

Minutes of the Clay Township Regular Board Meeting Held on Monday, December 19, 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 David Dare.

ABSENT: Trustee Jay DeBoyer

Citizens Present: Seven

BILLS PAYABLE:

Motion by Turner, supported by Makuch, to pay the bills in the amount of \$168,226.15.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: DeBoyer

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Nelson Templeton, 2590 South Channel Dr: Agenda #9, Farmland and Open Space Preservation, like Board to consider approving.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Makuch, supported by Turner, to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted with Holiday Hours notice read.

Turner: Like to have Algonac Community Center and Algonac/Clay Library report discussed.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

Turner: Algonac Community Center and Algonac/Clay Library donation, need direction on the \$7,500, was a one-time thing with consideration for next budget, pay the amount designated? Library shows \$15,000 contribution, contributed \$17,500 last year.

Pellerito: Weren't asked to do anything about the \$7,500, that should come back as new business, this is just communications. Have you had any communication about a contribution?

Turner: No.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Recycling Winter Hours

Pellerito: Did establish this two meetings ago, feel in Township's best interest to reduce the hours to Saturday only, Sunday traffic minimal and have longer hours in the summer. Requesting permission to repost the winter hours as Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. until April 2006.

Motion by Makuch, supported by Dare, to set the recycling winter hours as Saturday only, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. December 1, 2005 through April 14, 2006.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

2. File Maintenance

Pellerito: Has been before the Board before, we were opposing the authority of the Director of SECED, Greg Hill. Talked to Commissioner Wall and Boehm, St. Clair County Board of Commissioners passed a resolution to charge forty-five cents per parcel up to a maximum of \$2,000, officially adopted by our County Commissioners.

Manos: This is down from \$3,500, can keep track and compare with other Townships.

Motion by Makuch, supported by Sharrow, to approve \$2,000 per year for File Maintenance.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

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NEW BUSINESS:

1. Clean Water Action Request

Motion by Pellerito, supported by Makuch, to allow the Clean Water Action Committee to conduct canvass in Clay Township between December 12, 2005 and March 12, 2006.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

2. Girl Scouts-Michigan Waterways Council Cookie Sale

Motion by Pellerito, supported by Turner, to allow the Girl Scouts cookie sale in Clay Township January 14, 2006 through February 2, 2006.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

3. Harsens Island Fire Department Request for Base Station repairs

Motion by Makuch, supported by Sharrow, to postpone this request until the first meeting in January.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

4. Harsens Island Fire Department Request for 6 Minitor V Pagers, cradle and software

Motion by Makuch, supported by Dare, to postpone this request until the first meeting in January.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

5. Downtown Development Authority and Downriver Recreation Board appointments

Manos: DDA; Karla Orlando has indicated she does not desire a reappointment, Pauline Dueweke desires reappointment to the DDA.

Motion by Pellerito, supported by Sharrow, to appoint Pauline Dueweke to the DDA Board for a four-year term.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Pellerito, supported by Turner, to appoint Michelle Hartmeyer to the Downriver Recreation Board for a three-year term with a letter of appreciation to Sandra Malik from the Supervisor for her service.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

6. Plante & Moran letter regarding accident, death & disability policies

Pellerito: Regarding the program for insurance for volunteer Police and Fire employees, Plante & Moran determined it costs more in premiums than if we self insured. Spoke with both Fire Chiefs asked if they were opposed to doing away with this, dollars will be allocated back to the budget and used for operation and/or payroll. Request permission to discontinue life insurance on the various volunteer boards and commission, this does not affect full time or union employees.

Motion by Turner, supported by Makuch, to discontinue life insurance on volunteer boards.

Sharrow: Are we self-insured?

Pellerito: No

AYES: All

NAYES: None

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7. Downriver Recreation Commission request for third installment of annual contribution
Motion by Turner, supported by Dare, to pay the third installment to Downriver Recreation Commission.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

8. Michigan Recreation and Park Association Community Service Award Program
Pellerito: Diann Pellerito has received the MRPA Service Award to be presented in Lansing on January 12, 2006. Two things, a request to allow any Board Member who wishes to go to the presentation and an ad in the MRPA magazine, cost of \$50.00.

Motion by Makuch, supported by Sharrow, to approve any Board member to go to Lansing for presentation and to place a congratulations ad in the MRPA magazine at a cost of \$50.00, with their own transportation and a \$20.00 ticket.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

9. Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program

Motion by Sharrow, supported by Turner, to postpone until St. Clair County Planning Commission and Soil Conservation comments are received before making a decision.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

10. Lot Split 05-08 – Vacant Manavel Court

Motion by Makuch, supported by Sharrow, to approve lot split 05-08, vacant Manavel Court.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: DeBoyer

MOTION CARRIED

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Pellerito: The Watershed signs we were purchasing for \$650; Phillips signs can do them cheaper.

Sharrow: Merry Christmas and Happy New to everyone in the community.

Norman Rhodes request to speak: Need Public Comments at the end of agenda.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Makuch, supported by Dare, to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

Michael P. Pellerito
Clay Township Clerk