

MINUTES OF THE CLAY TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD JUNE 20, 2005 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE CLAY TOWNSHIP MEETING HALL, 4710 POINTE TREMBLE ROAD, CLAY TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN 48001.

PRESENT: Supervisor Jon Manos, Clerk Michael Pellerito, Treasurer Connie Turner, Trustee Patricia Sharrow, Trustee John Makuch, Trustee Jay DeBoyer, Trustee David Dare.

ABSENT: None

CITIZENS PRESENT: Approximately 10

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

MOTION by Sharrow, supported by Makuch, to add #1. under Old Business, Amend the 2004/2005 budget.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF CLAY TOWNSHIP JUNE 6, 2005 SOIL REMOVAL PERMIT PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES, GENAW ROAD SPECIAL ASSESSMENT PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES, REGULAR BOARD MINUTES & SYNOPSIS:

MOTION by Turner, supported by Makuch, to approve the Soil Removal Permit Public Hearing, Genaw Road Special Assessment Public Hearing and the Regular Board Meeting and Synopsis minutes.

Sharrow: Page 4, #16; should say Public Hearing to hear comments on the 2005-2006 budget.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF BILLS PAYABLE:

MOTION by Turner, supported by DeBoyer, to pay the bills in the amount of \$101,357.76.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: Sharrow, Makuch, Turner, Pellerito, DeBoyer, Dare, Manos

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

PETITIONS:

None

COMMUNICATIONS:

Thank you to Chief Edler from Tom Emerick.

Thank you to officers that responded to 911 call, Melonie Emerson.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Amend the 2004/2005 budget.

MOTION by Sharrow, supported by Makuch, to bring \$1,025.00 out of D.A.R.E. fund balance to revenues, #203.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: Makuch, Turner, Pellerito, DeBoyer, Dare, Sharrow, Manos

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Sharrow, supported by Pellerito, to bring \$55,000.00 from Perpetual Care fund balance to cover the deficit in Cemetery fund, #209.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: Turner, Pellerito, DeBoyer, Dare, Sharrow, Makuch, Manos

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

Turner: Harsens Island Fire, would need to add fund balance to the revenue.

MOTION by Pellerito, supported by Sharrow, to move \$10,000.00 out of fund balance to cover expenses; #211.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: Pellerito, DeBoyer, Dare, Sharrow, Makuch, Turner, Manos

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

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MOTION by Sharrow, supported by Pellerito, to bring \$5,400.00 out of Drug Enforcement fund balance to revenue; #204.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: DeBoyer, Dare, Sharrow, Makuch, Turner, Pellerito, Manos

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

Sharrow: What revenues in General fund do you expect Connie?

Turner: Will have revenue sharing come in and County and others.

Sharrow: DRC, if something should happen close to the 30th of June, notify the Supervisor and call a special.

Pellerito: General; didn't move any fund balance over, got all the money there, won't run short.

Turner: Don't move any fund balance until needed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Charles Beer and Stephen Saph, Nickel & Saph: Comments on insurance proposal.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approval of 2005/2006 budget

2. Resolutions of Elected Officials

Manos: Elected officials salaries resolutions somewhat different than the budget; pass resolutions first and then amend the budget.

MOTION by Pellerito, supported by Makuch, to approve the resolution to set the Supervisor's salary at \$40,000.00 for the 2005/2006 budget.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: Dare, Sharrow, Makuch, Turner, Pellerito, DeBoyer, Manos

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Makuch, supported by Dare, to approve the resolution to set the Treasurer's salary at \$50,960.00 for the 2005/2006 budget.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: Makuch, Turner, Pellerito, DeBoyer, Dare

NAYES: Sharrow, Manos

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Makuch, supported by DeBoyer to approve the resolution to set the Clerk's salary at \$53,040.00 for the 2005/2006 budget.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: Makuch, Turner, Pellerito, DeBoyer, Dare

NAYES: Sharrow, Manos

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Makuch, supported by Dare, to approve the resolution to set the Trustee's salary at \$1,800.00, with \$50.00 for any extra meetings not on a regular meeting night for the 2005/2006 budget.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: Turner, Pellerito, DeBoyer, Dare, Sharrow, Makuch, Manos.

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Turner, supported by Makuch, to approve the 2005/2006 budget of \$9,076,907.32. adding \$4,000.00 to General taking it to \$1,429,889.00 and DDA changing to \$581,000.00 for a total \$9,076,907.32.

Sharrow: Approving a budget that has \$4,000.00 more in expenses than revenue, need to change.

Turner: Just add to fund balance, already have fund balance in revenue.

Sharrow: Didn't plan on using fund balance.

Turner: Take out of one line item and add to another, revenue stays the same.

Sharrow: Motion to increase General Fund by \$4,000.00 doesn't have to happen.

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New motion:

MOTION by Turner, supported by Pellerito, to approve the 2005/2006 budget as follows:

General Fund	\$1,425,889.00
Colony Road Assessment	124,563.00
South Channel Lights	650,000.00
Drug Enforcement	25,450.00
Mainland Fire Department	413,663.00
Clay Twp Police Department	1,891,048.00
Downriver Recreation	142,135.00
Oaklawn Cemetery	81,735.00
Russell Island Fire	5,194.00
Harsens Island Fire Dept.	199,090.00
Garbage Fund	500,745.00
Downtown Development Authority	581,000.00
Sewer Fund	602,885.00
Water Fund	2,282,329.00
Employee Health Care	110,000.00
Road Maintenance	35,922.32
Special Lighting	1,259.00
TOTAL	\$9,072,907.32

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: Pellerito, DeBoyer, Dare, Sharrow, Makuch, Turner, Manos.

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

3. Resolution of Deputy Stipends & pay

Manos: Resolution to reiterate what was done over the past year, some question as to the old system, which was a flat amount that was paid to each, \$2,575.56 which took care of all of the Deputies pay for assuming Clerk or Treasurer's duties when they are not there. Think this is a better system, Deputies do not do what elected officials do.

MOTION by Turner, supported by Sharrow, to adopt the old resolution, going back to the yearly stipend of \$2,575.00 to be paid quarterly over the fiscal year.

Pellerito: Main difference, deputies have full statutory authority, the only thing they can't do is vote so in the absence of the Clerk or Treasurer we have those deputies to fulfill our responsibilities. If I die or Connie is gone the deputy would step in and do 100% of our duties until such time they are replaced by the election process.

Manos: Don't normally assume all responsibilities of the job; your knowledge is greater than their knowledge.

Sharrow: When the Treasurer or Clerk goes away they usually have everything done.

Pellerito: One of the differences between the Clerk's office and the Treasurer's office is the election process, in my absence the person who steps in will certainly be earning their keep.

Manos: Think should go with set amount.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: DeBoyer, Dare, Sharrow, Makuch, Turner, Pellerito, Manos

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

4. Harsens Island Fire Department Proposed Payment Schedule

MOTION by DeBoyer, supported by Sharrow, to approve proposed payment schedule for Harsens Island Fire Department.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

5. Water Tank Inspection Request

MOTION by Pellerito, supported by Makuch, to enter into a contract with Dixon Engineering in the amount of \$1,760.00 to inspect the water storage tank on Ainsworth.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: Dare, Sharrow, Makuch, Turner, Pellerito, DeBoyer, Manos

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

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6. Lot Split 05-06, Leonard & Arlene Kasperowicz, Stone Road

MOTION by Sharrow, supported by Makuch, to approve lot split 05-06, Leonard & Arlene Kasperowicz.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: Sharrow, Makuch, Turner, Pellerito, DeBoyer, Dare, Manos

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

7. May 2005 reports:

MOTION by Turner, Supported by Dare, to receive and file the May 2005 reports for Assessing, Building, DRC, ML Fire, Planning & Zoning, Police & Water Departments.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

8. MMRMA Coverage Overview

Sharrow: Does our insurance expire July 1st?

Pellerito: No would continue covered until such time we terminate.

Sharrow: Haven't had time to compare.

Manos: Need to look at all avenues and get good coverage.

MOTION by Dare, supported by Sharrow, to postpone this decision until the next meeting when we have had a chance to compare the figures.

Sharrow: Tower on Nichol & Saph, assume Colony Tower, "actual cash value", not replacement cost, how do you determine a cash value of a historical monument?

Pellerito: Quotes not really apples to apples, lot of little differences. Didn't instruct MMRMA to do anything special.

Sharrow: Concerned about Law Enforcement liability reducing of the five million, hope never have a problem but sometimes does happen. MMRMA gave \$4,500.00 Grant to our Police; don't know if private companies do that.

Pellerito: Questioned County Commissioner re County insured with MMRMA. Response – yes.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

9. Dangerous Building Commission Appointment

Manos: Have received Terrien resignation because of health.

MOTION by Turner, supported by Dare, to accept Milton Terrien's retirement from the Dangerous Building Commission.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Turner, supported by Makuch, to appoint David Salvador to the Dangerous Building Commission to replace Mr. Terrien.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

10. Server Upgrade Estimate

Sharrow: This will come out of the 04/05 budget?

Turner: Yes. Would like to stay with Network Connections.

MOTION by Turner, supported by Sharrow, to go with Network Connections in the amount of \$27,430.00.

Pellerito: Included some comparisons, can buy PCs from Dell for less. Don't have total price from Network Connections, need printers, bursters, conversion of data from Port Huron, don't want Board to think will have a turnkey system up and running.

Sharrow: Time frame for printers and replacing software?

Pellerito: Total price for software?

Turner: Thirty some thousand.

Pellerito: On top of \$27,000.00, still printers, a burster.

Turner: Around \$1,100.00 for a high-speed printer.

Sharrow: Any idea from Port Huron what their cost is?

Turner: No

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Pellerito: Assessing & Building are our primary problems right now, six Dell computers would take care of this immediately.

Manos: This dollar amount comes out of this budget; we've allocated funds in the next budget to continue.

Dare: Would like to abstain from voting because of having a conflict of interest.

AYES: Sharrow, Makuch, Turner, Manos

NAYES: Pellerito, DeBoyer

MOTION CARRIED

11. Resolution to Set 2005/2006 Board Meeting Dates

MOTION by Pellerito, supported by Makuch, to approve the resolution to set the Board Meeting dates for the 2005/2006 year.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: Dare, Sharrow, Makuch, Turner, Pellerito, DeBoyer, Manos

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

12. H.I. Fire Department 2005-2007 Officers

MOTION by Makuch, supported by Turner, to accept the recommendations of Daryl DuPage for the 2005-2007 Officers.

Sharrow: Does each officer have the required qualifications?

Makuch: Yes

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

13. Resolution proclaiming July as Recreation & Parks month

MOTION by Pellerito, supported by Dare, to approve the resolution proclaiming July as Recreation & Parks month.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: Sharrow, Makuch, Turner, Pellerito, DeBoyer, Dare, Manos

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

14. Greater Algonac Chamber of Commerce Membership Dues

MOTION by Pellerito, supported by Dare, to pay the Greater Algonac Chamber of Commerce Membership Dues in the amount of \$150.00.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Pam Wall, St. Clair County Commissioner: Comments on the Emergency Communication System. Think should have Mr. Groden and Mr. Friedland come to speak. Commissioners voted to approve the 31-cent surcharge.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by Makuch, supported by DeBoyer, to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 p.m.

Michael P. Pellerito
Clay Township Clerk