

Clarendon Township Board Meeting

Monday, ~~April~~^{May 14} 9, 2018
Regular Meeting Minutes

- I. **Opening:** Present were Steve Schrock, Sharla Vincent, Rose Mary Berry, Tim Anderson, and Jim Russell. Also present were eight members of the public.
 - A. Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM by Steve Schrock followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
- II. **Additions to and Approval of Agenda:** Rose Mary Berry moved to approve agenda; Tim Anderson supported; motion carried.
- III. **Public Voice:**
 - A. Ms. Tomak, candidate for District Court Judge presented her credentials and goals in running for the office as did Mr. Callton, candidate for State Senate.
 - B. Greg Moore, representing Consumers Energy, addressed the Consumers Energy Franchise Ordinance on the meeting agenda. It is a 30 year agreement and can be terminated with 60 day notice. He was available to answer questions.
- IV. **Minutes:** Tim Anderson moved to approve the April regular meeting minutes; Rose Mary Berry supported; motion carried.
- V. **Correspondence:** Invitation to Legislative Breakfast in June in Albion; Consumer Energy hearing on rate reduction notice
- VI. **Treasurer's Report:** Sharla Vincent moved to approve Treasurer's report; Tim Anderson supported; motion carried.
- VII. **Accounts Payable:** Tim Anderson moved we approve bills amounting to \$17,236.87; Rose Mary Berry supported; motion carried.
- VIII. **Committee Reports:**
 - A. **Ambulance Report** (Steve Schrock): There were 7 calls in Clarendon in March. Revenue and Expenses are on track to meet budget. Operating manger has resigned. His duties will be split. Hired 2 new paramedics and one part-time.
 - B. **Homer Lake Board** (Tim Anderson): Will monitor the weed spraying. Checked assessments and found some errors. Any excess funds will be used to pay down account or doing brush.
 - C. **Homer Fire Board** (Rose Mary Berry or Tim Anderson): Received another lease form from the village with the same terms. There have been erroneous statements published in the newspaper regarding the Authority's acceptance of the lease. It was sent back to the village with a counter-proposal for the Authority to purchase the building for \$1 and assume insurance costs etc., with the proviso that if the Authority ever wanted to sell the building the Village would be able to repurchase it for \$1. Bank signature cards are now signed. Chief Swope wants to sell the old tanker with the money to be placed into the General Fund.
 - D. **Tekonsha Fire Board** (Terry Petersen): No meeting. The millage request to build a new fire station was defeated.
 - E. **Zoning Administrator Report** (Randy Shank): The 22 Mile Road matter has been turned over to SafeBuilt..
 - F. **Planning Commission Report** (Penny West):
 - G. **Election Report** (Sharla Vincent): None
 - H. **County Road Department Report** (Jim Russell): No manager as yet. The process will restart as the original selection declined the offer.

IX. Old Business:

- A. Cost Recovery Ordinance:** Tabled until a decision made by the Authority
- B. Road Committee:** One suggestion from the committee was the possibility of putting a proposal for 1 mill for roads on the November ballot. There was discussion of having another meeting on the roads in July and to also talk about zoning.
- C. Spring Clean-Up Day:** Went well.

X. New Business:

- A. Cemeteries:** Lane Landis is open to the possibility of selling land to expand the Cook's Prairie Cemetery. Steve Schrock and Tyler Buttes will continue to explore that option.
- B. Consumers Energy Franchise Ordinance 2018-7** was offered by Rose Mary Berry and supported by Tim Anderson. Roll call vote: all board members voted yes with no abstentions.
- C. Property Transfer Affidavit Resolution 2018-3** was offered by Rose Mary Berry and supported by Tim Anderson. Roll call vote: all board members voted yes with no abstentions. This resolution waives the penalty for failure to file Property Transfer Affidavits within 45 days, for all transfers. This waiver may be set aside in specific cases by the Assessor.
- D. Attorney General Opinion:** As requested, the Attorney General's office has issued an opinion on definitions of road construction and maintenance and who is responsible. The opinion states there are no township roads only county roads and that the county is responsible for construction and maintenance. That being said, if townships want road work done they will probably have to contribute funds.

XI. Public Voice:

- A.** Our County Commissioner, Gary Tompkins, reported on a number of County Commission issues and commented on current issues relevant to Clarendon Township. Talked about the New Director hiring process.
- B.** Sexton Tyler Butters reported one burial for the month.

XII. Land Use Permits:

- A.** Phillip Moyer: Pole building
- B.** Sharla Vincent moved to accept the land use permit; Tim Anderson supported; motion carried.

I. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharla Vincent, Clerk

Steve Schrock, Supervisor

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