

**Minutes of the Clay Township Regular Board Meeting Held on Monday February 19, 2007
in the Clay Township Meeting Hall, 4710 Pointe Tremble Road, Clay Township, Michigan**

In the absence of Supervisor Manos, Clerk Pellerito called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Pellerito: In the absence of the Supervisor the appointment of a Chairperson for this meeting is needed.

Motion by Sharrow, supported by Makuch, to appoint the Clerk as the Chairperson in the absence of the Supervisor

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

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

Citizens: 10

BILLS PAYABLE

Motion by Turner, supported by Makuch, to pay the bills in the amount of \$69,776.35

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Manos

MOTION CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion Makuch, supported by Dare, to accept the Consent Agenda as submitted

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS

1. Library Agreement

Pellerito: This is an amendment of the first agreement we approved, two changes, in paragraphs one (1) and five (5)

Motion by Sharrow, supported by DeBoyer, to approve the agreement with the two slight changes made by the St. Clair County Library System

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Manos

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATING TO ANY NEW BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Short-term Disability and Life Insurance Carrier

Pellerito: On the first page; our experience with Boston Mutual for the years 2004, 2005 and 2006 shows that they have paid out more than they collected. Life insurance portion for the accidental death is \$0.32 per \$1,000; Accidental Death & Dismemberment is \$.025 per \$1,000; Short-term disability is \$1.02 per \$10. That is for 66 2/3% of the associates pay up to \$1,000 per month for one year. At that point that policy would expire. On the third page of the packet there is a quote from the Reliance Standard Company. Life insurance is \$.32, the same as Boston Mutual, the Accidental Death & Dismemberment is up, \$.035 from \$.025, but they have devised a program where the short-term disability would be for thirteen (13) weeks and back it up with a long-term program for the remaining nine (9) months to give the equivalent of a full year.

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That price then would roll out at \$.78 per \$10 for one year 66 2/3% of the gross pay. If you add the entire premium, which is on page four (4), you will see that the total for all benefits with Reliance Standard would be \$1,241.14. On the final page of the packet is the current premium and you will see the total of \$2,264.03 for Boston Mutual, which would mean a savings of about \$1,000.00 per month with Reliance Standard. Looking back at page one (1) you can see why the rate increased because of the paid loss ratio of 98.7%. So I ask if we continue on with Boston Mutual or switch to Reliance Standard with a savings of about \$1,000.00 per month. The agent of record for Reliance Standard will be Marwil Associates, who handle our Health Care at this time.

Motion by Makuch, supported by DeBoyer, to switch carriers to Reliance Standard for Short-term Disability and Life Insurance, who also handles our health Care coverage

Sharrow: For an employee who is ill and they will now have 13 weeks of short term but they will have the long term to immediately switch to, am I correct?

Pellerito: Yes, it will still be one year; there aren't any waiting periods so it moves right through.

Dare: Do we want to tie a dollar amount to the motion?

Pellerito: Think that will fluxuate as to the income levels of the associates.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Manos

MOTION CARRIED

2. St. Clair County Metropolitan Planning Commission Workshop

Motion by Sharrow, supported by Dare, to pay the sum of \$10.00 each for any Planning Commissioner or Board member that would like to attend the St. Clair County Metropolitan Planning Commission Winter Workshop on February 22, 2007

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

3. Police Maintenance Agreement – 911 System

Pellerito: This for the ProTel, which is the 911 system. The County imposes a 911 surcharge on the phone lines in the County, a portion of which are to be used specifically for 911 purposes.

This is coming out of the Police budget; this is an annual maintenance agreement

Motion by DeBoyer, supported by Sharrow, to approve the ProTel 911 System maintenance agreement in the amount of \$8,600.00.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Manos

MOTION CARRIED

4. Pitney Bowes Maintenance Agreement

Pellerito: This a maintenance agreement for the scale that is used with our postage machine, it is a one year agreement in the amount of \$192.00

Motion by Dare, supported by DeBoyer, to approve the Pitney Bowes Maintenance agreement in the amount of \$192.00

Pellerito: The reason we bring these maintenance agreements to the Board is that they are contracts and the entire Board must approve contracts.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

5. Harsens Island Fire Department Request for Replacement Locksets

Pellerito: Talked with Ben from Syntex Security System and he met with Daryl on Friday. We have a quote of \$600.00 to replace the Syntex Security System as well as the key locks

Motion by Makuch, supported by Dare to approve the replacement of the broken lock on the service door and the missing tumbler with Syntex Security Systems for a total cost not to exceed \$600.00 taken out of the line item for building improvements.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Makuch: Wednesday February 21st at 6:30 p.m. I will give a presentation on Great Lakes Shipwrecks at the Algonquin Middle School; the cost is \$5.00 with all proceeds going to Downriver Recreation Commission.

Pellerito: The Clerk's office will be open on Saturday, February 24th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for absent voter ballots only.

Sharrow: See there will be a liquor transfer in Clay Township, we don't have to approve but will we receive the Police report and the Building Inspector report before it goes through?

Pellerito: We could, will make a note of that. We have the Budget review at our next meeting at 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Makuch, supported by DeBoyer, to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

Michael P. Pellerito
Clay Township Clerk