

Clearwater Township Board

Kalkaska County, Michigan

Tom Backers- Supervisor, Melinda Booy- Clerk

Joann Childs-Treasurer

Greg Bradley-Trustee, Albert Keye-Trustee

Regular meeting June 17, 2021

1. Call To Order/Pledge of Allegiance: 7:14 p.m.

2. Roll Call and Recognition of Visitors

Carol Backers

Ryan & Joy Williams

Jodi Magee

Ron O'Brien

Tom McNish

Truman, Linda & Paige Bicum

Becky Carlson

Lindy Bryson

Buzz Bryson

Norm Neuenschwander

Gianine Cassasa

Bill & Lucille Westerman

Deputy Deveneau

Anya & Christian Stoldt

Pam Lynch

Kristi Spencer-Nemec

Sheriff Whiteford

Linnea Brunk & Gary Brunk

Matt Levandoski: Virtual from Ottawa City, Holland Twp. MI

.Jordan Aker: Virtual from Leelanau County, Cherry Bend Twp.,MI

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

COA: Discussed renewing existing 6 year millage vote. 31% of the population is 60 years or older. Millage would assist with light housekeeping, plowing, groceries, transportation. There has been a 40% increase in meals, averaging 800 meals a day.

Matt Levandoski:/Rink Newhoff: Grant writing for:

Specialty Parks, Sewer, Water, Roads, Engineering. Works with the Township to cut costs, updates plans, ability to apply to DNR for \$8100, Start to finish a 5 year plan. Kelly with Park/Rec will help.

FREEDOM PARK: Immediate attention historic bridge.

Park Master Plan color rendering.

Develop long range: , driveway, restroom, picnic area, water view (in line with DNR)

April, 2022 Grant ready.

Also Grants for Zimmerman Road and Cemetery: Joanne Childs will be lead.

4. PUBLIC CONFLICT

None

5. Approval of Agenda: See revisions. Motion for approval of revised agenda. Motion: Greg Bradley, 2nd Albert Keyes. Unanimous.

6. Motion for approval of minutes from May regular meeting: Motion by Albert Keys, 2nd Tom Backers. Unanimous.

7. 4th of July: Discussed adding porta-potties, Jet Ski patrol to keep people off private property. 2 days at a cost of 700.00. At this time there are no scheduled fire works.

8. REPORTS

Treasurer: Read Reports

Clerk: did an election, renew school millage, ran absentee voter ballots for a successful election. Received State money without information on what it was for. Investigated and found it was from Right of Way and put in proper accounts. Bills paid.

9. OTHER REPORTS

Sheriff: Twp. report from Deputy Deveneau. Busy weekend, many traffic stops 2 resulting in arrests. Discussed shutting both side of Lake Street July 2-3-4, flagging and access, Torch Lake plans in place. Large waste receptacles instead of small ones. Work crews for Park and Rec on 07/12.

Fire Chief: 32 runs in May. Ambulance first on scene. Pricing for laptop is \$1050 and mobile unit 970.00.

Planning: Proposal by Andrew Riegel from Northern Embers Recovery for Drug Rehab facility. There will be a public forum **07/5/2021 @ 7** in the community center.

Checking into vendors/peddler's ordinance.

Alleyways and transfers: Discussed derelict car title transfers. Title transfer fromTwp. Offer 30.00. Need standard form letter.

Park/Rec: Kristi will work with grant writers. Request to approve Phase I @ \$1300. Requested to be able to dump wood chips near fire barn for easy access to crews. No lids on trash cans at access sites. What is schedule for bridge safety inspection and who handles it? Consider additions to parks for pickle ball and other activities. Public forum for community input

TENTATIVELY scheduled for 08/03 @ 6pm. We will update website. Research who tests hand pump wells in parks, how often and where are they sent?

Constable Committee: Cost and revenues approximately 60,000 to start up. How much can we recoup from fines and fees. Contact Jerry Cannon in Garfield Twp. If board approves put on ballot.

10. OLD BUSINESS

Fire Chief Appointment: 1 application Greg Bradley. J. Childs had questions about past issues. No conflict with being fire chief and on the Board. Motion to appoint Greg Bradley as fire chief. Tom Backers, 2nd Melinda Booy. T. Backers Y, Melinda Booy Y, Joanne Childs N, Gregg Bradley Abstain, Albert Keyes Y

Digital Sign: 2 quotes received. . Question if there was a “dimmer switch” to cut down on night glare. Motion for \$4370. Motioned by A. Keyes, 2nd J. Childs. Unanimous.

Keyless Entry for Twp. Buildings: quote for up to \$5000 for Twp. offices and Community Bldg. Motion by Melinda Booy, 2nd Tom Backers. Unanimous,

Virtual Mapping: Motion to approve for initiation of virtual GIS map up to \$1000. Shape files, work with planning commission. Motion by Albert Keys, 2nd Joann Childs. Unanimous.

Iron Bridge bid process: Approve Phase I and II of quoted bid 4900.,Spprove grant plant. Motion to approve: A. Keyes, 2nd Joann Childs. Begin I and II development, movement of bridge and master plan.

FD Computer: Laptop 1050m, mobile unit 970. Motion to approve by Tom Backer, 2nd Albert Keyes. Unanimous.

Motion for insecticide application at Heritage Park, \$1000 by Joann Childs, 2nd Albert Keyes. T. Backers Y, M. Booy N, Joann Childs Y, Greg Bradley Y, Albert Keyes Y. Motion passed.

Maintenance : Table until July meeting.

Mission Statement: Table until July meeting.

American Rescue Act: Get with Val Thornburg of Kalkaska for grant for 267,637.

Campground: Contact lawyer to move forward with Spink show cause motion. Motion by Tom Backers, 2nd Greg Bradley. J. Childs abstain. T. Backers Y, M. Booy Y, A. Keyes Y, G. Bradley Y. Motion passed.

Bid proposals Phase II for Handrailing on footbridge: Need basic design, appearance, safety concerns resolved.

NEW BUSINESS

Jetski: Motion for 700.00 for jet ski rental for Sheriff’s Dept. for July 3 and 4 or Torch Lake patrol and crowd control. Motion by T. Backer, 2nd Melinda Booy. Unanimous.

American Waste to increase size of trash receptacles.

Resolution 3 of 2021 Close Lake St. access both sides July 2-3-4 for welfare and safety of all residents, reserved for law enforcement, EMS.

Resolution 4 of 2021: Update signature line and date, Twp. exemption for taxes/poverty exemption. Supported by T. Backers and M. Booy. Unanimous. Resolution adopted 06/17/2021.

Land Auction: to buy property that is being sold by Kankaska County Treasurer for 850.00 that abuts property owned by Clearwater Twp. to make a viable buildable lot. We have right of first refusal. Motion A. Keyes, 2nd Joann Childs. Unanimous motion passed.

Motion to pay bill from Other Side Irrigation 310.00 for work done at Freedom Park. Motion T. Backer, 2nd M. Booy, unanimous.

Alleyways: 1400 to survey, lot and prprty lines needed for quit claim deed.

Autumn Clean up: Discussed putting information in with tax statements.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ryan Williams: Duplex apartment use on Torch Lake was clarified that it was not for public use but for use by The renters.

Cherry Capitol Cycle Club from Traverse City requested waiving the fee area @ Crystal Beach.

Motion J. Childs, 2nd T. Backers. Unanimous.

Kristi Spencer meeting in Community Bldg.

Next Meeting 07/15/2021 @ 7 pm