

**Regular Meeting
May 20, 2015**

Minutes approved 6/17/2015

The regular meeting of the Clearwater Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Niederstadt. Board members present were Niederstadt, Seaman, Crambell & Beland Vance absent. Also present were 24 guests.

Supervisor Niederstadt opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of Board Members: Crambell-yes; Seaman-yes; Beland-yes; Niederstadt-yes. Vance was absent.

Minutes: Moved by Seaman, seconded by Niederstadt to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of April 16, 2015 as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes: Moved by Beland, seconded by Seaman to approve the Special Meeting minutes of April 29, 2015 as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment :

Gisela Chilson expressed concern on when the DNR will complete the parking lot access site on Aarwood Trail. Niederstadt commented DNR has not contacted the township. It is their property and he suggested to contact DNR directly. Discussion over Rapid River Fire Fund contract. Niederstadt stated they agreed to pay. Will get Equalization figures to them. Concerns about Aarwood Trail. Niederstadt next year they will be working with the \$100,000.00 the township has from the mileage on Aarwood Trail. Issues on what part they would work on first was discussed. Above ground fuel storage issue. Seaman suggested if environmental issue start with the DEQ offices in Gaylord and Cadillac.

Agenda approval: Moved by Seaman, seconded by Beland to approve agenda for May 20, 2015. All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report :

General Fund (all accounts) \$252,475.29 ; Public Improvement Fund \$13,137.05 ; Road Improvement \$107,809.70 ; Fire Fund \$153,039.94 ; Fire Equipment Fund \$81,714.64 ; Tax Fund \$530.68.

Clerks Report:

Moved by Crambell, seconded by Beland to pay bills from General Fund as presented, voucher #21336 through 21397. Roll Call Vote, Niederstadt-yes; Seaman-yes; Beland- yes; Crambell-yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Beland, seconded by Seaman to pay bills from Fire Fund as presented, voucher #7432 through # 7456. Roll Call Vote, Niederstadt-yes; Seaman-yes; Beland-yes; Crambell-yes. Motion carried.

Accountability Statement:

Treasurer balanced with the bank and clerk balanced with the treasurer on all accounts.

Sheriff's Report: Deputy Regan Foerster not present. His report was submitted by another deputy.

Fire Department Report: Moved by Beland, seconded by Niederstadt to approve sending 2 people

to training classes for up to \$625.00. Roll Call Vote, Beland-yes; Crambell-yes; Niederstadt-yes; Seaman-yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Niederstadt, seconded by Beland to equip new wash room with water and sewer \$1300.00. Roll Call Vote, Beland-yes; Niederstadt-yes; Seaman-yes; Niederstadt-yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Beland, seconded by Crambell for concrete pad up to \$3890.00 Kenny Barber contractor. Roll Call Vote, Niederstadt-yes; Beland-yes; Seaman-yes; Crambell-yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Beland, seconded by Seaman for replacing hoses for \$7044.00 to come out of Fire Equipment Fund. Roll Call Vote, Niederstadt-yes; Seaman-yes; Beland-yes; Crambell-yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Niederstadt, seconded by Seaman to allow fire department to work with Kalkaska EMR regarding possibility of their emergency vehicle to be stationed at Clearwater Township Fire Station. Motion accepted.

Hospital Report: Marianne Ewald presented the report. Strawberry Social 6-14-2015. Progress on 20 bed Long Term Care.

Parks and Recreation: Pat Gray requested \$600.00 for flowers. Motion by Crambell, seconded by Neiderstadt. Roll Call Vote, Crambell-yes; Beland-yes; Seaman-yes; Niederstadt-yes. Motion carried.

Planning Commission: No representative. Moved by Crambell, seconded by Seaman to re-appoint Tina Fields to 3 year term. Roll Call Vote, Crambell-yes; Beland-yes; Seaman-yes Niederstadt-yes. Motion carried.

Zoning Commission: Report presented by Niederstadt.

Assessor Report: None

Old Business:

Mowing Bids: 3 bids came in, Chain O Lakes \$340.00, Steve's Lawn Care \$320.00, and SJ and Family Lawn Care \$300.00. Moved by Crambell, seconded by Niederstadt to stay local. Bid to go to Chain O Lakes. Roll Call Vote, Seaman-yes; Niederstadt-yes; Crambell-yes; Beland-yes. Motion carried.

Rental Agreement and Personnel Policy: With lawyer

Rapid River Fire Contract: They have agreed to pay and are waiting for Equalization figures from Niederstadt.

Morrison Road Contract: To work on .08 of a mile for \$ 94,909.75. Moved by Crambell, seconded by Niederstadt. Roll Call Vote, Niederstadt-yes; Seaman-yes; Beland-yes; Crambell-yes. Motion carried.

Curb Side Trash Pickup: Committee to present information next meeting.

May 5th Clean-up day cost was basically same as last year.

Crambell left the meeting 8:45 p.m.

Building Committee Update: Decision to expand or add on to existing building. Permission to get estimates and cost from contactors.

Article XXVI: Next month

New Business:

Resignation from BOR Kathy Eldridge to become new clerk. Moved by Niederstadt, seconded Seaman. Motion carried.

Clerk's Accreditation Class: June 23-24 notify on cost

West Plum Valley Rd. Fix: To use \$10,440.00 from Public Improvement Fund for repairs. Moved by Niederstadt, seconded by Seaman. Roll Call Vote, Niederstadt-yes; Beland-no; Seaman-yes. Motion carried

Cedar Street Beach Fix: Damage needs to done by contractor. Permission to get bids.

Bid Fencing: Aarwood Bridge site, 2 bids for posts and split rail; Home Depot \$603.32 and Lowes \$561.67. Moved by Beland, seconded by Seaman for Lowes bid. Roll Call Vote, Niederstadt-yes; Beland-yes; Seaman-yes. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Subject of special assessment for Aarwood Trail repairs. Need to see if possible. Policy on taking bids questioned and explained. BOR position to be advertised.

Meeting adjourned at 9:23p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Eldridge, Recording Secretary

