

Clearwater Township Board

Kalkaska County, Michigan

5407 River Street, Rapid City, MI

Tom Backers-Supervisor, Melinda Booy-Clerk

JoAnn Childs-Treasurer,

Greg Bradley-Trustee, Albert Keyes-Trustee

Regular Meeting May 20, 2021

1. Call to order@ 7:05-Pledge of Allegiance 7:05\
2. Roll Call and recognition of visitors. All Board Members Present
Visitors
Tina Fields
Tom Tucker
Truman Bicum
Linda Bicum
Mike Connell
Jim Lefew
Dan Packer
Officer Deveneau
Jeff West
Carol Backers
Patty Kulbartz recording secretary
3. Public Comments: Old Business: Albert Keyes items still missing
4. Conflicts: None
5. Approval of Agenda
6. Approval of Minutes 04/15/21 to add Duty pay raise for FD, Deputies 2/hr. pay raise, Add/change Gianine's name.
7. Announcements
Tina Fields reappointed to Planning Commission
Motion by Tom Backer, 2nd Joann Childs: Motion carried unanimously, needs to be sworn in for another term, see Margaret or Melinda
Clean up day results: 11,000 hauled an additional 15 loads as well as what was moved by truck and trailer.
Correspondence: See attachments for correspondence.
8. Reports
Treasurer report read into minutes, TCF cashed and put into ASB 05/20/21

Clerks Report: Balanced and Tanker and Road both cashed,

OTHER REPORTS

Sheriff: Read report into record/minutes.

36.5 hours, KCSD has a new computer system more detailed reports. Discussion on reports sent on 04/16/21 and 04/20/21 to dispatch and there was no report to Deputy, and an email with plate number was sent. Deputy Deveneau will look into this. He also discussed process concerning campground.

Fire Chief: Read report. 10 current FD employees, need volunteers to man the station. No applications, need to run add in local paper. 57% of runs are ambulance based with ambulance arriving on scene first. Truck Status: move 19,100 from Fire Fund to equipment.

MOTION to move 19,100 from fire fund to equipment: A. Keyes, 2nd T. Backers. Unanimously approved.

Planning Commission: Read the report, property approval from Ag.to industry under review. Invited Tom Backers to Planning for June meeting. Need input from board on direction/goals long and short term. Virtual map 700.00 roughly. Budget request for final numbers: 3500. June 7th meeting put in paper. Tina is to check with Clerk on purchasing laptop.

Zoning: 10 complaints. Will follow up. Some things addressed with Clean Up, need to look at business in zoned residential areas. Working on chronic violators. Update land use permits.

Park/Rec: Need access to special use permits. Questioning permission for Park use, grants and fundraising events. Get with Planning on having food and alcohol by vendors. Community Calendar needs updating. At present contact Clerk's office for permit for Park or buildings. Trying to get bids for Old Iron Bridge. Will meet with grand writer for presentation tentatively at Park/Rec meeting 06/15 @6. New Welcome sign discussed, refurbishing old sign. Get with Durkie Heating and Cooling. Safety issues on river walk and railings discussed. Need to choose Porta John locations at lake access. Seeds Program helped with area beautification. Heritage Park and walking trail will be worked on. Master Plan meeting/public forum to get community input on what is wanted. Bids for Freedom Park boardwalk put in paper. Bids will be presented to board with Tom and Melinda being contacts. Needs must be addressed by maintenance for safety regarding rail and stairs East side by kids area. Consideration for memorial benches and bricks. Public Forum 08/03 @6 for planning for 2022. Publish in paper.

MOTION to accept bid on irrigation: T.Backers, Melinda Booy, G. Bradley, A. Keyes YES, JoAnn Childs Yes with clarification. Unanimous.

Old Business:

Marijuana forum advertise 2 weeks prior. 6/19 at Twp. Hall 12-4

Ballot language checked and meets criteria.

MOTION to approve language for Nov. Ballot. G.Bradley 2nd A. Keyes. Unanimous.

Iron Bridge: Engineering is going to have to build a road, discussion on possible locations for placement. Locate notarized copy. Entry handicap accessible. Tom Backers to meet with engineers, DNR, grant writer.

Digital Sign: A. Keyes will do more research, sign type and location and bids.

Security: Ongoing research on cameras, electronic entry security for buildings for Clearwater Twp. facilities. Greg Bradley and Tom Backers are contact.

Fee Schedules: Discussed licensing, permits, vendor agreements/payments, liability.

MOTION to approve fee schedule: T. Backers, 2nd Greg Bradley. Unanimous.

Campground: Shut it down or make it legal, verified it was being used, owner says being used illegally. There is a property dispute concerning ownership.

MOTION to obtain new information @ 6/17/21 to present to Twp. Attorney. A. Keyes, 2nd J. Childs. T. Backers/yes, G. Bradley/yes, A Keyes/yes, J. Childs/yes, M./Booy abstain.

Maintenance: Requesting schedules of equipment maintenance and property upkeep, amount, duration and frequency of duties. Information shared on existing maintenance contracts. Discussed creation of schedule and calendar for records of duties accomplished. A. Keyes located job description, need to have that signed.

Soundproofing Hall: Get with sound expert on Dockery Road. Possible use of fabrics/quilts to deaden echo.

Mission Statement: all board members to bring suggestions.

New Business

Heritage Park field maintenance.

Hoiles /Zimmerman: no money this year, get pricing, apply for grants re: Tip of Mitt, DNR.

Collaborate with VC/Kelli. Research "ditching" and drain commission.

Constable committee: See meeting minute. Cost benefit analysis.

Public Comment

Leo: Carol, "get over it".

1028 p.m. MOTION to adjourn T. Backers, 2nd G. Bradley. Unanimous