: 3 land use permits issued.

F: PLANNING: Marijuana Ordinance from attorney with edits were approved and adopted and now will be sent back for final approval. County planning will be notified with the ordinances after they are returned. Donna Humphrey from Twisted Trails brought in the new plans for expansion of the campground and building of a new grocery store on property. These have been sent on to the lawyers to look over. They are also up for review of the special use permit.

G: FIRE DEPARTMENT: *See report attached* Mark is absent tonight but Dave is representing the FD. The State mandate for training will be with foam. FD is all very happy the millage passed. Amber Roussain has fire charges associated with her accident and she is since deceased. The board would like to dismiss those charges. **Motion by** Gary Porter, **seconded by** Linda Cudney to dismiss charges. **Roll Call Vote:** 4 Aye's 0 Nay's. Be on the lookout for an ORV accident associated with Twisted Trails we may want to look into dismissing since no FD work was performed only dispatched.

H: MRCM: Grading, brining, mowing, pothole patching and tree removals all happening. The MCRC entered into a contract with the Forrest Service to maintain some secondary roads. *See attached Report.*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Board Member Action Plan Items: all action plan items completed.

2. **Cannabis Ordinance Review:** No new updates. Planning commission is still awaiting the final draft of ordinances from lawyers. Then will go to county planning.
1. **Township Hall Plans:** Millage has passed. Work will commence and we received a contract from JML Design to move forward. Roughly 40% of the process is complete with the drawings. Still need is site drawings, utilities, mechanical, electrical and plumbing. We need motion to approve contract. **Motion by** Linda Cudney, **seconded by** Gary Porter to accept the architectural contract that will not exceed \$34,500. **Roll Call Vote:** 4 Aye's 0 Nay's. Special Meeting for the new hall to be set for September 14th at 6pm.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. County 18th Annual Summit Sept 29th 8am at the Wagoner Center, Manistee. MTA Annual Dinner Meeting Sept 29th 6pm at Norman Township Hall, Wellston- All board members who wish to go to either of these can let Amy know as soon as possible.

CORRESPONDENCE

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Gary Porter, seconded by Linda Cudney AIF
TIME: 8:22 PM

Next Board Meeting scheduled for September 14th, 2022 at 7 PM
Minutes taken by Amy Herrst -Cleon Township Clerk

BOARD MEMBER ACTION PLAN:

Dave: Will unlock building for Lambda on Aug 16th at 10 am
Will contact timber removal companies.
Will call Josh Shields, Manistee Co Conservation District to possibly manage as a forester and tree removal.
Will review any planning or zoning requirements with the village.

Amy: Will connect Evelyn Hawkins with Barb, ZA via email
Will submit the election security grant info.

Linda:

Will facilitate the process for the new USDA Loan.