

**CLEON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
DATE JUNE 14, 2023**

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, Amy Herrst-Clerk, Abraham Canfield-Trustee

GUESTS and /or VISITORS: Evelyn Hawkins

PUBLIC COMMENT:

SET / AMEND THE AGENDA: Add Read Rd Camper Village update to unfinished business; Add approval of minutes from May 23 special meeting. With additions a Motion by Linda Cudney, **seconded** by Abe Canfield to Set/Amend the Agenda. AIF

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

May 10, 2023 Board meeting minutes **by** Linda Cudney, **seconded** by Gary Porter to accept the meeting minutes. **AIF**

June 6, 2023 Special meeting minutes **by** Gary Porter, **seconded** by Amy Herrst to accept the meeting minutes. **AIF**

May 23, 2023 Special meeting minutes **by** Abe Canfield, **seconded** by Linda Cudney to accept the meeting minutes. **AIF**

TREASURERS REPORT: *See attached*

Motion by Amy Herrst, **seconded** by Gary Porter to approve treasurer's report. AIF

BUDGET AMENDMENT/PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Motion by Gary Porter, **seconded** by Abe Canfield to accept Payment of Bills. AIF

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

A. TRUSTEES

Gary Porter: Bear accident on M-115 near Copemish on June 8th. Small car hit a huge 500+lb bear. DNR responded to the case.

Abe Canfield:

B. TREASURER: Feed America Food Truck this time served 357 households; 873 people in those households, 219 children, 281 senior citizens and 51 veterans. Next truck is set to come on Sept 15. We received a dividend from the par plan in the amount of \$189.66. Produce BINGO and Project Fresh coming to Copemish on June 23 Bingo @

11am and Coupons @ 12:30pm. Active Shooter training with the Manistee Sheriff is being planned still to another potential date. Nicolet Bank sent us an assessment of our CD's and ways we can save more money with better interest. **Motion by Amy Herrst, seconded by Gary Porter** to allow Linda to change the CDs to a better interest rate with Nicolet Bank if applicable. AIF

Linda will be starting the newsletter at the end of the month if anyone has anything to add.

C. CLERK: Cherryland offered no discount to the cemetery hook-up and would charge more if we disconnect and reconnect. No action will take place.

D. SUPERVISOR: Flag Pole light new in cemetery. Need confirmation it is working. Legion Fish Fry on July 14.

E. ZONING: 7 new permits

F: PLANNING: Talked with Dale about his paperwork, he will complete by next month. Marijuana ordinance is being resent to the lawyer because they lost it. Not happy with lack in response time. Todd will follow up and try to make an appointment if necessary.

G: MRCM: See attached report

Viaduct Rd has been greatly improved. Bridge in Manistee will begin construction on July 10. Per commissioner Nikki Koons, she has met with Consumers and learned that they will keep all of their dam properties. Mark Sohlden, MCRM supervisor, will be retiring soon and they will be looking for a replacement and also an Engineer Tech position. Elmers was bought out by Reith Riely. Capital improvement projects packets were given to the board. We do not foresee any projects at this time for 2024.

H: FIRE DEPARTMENT:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 1. Board Member Action Plan Items:** all action plan items completed or in process of completion.
- 2. Cannabis Ordinance Review:** No new updates, still awaiting from attorney.
- 3. Read Rd situation:** Per Evelyn Hawkins, new pallet structure is being built. More campers are coming in with more vehicles. Still no sign of a well or running water to dispose of waste. They did bring two loads of junk to clean-up day. Dave will follow-up with the Health Dept, Barb our ZA and the State Police.
- 4. Township Hall Plans:** We received the loan for \$650,000 and a grant for \$385,000 from USDA. They are awaiting some paperwork from the architect. Next meeting June 27 6pm.
- 5. Township Park Project:** MR Products may be interested in our old building with a possible property swap if it peruses. New person on board with EGLE, they require a \$500 permit to have the initial consultation. Minger Grant from to help with seed money may be an option.
- 6. Clean-up Dat Stats:** We serviced 65 loads; 6 from village, 1 "2nd load", 89 tires with 1 semi tire, 2 freezers and \$50 donation. In total our cost to the township was \$4419.33. Thanks to all who helped and made it possible.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Betsie Valley District Library Board:** Anne Kaminski will be leaving the area and has sent a letter of resignation to the board. She would like to recommend Pat Fisher to fill her vacancy. **Motion by** Linda Cudney, **seconded by** Abe Canfield to accept the letter of resignation. AIF We would like to thank Anne for all her years of service. **Motion by** Gary Porter, **seconded by** Abe Canfield to accept Pat Fischer as the new appointment to the Betsie Valley District library Board. AIF
2. **Wolverine Electric:** We received a packet of information with a check for \$500 permit fee asking for a resolution to allow them right of way to the power lines in our township. Dave will send it on to the lawyer and ask on advice of how we should proceed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

See Attached

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Evelyn had a positive comment about Twisted Trails and how well they have signage posted pertaining to the 11pm noise ordinance.

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

TIME: 8:03 PM

Special Meeting scheduled for June 27th, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Next Board Meeting scheduled for July 12th, 2023 at 7 PM

Minutes taken by Amy Herrst -Cleon Township Clerk

BOARD MEMBER ACTION PLAN:

Dave: Will contact Jared Milarch about a signing the cemetery mowing contract.
Will follow up with the public service departments pertaining to Read Rd situation.
Will contact the attorney about the Wolverine Power proposal.

Amy: Will investigate the township paying Isaac Pfister as maintenance officer.
Will send a thank you from the board to Anne Kaminski.
Will send email correspondence to Pat Fisher.

Linda: Will continue to set up the Active Shooter Training class with the Sheriff.