

**Minutes of the Clay Township Regular Board Meeting Held on Monday December 18, 2006
in the Clay Township Meeting Hall, 4710 Pointe Tremble Road, Clay Township, Michigan**

Supervisor Manos called the meeting to order at 8:10 p.m. following a public hearing.

ROLL CALL

Present: Supervisor Jon Manos, Clerk Michael Pellerito, Treasurer Connie Turner, Trustee Patricia Sharrow, Trustee David Dare

Absent: Trustee John Makuch, Trustee Jay DeBoyer

Citizens: 30

BILLS PAYABLE

Pellerito: Need to remove two bills totaling \$100.00 to Domain Registry of America, do not need this service.

Motion by Turner, supported by Dare, to approve paying the bills in the amount of \$146,208.21.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: Sharrow, Turner, Pellerito, Dare, Manos

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Makuch, DeBoyer

MOTION CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Sharrow, supported by Turner, to accept the Consent Agenda as submitted.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS

1. Contract Negotiations

Manos: Don't have any contracts, just adjust Office Manager hourly rate.

Motion by Pellerito, supported by Dare, to increase the Officer Manager's rate seventy-five cents (\$.75) over the office workers rate effective immediately.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATING TO ANY NEW BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution #2 to prepare the roll for Anchor Bay/North Channel Dredging

Manos: Have had discussion, have petitions, Board decides to approve or come up with another solution.

Sharrow: Evident there are many against this project, perhaps they didn't totally understand the petition. What is the state law provision to allow 51% who do not want project to gather petitions and stop this?

Manos: Believe anytime up until we approve the roll.

Sharrow: Before decision we need more information on dredging. We can't have our Engineer do it and pay with everyone's tax dollars. Is up to people who want the dredging to provide, we will not do it. Can't make a decision until we have more information.

Manos: In light of the information brought forth at Public Hearing could postpone and look into sections and bring it back.

Sharrow: If there is a change this resolution would not be accurate.

Motion by Turner, supported by Sharrow, to postpone adopting Resolution #2 until further information is received.

Pellerito: Allegedly some residents don't benefit from this, others do, need to get data, it may limit assessment district.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

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2. Resolution #3 to set the Public hearing to review the Roll for Anchor Bay/North Channel Dredging

Motion by Dare, supported by Turner, to postpone Resolution #3 until we take a look at all the information that could be available with changing and keeping everybody happy within the district.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

3. City of Algonac correspondence regarding Community Center Utility Bills

Turner: We postponed this until their audit was done.

Motion by Pellerito, supported by Sharrow, to contribute \$5,515.58 to the City of Algonac for one-half of the utility bills at the Algonac Community Center.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

4. Revisit Library Maintenance Agreement

Motion by Pellerito, supported by Turner, due to the outstanding job by the City Treasurer with several points of clarification to our Library Board, move to withdraw the Letter of Intent to withdraw from the Algonac/Clay Library Maintenance Agreement.

Dare: Has this been discussed with the City of Algonac, have things been put in place?

Turner: The Treasurer has come to the meetings and explained what happened and how to work it out and has done what the Library Board requested.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

5. Roof Repair/Replacement

Jon DeBoyer: Water Department did patching several locations on the roof; it is just a temporary fix. Today a couple of seams have opened up; the roof needs professional attention soon.

Section over the Building Department is okay; the older part is in bad shape.

Manos: Prices on truss roofs are high. The roof company I spoke with suggested we do a flat roof again, they claim that if it is maintained per the contract it will last. The cost for a flat roof is within reason.

Turner: We may still have this problem.

Pellerito: Should put out an RFP for both types of roof, it is in the Township's interest. Should do more than an ad in The Voice; contact our Engineers about doing an RFP. Know there may be a huge difference.

Turner: Could have more storage area, which we need, with a truss roof.

Manos: Custom truss and flooring is costly. Should get 20 years from a flat roof.

Turner: This is the second roof since I have been here.

Manos: Roof Company claims the sumps are blocked and weren't maintained.

Jon DeBoyer: Wasn't matter of maintenance, was a matter of drains froze and blocked the water from getting away, that's where most of the problems are, in the roof drains.

Manos: I had heat tapes on mine so that didn't happen.

Jon DeBoyer: Only happened about three times in 20 years.

Sharrow: Should appoint someone to be in charge of maintenance, had a new roof put on and then another company was called in for repair and voided the warranty. Should chart the proper maintenance.

Pellerito: Have got to put RFP out and ask for sealed bids; consider truss roof to see the difference and then bring back to the Board.

Motion by Sharrow, supported by Dare, to advertise for sealed bids on both types of roofs and have the information back by end of January.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

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6. Clay Township Support Emergency Operation Plan

Manos: Need to upgrade the plan and amend it.

Motion by Pellerito, supported by Dare, to designate the Chief of Police as liaison.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

7. Clerk's Association 2007 Dues

Motion by Turner, supported by Dare, to pay the 2007 dues for the Clerk in the amount of \$25.00.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

8. Supervisor's Association 06/07 Dues

Motion by Turner, supported by Dare, to pay the Supervisor's Association dues for 2006/2007 in the amount of \$50.00.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

9. Harsens Island Fire Department 06/08 Officers

Turner: Shouldn't it be Assistant Chief?

Pellerito: They are redoing the by-laws and it will change to Chief 2

Dare: When will by-laws be done?

Pellerito: Few months

Motion by Pellerito, supported by Dare, to approve the Harsens Island Fire Department 2006 to 2008 officers as presented.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jim Wisdom, City of Algonac Mayor: Thanked Board of Trustees for sharing utility bills and the Library maintenance. Library best thing that has happened to community. It is the only one in the county funded by a City and a Township.

Cindy Kirkpatrick, 9641 Wright Drive: Comments on Community Center utility bill; roof repairs

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Pellerito: Wished all a Merry Christmas

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Turner, supported by Dare, to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

Michael P. Pellerito
Clay Township Clerk