

Clearwater Township Board Regular Meeting

June 18, 2020

Minutes Approved July 23, 2020

The regular meeting of the Clearwater Township Board was called to order at 7:00 pm at the Clearwater Township Community Center by Supervisor Mike Gaylord, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call of board members: Mike Gaylord-present; Jule Moore-present; Barb Crambell-present; Greg Bradley-present; Jeremy Morrison-present. Also present 6 guests in audience.

Declaration of Conflict of Interest: No conflict.

Public Comment: John Roberts, Director of Kankaska County Library, requested endorsement from township for a grant to fund construction of a new library building.

Motion by Gaylord, seconded by Crambell, go ahead and endorse this letter as a township. All in favor. Motion passed.

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

Motion by Moore, seconded by Crambell, to approve the minutes as corrected, with switching the bid amounts to reflect actual bid, from the regular meeting of May 21, 2020.

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

Treasurer's Report: Crambell reported: General Fund, all accounts, \$414,187.95; Public Improvement Fund, \$3,112.92; Road Improvement Fund, \$178,501.47; Fire Fund,\$120,651.04; Fire Equipment Fund, \$84,575.10; Tax Fund, \$6.88.

Clerk's Report: Motion by Moore, seconded by Bradley, paying bills from General Fund as presented, voucher #24571 through #24607.

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

Motion by Moore, seconded by Crambell, paying bills from Fire Fund as presented, voucher #8751 through #8770.

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

Accountability Statement: The treasurer balanced with the bank, and the clerk balanced with the treasurer.

Supervisor's Report: Mike Gaylord stated that the re-pavement of Shellway Drive and Pine Circle Drive are scheduled to be completed no later than October 1, 2020. Kankaska County will work with the township on payment schedule and cover 20% of the cost.

Fire Department Report: Bradley reviewed monthly report for May with a total of 20 incidents.

New Pumper Tanker: Motion by Gaylord, seconded by Morrison, to accept the Spencer bid in the amount of \$446,302.00.

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

Motion by Gaylord, seconded by Crambell, to accept financing from Alden State Bank with a rate of 2.125% for 9 years.

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

Motion by Gaylord, seconded by Crambell, to advertise present tanker for sale with the understanding that it will not be available until our new pumper/tanker is in service.

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

Sheriff's Department: Deputy Nate Deveneau reviewed monthly report, with notable activities of Reckless driver, and that the Torch Lake 4th of July Fireworks will occur. There is also the possibility of DJ coming to the Torch Lake Sandbar on July 4th. Sherriff Whitefield discussed issues with township, understanding residents aren't feeling safe in area. Whitefield discussed the annual report, training on new computer system, July 4th plans include DNR 2-boats, MSP1- boat, and same amount, if not more, officers on patrol. He appreciates all help from the township with port-a-johns, trash receptacles and Lake St. access site closure.

Zoning Administration Report: Adam Parzych reviewed several concerns with board.

Old Business

Division St. Access Site & Birch St Park Fence Repairs: Motion by Gaylord, seconded by Bradley, to allow \$1,500 for that repair for materials.

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

Clean-up Day Rescheduled for June 27, 2020: Saturday June 27; 7am to noon. Need proof that you live in township.

MTA Authorities & Responsibilities (Little Red Book): 2020 Version Available: Motion by Gaylord, seconded by Morrison, to authorize up to 10 books, at \$52 per book.

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

4th of July Preparations in Place: After discussion, all is in place.

Old Iron Bridge Lawsuit Mediation: Gaylord informed the board that potential dates for a mediation session for board members to attend in Traverse City are forthcoming.

New Business

Rapid River Twp Contract 2020-2021: Motion by Gaylord, seconded by Crambell, to approve the Clearwater Township Fire Department Agreement for Fire protection with Rapid River Twp.

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

Place Bid to Remove Outhouses at Freedom Parks: Motion by Gaylord, seconded by Moore, place bids on removal of permanent outhouse, ready by August meeting.

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

Renting of Twp Hall & Community Center: Due to COVID-19 restrictions the board will review monthly to determine when the buildings will be once again open to the public.

Outside Locked Mailbox for Clerk/Treasurer: Motion by Morrison, seconded by Bradley, to spend up to \$400 to purchase a locked mailbox.

Leo to install outside of the Twp Hall within the view of security camera.

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

Newsletter: Gaylord would like it to be mailed by end of July.

Public Comment: Audience commented on locked mailbox was a good idea.

Adjourned:

Motion by Gaylord to adjourn meeting, seconded by Crambell. All in favor. Motion passed, ending meeting at 8:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Marletta Day, Recording Secretary