

## Approved Minutes

### **Minutes of the Clay Township Regular Board Meeting held on Monday, March 20, 2006 in the Clay Township Meeting Hall, 4710 Pointe Tremble Road, Clay Township, Michigan.**

#### **ROLL CALL**

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

ABSENT: Supervisor Jon Manos

#### **ELECT TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN**

**Motion** by Sharrow, supported by Makuch, to elect Clerk Pellerito to act as Chair in the Supervisors absence.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

#### **BILLS PAYABLE**

**Motion** by Turner, supported by DeBoyer, to pay the bills in the amount of \$78,102.36.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Manos

**MOTION CARRIED**

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion** by Sharrow, supported by Dare, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATING TO ANY NEW BUSINESS**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Hardy Resignation

**Motion** by Makuch, supported by Turner, to accept Mary Jane Hardy's resignation from the DDA effective immediately and send a letter of appreciation of service.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

2. McNamee letter regarding Rhodes suit.

Pellerito: Norman Rhodes vs. Clay Township went to trial last week before Judge Deegan in Circuit court and ruled in the Township's favor and that the claim by Norman Rhodes was in fact frivolous. Our attorney has sent us a letter advising the Board of its options.

**Motion** by DeBoyer, supported by Dare, to proceed with collection of all reasonable costs incurred by the prevailing party, Clay Township, including court costs and reasonable attorney fees.

Sharrow: Has there been a discussion between Rhodes and our Attorney as to whether Mr. Rhodes would be interested in an agreement?

Pellerito: This is where we are now, would we like to see a discussion or go ahead with collection.

Sharrow: I would like to see a little bit of discussion between our attorney and Mr. Rhodes.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NAYES: Sharrow

ABSENT: Manos

**MOTION CARRIED**

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**3. St. Clair County Road Commission 2007 Road Budget**

Pellerito: Road Commission has asked we come back with any suggestions for road repairs in the 2007 budget by April 7<sup>th</sup>. Clay Township's road mileage share will be \$39,619.00 match money. Also instructed by letter to proceed with the bidding of the Harsens Island road program.

Sharrow: Can any match money be used for the Harsens Island road projects?

Pellerito: Absolutely.

**4. Resolution to Adopt Federal Poverty Guidelines**

**Motion** by Turner, supported by Dare, to approve the resolution adopting the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Manos

**MOTION CARRIED**

**5. Dingo's Retirement**

**Motion** by Sharrow, supported by DeBoyer, to accept the recommendation of Sgt. Foster and Acting Chief Drake that K-9 Dingo, badge #220 be retired with regrets. He has been the greatest PR Officer and least demanding Officer this department has ever had.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

Sgt. Foster thank the Board for all the support K-9 Dingo has received while serving the community.

**6. Mainland Fire Department request to purchase Turnout Gear**

**Motion** by Makuch, supported by Dare, to approve the purchase of one (1) set of Janesville turnout gear from Apollo Fire Equipment at the cost of \$1,236.00 from line item 206-700-985-00.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

**MOTION CARRIED**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Turner: Ordering trees April 1<sup>st</sup>, please call if you had trees cut down because of Emerald Ash Borer.

Pellerito: Attended the Road Commission meeting, budget being tightening up, Governor signed some legislation will be coming through with some help for the road program. Nothing in the plans for Marsh Road.

Sharrow: Heard anything on the M-29 & Ainsworth traffic light?

Pellerito: Sent a letter to Larry Young of MDOT, understand the actuated light is ordered and on the way.

Sharrow: Has there been a motion by the DDA to pay for it?

Pellerito: Don't believe so, perhaps Connie can take that back to them.

Sharrow: Has there been a request to regulate the speed sign for the school? It was 35 mph Saturday night and at 8:00 am Monday morning it was 45 mph.

Pellerito: That is a MDOT function, I will make a call.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion** by Makuch, supported by DeBoyer, to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 pm.

Michael P. Pellerito  
Clay Township Clerk