

Minutes of the Clay Township Regular meeting held on Monday, September 6, 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 seven.

APPROVAL OF BILLS PAYABLE:

Motion by Turner, supported by Dare, to pay the bills in the amount of \$41,781.32.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Norman Rhodes, 3206 South Channel Dr., Harsens Island: Presented document to Board.

Comments on Attorney McNamee and FOIA officer actions.

Richard Baker, 9212 Stone Rd: Complimented and thanked Police Department on their assistance in finding his dog. Comments on Township Park.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Sharrow, supported by Makuch, to approve the Consent Agenda with corrections to the minutes for the Boydell Road Public Hearing, adding: Sharrow: Any written comments?; Pellerito: No. Correction to the Regular Minutes, 2nd page, #2, misspelled work; grantee should be guarantee.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Resolution to approve Boydell Road Improvement Roll

Motion by Pellerito, supported by Turner, to approve the resolution for Boydell Road Roll.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Water Department request to send two to DEQ class

Motion by Pellerito, supported by Makuch, to approve sending two Water Department associates to DEQ class at a cost of \$50 per associate.

Motion amended by Pellerito, supported by Makuch, to approve sending two Water Department associates to DEQ class and the use of the Township car and lunch.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

2. Ainsworth Booster Station repair

Motion by Pellerito, supported by Dare, to approve \$3,566.20 to repair the Ainsworth Booster Station.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

3. Water Department request to purchase vehicle

Motion by Pellerito, supported by DeBoyer, to approve the purchase of a 2006 GMC ½ Ton Regular Cab 2WD pickup from Red Holman for \$13,847.00 for the Clay Township Water Department.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

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4. Amend Cemetery Budget

Turner: This amendment will make the Cemetery Budget match the Water Budget.

Motion by Sharrow, supported by Turner, to amend the Cemetery Budget; under Expenses, the Sexton Salary from \$10,200 to \$9,900, a difference of \$300; Fringe Benefit from \$5,900 to \$5,400, a difference of \$500; Property Maintenance from \$15,000 to \$14,500, a difference of \$500. Under Revenues, the Mausoleum Fee from \$49,675 to \$48,395, a difference of \$1,300.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

5. Amend Harsens Island Fire Department Budget

Motion by Makuch, supported by Dare, to postpone this amendment until the quarterly report is received.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

6. Lenoco Technologies Proposal to repair Voice Mail

Pellerito: This is to repair the system and buy a few more years, it will then be obsolete.

Motion by Sharrow, supported by Makuch, to approve the Lenoco Technologies proposal for \$1,250 to repair the Voice Mail system.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

7. Co-op Optical Contract

Pellerito: We are one of the owners of Co-op and paying \$11.95 per associate for 5 years. New contract for same as current program is \$14.90 and \$15.40 for nationwide program.

Motion by Pellerito, supported by DeBoyer, to stay with the current program with a cost of \$14.90 per associate per month.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

8. Assessor request for MAA Conference

Motion by Sharrow, supported by Turner, to approve the Assessor attending the MAA Conference for \$150.00, the room for 3 nights for \$248.85 for a total of \$398.85, plus transportation.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

9. FEMA discussion

Manos: Details on FEMA intentions; would like a public meeting in three weeks to distribute information and petitions.

Sharrow: Any action south of Detroit?

Manos: Haven't heard of any; did happen in Macomb County.

10. FEMA Resolution

Motion by Pellerito, supported by Sharrow, to approve the resolution requesting support to block FEMA from placing unjust burdens on the water area property owners.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

11. BS&A Cost Comparison, Tax Software, Folder/Stuffer & Printer Quotes, Sample Tax Bill

Turner: The total price for the BS&A Software, Data conversion, training, exporting of files, upgrading equipment, a printer, folder-stuffer and the yearly support comes to \$109,790.00.

Have already paid the \$27,430.00 for the upgrade and the \$6,700.00 for support wouldn't be paid until next fiscal year, leaving a total of \$75,660.00, divided into two years would be \$37,830.00.

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We have budgeted \$30,000.00 for equipment. BS&A inadvertently left out the Tax software, which is \$5,690. I ask that the Board approve the Tax software, then its up to the Board if they want to go with a new printer and folder/stuffer.

Sharrow: There is \$39,000 per year to the county we will not be spending within a year, and you do not anticipate having to hire more help in the office, so in about three years it will pay for itself. Is that correct?

Turner: Yes. The training is for 20 days and we may not need 20 days then it would be less than the \$18,000.00.

Makuch: So your asking for \$5,690 for the Tax software and a printer and a folder-stuffer, what is the total you are asking for?

Turner: Depends on which printer and folder-stuffer you go with.

Manos: It's inevitable whether we buy it now or in bits and pieces.

DeBoyer: There is a Minimailer 2 and a Minimailer 4, is the difference just capacity?

Turner: Believe so, also can do more than one job at a time.

Sharrow: Probably should look at the Minimailer 4 because by the time we get it within three years it will probably be out dated and will come up with something better, that's the way computers are going.

Motion by Turner, supported by DeBoyer, that we approve up to \$75,660,00 that would include the Tax software, the printer, the folder-stuffer, the conversion, the training and all of the software.

Manos: The motion is to approve up to that amount if we find there is something that can be purchased for less then we can go down.

Makuch: Is that for one year or is the \$75,000 over two?

Turner: Two. The printer and the folder can't be spread over two years.

Pellerito: I think it would be in the Township's interest to make a motion to purchase specific printers for certain amounts from certain companies so the minutes reflect those purchases.

Motion amended by Turner, supported by DeBoyer, to purchase the BS&A Tax software for \$5,690.00, the folder-stuffer for \$7,555.00, a Minimail 4 Plus GSA, 2 feed stations from Automated Business Equipment, the printer for \$8,000.00, Hewlett Packard from Network Connections.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Manos: While we were under FEMA I wanted the Board to call a meeting, not a formal Board meeting, merely a hearing for the public to attend to give them as many facts as we can and we have petition that will be available. Would like to hold the meeting on Monday, September 26th at 7:00 P.M. here at the Hall. Would like a motion from the Board.

Sharrow: Feel that if it attracts quite a bit of attention that the facilities will be large enough? Possibility of holding it at the school and asking them to video it.

Manos: Let's set the date and if it looks like it's needed we can contact the school.

Motion by Makuch, supported by DeBoyer, to set a public hearing on FEMA on Monday, September 26th at 7:00 P.M.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

Joanne Shirkey, 3300 Green Drive, Harsens Island: I missed public comments, may I address the Board?

Manos: Sure

Shirkey: Want to thank the Board for completion of 7E Water District on the Island. Thanks to Michael, Pat, Connie and Barbara for this. Want to compliment the Clay Township Water Department, they are an exceptional crew.

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Pellerito: Met with Goodell-Grivas and 5 members from MDOT and it was determined we will get a traffic signal at Ainsworth and M-29. At this point that will be an activated signal at the Fire Hall and EMS. Thursday sending a representative to do a time delay count, (how long it takes to make a turn) they last did it on January 4th, MDOT feel that if we can bring up the time delay

count we have a good chance of getting an actuated light there. They will be there Thursday from 6:00 A.M. to 8:30 A.M. and again from 2:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.

Sharrow: Will the DDA pay for it?

Pellerito: That's what we have been told but there hasn't been a motion on it yet.

Sharrow: State of Michigan will not pay for it.

Pellerito: There will be a cost sharing.

Manos: Will be a new style light.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Makuch, supported by DeBoyer, to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 P.M.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

Michael P. Pellerito
Clay Township Clerk