

Clearwater Township Regular Board Meeting  
August 15, 2019  
Minutes Approved September 19, 2019

The regular meeting of the Clearwater Township Board was called to order at 7:01pm at the Clearwater Township Community Center by Supervisor Mike Gaylord, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call of board members: Barb Crambell-present; Mike Gaylord-present; Jeremy Morrison-present; Greg Bradley-present; Kathy Eldridge-present. Also present were 19 guests in audience.

Motion by Crambell, seconded by Bradley, to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of July 18, 2019.

Roll call vote: Crambell-yes; Morrison-yes; Bradley-yes; Gaylord-yes; Eldridge-yes. Motion passed.

**Declaration of Conflict of Interest:** No conflict.

**Public Comment:** Several audience members spoke on concerns.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Eldridge, seconded by Crambell, to approve agenda. All in favor. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Crambell reported: General Fund, all accounts, \$360,609.35; Public Improvement Fund, \$3,110.14; Road Improvement Fund, \$96,099.01; Fire Fund, \$232,509.94; Fire Equipment Fund, \$31,795.51; Tax Fund, \$32.95.

**Clerk's Report:** Motion by Eldridge, seconded by Morrison, paying bills from General Fund as presented, voucher #24034 through #24091.

Roll call vote: Morrison-yes; Gaylord-yes; Crambell-yes; Bradley-yes; Eldridge-yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Eldridge, seconded by Crambell, paying bills from Fire Fund as presented, voucher #8523 through #8549.

Roll call vote: Crambell-yes; Bradley-yes; Eldridge-yes; Gaylord-yes; Morrison-yes. Motion passed.

Motion by Eldridge, seconded by Crambell, for the board to approve a certificate of authorization to provide online access to the 3 accounts at Alden Bank; General Fund, Fire Fund, and Tax Account. Roll call vote: Bradley-yes; Morrison-yes; Gaylord-yes; Crambell-yes; Eldridge-yes. Motion passed.

**Accountability Statement:** The treasurer balanced with the bank, and the clerk balanced with the treasurer for both June and July.

**Supervisor's Report:** Mike Gaylord updated board on the Point of Sale; provided suggestions to be included in the Master Plan updates.

**Fire Department Report:** Fire Chief Paul Fabiano reported July total of 31 incidents. Two (2) applications were received which will go through the hiring process.

Motion by Morrison, seconded by Crambell, to adopt MERS program for the firefighters.

Roll call vote: Bradley-abstain; Gaylord-yes; Morrison-yes; Crambell-yes; Eldridge-no. Motion passed.

**Sheriff's Report:** Deputy Nate Deveneau reviewed July's activities, reporting overall July 4<sup>th</sup> event was uneventful and went well.

**Kalkaska Co. Commissioner:** No report.

**Planning Commission:** No report.

**Zoning Administration Report:** Adam Parzych reviewed July report with board.

**Parks and Recreation:** Moore reported on Birch Street electric installation at pavilion and that the Juniper Garden Club donated a television to be installed at the Township Community Center.

### **Old Business**

**August Election Update:** Eldridge reported that the turnout was very low at 15%, all 3 County proposals passed.

**Rapid River Fire Protection Status Update:** Eldridge received an email; payments will be made quarterly and the signed contract will arrive soon.

**Tennis Court Foundation Removal Update:** Ralph's Excavating will complete within two weeks.

**Mass Gathering Memo from Planning Commission:** Gaylord read memo. After discussion it was tabled and will be sent back to the Planning Commission modifications.

### **New Business**

**Approval of Road Names:** Motion by Gaylord, seconded by Morrison, to approve names Lunar Drive and Earth Drive for roads.  
All in Favor. Motion passed.

**Fire Station Remodel Bid Review:** Gaylord opened and read the only sealed bid received, which was from South Arm Construction LLC.

Motion by Gaylord, seconded by Crambell, to accept bid from South Arm Construction LLC in the amount of \$166,513.

During discussion, it was stated that the budgeted amount is less than the amount bid.

Motion by Gaylord, seconded by Crambell, to table the decision, instead of accepting, and discuss bid in further detail at a later date.

Roll call vote: Crambell-yes; Eldridge-yes; Morrison-yes; Bradley-yes; Gaylord-yes. Motion passed.

**Glade Valley Rd Bridge Update:** Gaylord reported the Township met with 2 Engineers from MDOT who stated that the Township cannot block the bridge unless we block it off to all vehicular traffic. We will know in 30 days on the findings of the next inspection of the bridge.

**Telecommunications Tower:** Township received a letter from AT&T stating that they have cancelled the lease on the current tower as of June 30, 2020. This would potentially leave the area with no AT&T coverage. There is another variance request to be heard by the ZBA; no decisions will be made until after that meeting.

**Ordinance Issues:** The township is aware of issues and is working through them.

Morrison Road bid went to Reith Riley, and they are on strike, it won't get completed until that is solved.

**Public Comment:** None

**Adjourned:**

Motion by Gaylord to adjourn meeting, seconded by Eldridge. All in favor. Motion passed, ending meeting at 9:17 pm.

Respectively submitted by  
Marletta Day, Recording Secretary