

**CLEON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
DATE JULY 13, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor, Dave Myers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.at the Cleon Township Hall.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL Board Members present: Dave Myers-Supervisor, Linda Cudney - Treasurer, Gary Porter-Trustee, Abraham Canfield-Trustee, Amy Herrst-Clerk

GUESTS and /or VISITORS: Robert Edgington, Earl Witkop, Travis Saunders, Tyler Dula, Bill Mathis, Donna Humphrey.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Earl Whitkop: What would it entail to get the Fire chief to make public inspections? Mark responded with a summary of 1st an ordinance would need to be created, 2nd determine who enforces the codes, 3rd find a funding source (example, close to \$1000 a day) Or State inspections is also another option but not typically available.

Donna Humphrey: Presented the new general store (open to public, year-round) plans for Twisted Trails and the expansion of the campground and facilities.

Tyler Dula: Conservation District covered what the district supplies for the county and brought info on the workshops and public events. **July 20 Nitrate Water Testing, July 23 Scrap Tire Event, Aug 20 HHW, Aug 26 Revitalize Arboretum Trail in Wellston 10-1PM.** The Conservation District is also asking for support on the milage renewal and increase on the Aug primary ballot.

SET / AMEND THE AGENDA: Amend the agenda by adding quarterly P&Ls under new business. Motion by Gary Porter, seconded by Abe Canfield to Set/Amend the Agenda. AIF

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

June 8, 2022 board meeting minutes by Linda Cudney, seconded by Abe Canfield, to accept the meeting minutes. AIF

July 13, 2022 election commission meeting minutes by Gary Porter, seconded by Abe Canfield, to accept the meeting minutes. AIF

TREASURERS REPORT:

We received personal property tax money from state. We also received the revenue sharing dividend in amount of \$15,195. Finally, we received the last portion of the ARPA money in amount of \$39,985.80.

Motion by Gary Porter, seconded by Abe Canfield to approve treasurer's report. AIF

BUDGET AMENDMENT/PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Budget Amendment: Fire needs to take \$1500 from line 206-339-728 and move to 336-929. **Motion by Amy Herrst, seconded by Gary Porter** to accept the budget amendments. **Roll Call Vote** 5 Aye's 0 Nay's.

Payment of bills: **Motion by Gary Porter, seconded by Abe Canfield** to accept the Payment of bills **AIF**.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

A. TRUSTEES

Gary Porter:

Abe Canfield:

B. TREASURER: Lambda Energy will be renting the hall on July 19, Aug 16, Sept 20 11-3PM. Mileage reimbursement was increased by IRS to 62.5/mile as of July 1st. USDA raised the interest rate to 3.25% it was at 2.5%. Paul Olsen sent the insurance policy documents with a 5% increase from last year. Linda would like to ask board for motion to use the hall for Copemish Heritage Days 5K on Aug 7th. **Motion by Amy Herrst, seconded by Gary Porter** to allow use of the hall. The Sheriff and Fire Chief will be in attendance for support.

C. CLERK: Elections are in full swing. All AV apps have gone out. Our election chair and inspectors are as follows: Chair: Michelle Tinoco (Democrat), Sheryl Briggs (Republican), Jerika Currie (Democrat), Pam Garn (Republican), Julia Vice (Republican), Amy Herrst (Democrat). The PAT Test will be on July 20th at 11am. Clerk and Election Chair will perform the PAT test.

D. SUPERVISOR: No water calls at cemetery, after investigation it was realized that people were using the old spigots. The flag at the Cleon Cemetery needs replacing.

E. ZONING: 2 permits issued.

F: PLANNING: Marijuana Ordinance from attorney with edits were approved and adopted and now will be sent back for final approval. We have not heard from County Planning as of yet.

G: FIRE DEPARTMENT: *See report attached*

Fire Dept is volunteering time at the DK 5K for Veteran Awareness at Twisted Trails on Aug 13 from 11-3PM. Mark has also been tirelessly campaigning for the ARPA fund request with the county. He hand delivered the informational handouts for review prior to our interview with the county commissioners on July 15th at 3:45PM.

H: MRCM: Grading, brining, mowing, pothole patching and tree removals all happening. Cleon was graded today July 13th. Round about started on 131 at Casino. Our area will receive so surface road work in 2023. The board also all received the MCRC Call for Year 2023 Capitol Improvement Projects. Potential match money available to help some of our roads.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 1. Board Member Action Plan Items:** all action plan items completed.
- 2. Cannabis Ordinance Review:** No new updates. Planning commission is still finalizing the ordinances.
- 3. Township Hall Plans:** Mark Griner has been tirelessly campaigning for the ARPA fund request with the county. He personally delivered the informational handouts for review prior to our interview with the county commissioners on July 15th at 3:45PM.

Dave, Linda, and Amy will join him at the interview to present our request for funding. Aug 16th is cutoff for November election if milage doesn't pass in Aug.

4. **Cemetery Fence:** The investigation is now closing as we have identified the person responsible for the accident. He will pay the township \$500 and write a letter of apology. No charges will be perused otherwise.
5. **Cemetery Improvements:** Dave will pursue an invoice from Jared Milarch on adding a water spigot on the west side near mausoleum.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Payoff of the USDA Loan:** Our payoff is \$24328.23. We currently have \$3,400 in the debt fund and we will need to transfer \$21,000 from general to the debt fund to pay off. This will be done by a PAD on July 14th. This will complete the loan almost 15 yr ahead of schedule. **Motion by Gary Porter, seconded by Abe Canfield** to accept the transfer of funds to pay off the USDA loan. **Roll Call Vote 5 Aye's 0 Nay's.**
2. **New Shredder Machine:** Our current machine is no longer functioning. We need to purchase a new one. **Motion by Abe Canfield, seconded by Gary Porter** to accept the purchase up to \$500 a new shredder machine. **Roll Call Vote 5 Aye's 0 Nay's.**
3. **Quarterly P&L's:** presented all company budget reports. **Motion by Gary Porter, seconded by Abe Canfield** to approve quarterly P&L's. AIF

CORRESPONDENCE:

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Fire Dept got some great finds while helping clean out a building.

ADJOURNMENT: **Motion by Gary Porter, seconded by Abe Canfield AIF**

TIME: 8:09 PM

Next Board Meeting scheduled for August 10th, 2022 at 7 PM
Minutes taken by Amy Herrst -Cleon Township Clerk

BOARD MEMBER ACTION PLAN:

Dave: Will go the County Meeting on July 15th
Will contact Jared Milarch about the extended spigot invoice.
Will replace the flag at Cleon cemetery.

Amy: Will go the County Meeting on July 15th
Will submit the election security grant info.
Will Contact Bill Humphrey and also research shredders.

Linda: Will go the County Meeting on July 15
Will facilitate the pay off of the USDA Loan.