

Minutes of the Clay Township Regular Board Meeting Held on Monday April 16, 2007 in the Clay Township Meeting Hall, 4710 Pointe Tremble Road, Clay Township, Michigan

Supervisor Manos called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Supervisor Jon E. Manos, Clerk Michael Pellerito, Treasurer Connie Turner, Trustee John Makuch, Trustee Jay DeBoyer, Trustee David Dare

Absent: Trustee Patricia Sharrow

Citizens 18

BILLS PAYABLE

Motion by Turner, supported by Dare, to pay the bills in the amount of \$112,649.24

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Sharrow

MOTION CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Makuch, supported by Dare, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

Supervisor Manos introduced Bonnie Potter from the Algonac Community Theater Group who invited the Board and citizens to their presentation of Harvey on April 26, 27 & 28, 2007.

Tickets may be purchased at the Algonac Water Lily or at the door.

Clerk Pellerito: There will be a Public Hearing for the Anchor Bay Drive Dredging on May 7, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Genaw Road Water Line

Manos: Gave an update on discussions with Supervisor of Cottrellville Township and Township Attorney McNamee and procedure would need to follow.

DeBoyer: Feel this is going in circles, requested it be put on agenda to find out if the Ts were crossed and Is dotted and all issues were addressed would it be our position to negotiate to allow these people to tap.

Motion by DeBoyer that we are open to negotiations with Cottrellville and Algonac to set the perimeters to allow these people to tap our waterline. 6650 Genaw, 6646 Genaw and 6614 Genaw would like to tap.

Manos: Mr. McNamee said is inappropriate for our Board before they have all the facts and figures to take any action at this time. Cottrellville needs to take action first, no sense making any statements now. You are trying to lead the Board into something ahead of time.

Makuch: Don't think Trustee DeBoyer is making a formal commitment, if Cottrellville says okay, if Algonac says okay we will just discuss it.

DeBoyer: On our agenda tonight is a mutual aid agreement with other municipalities, those are the things government does for their citizens to create the best environment they can.

Dare: I would like to **support** Trustee DeBoyer's **motion** because we are not entering into any agreements and this is a good starting point.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: Makuch, Turner, Dare, DeBoyer, Pellerito

NAYES: Manos

ABSENT: Sharrow

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATING TO ANY NEW BUSINESS

None

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NEW BUSINESS

1. Renewal Michigan Association of Planning dues

Motion by Turner, supported by Dare, to approve the Michigan Association of Planning dues for \$675.00

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

2. Mutual Aid Agreement

Chief Drake: Requested by the Office of Emergency Management, not changing procedures, to declare an emergency it would come from the Supervisor or in his absence his liaison. This is a formality to show the entire County is on Board

Makuch: Is this a standard agreement for all agencies associated with Emergency Management?

Chief Drake: Yes

Motion by Makuch, supported by Turner, to approve the mutual aid agreement for mutual aid for emergencies and disasters in St. Clair County as presented by our liaison to Emergency Management, Chief Drake.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

3. Sony Recorder and Transcriber Maintenance Agreement

Motion by DeBoyer, supported by Makuch, to approve the Sony Recorder and Transcriber Maintenance agreement in the amount of \$290.00

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

4. Various Road improvements

Motion by Makuch, supported by Dare, to approve the agreement that St. Clair County will pay for the first swath mowing and Clay Township will pay for the second and third cut if needed on various local roads for a total amount of \$7,200.00

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Makuch, supported by DeBoyer, to approve entering into the agreement with the St. Clair County Road Commission activity 501 for various roads where the county truck will haul limestone in subdivisions and shoulders of local roads as directed by the Supervisor or Clerk, 200 tons of limestone at \$5,000.00

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

5. Schedule Public Hearing Soil Removal Permit Renewals

Motion by Makuch, supported by DeBoyer, to set the public hearing for soil removal permits at 7:00 p.m. on May 21, 2007 here at the Township.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

6. Adoption of DRC By-laws

Turner: The By-laws were adopted under a different law than the what they should have been.

Pellerito: When you go to the instrument of creation you find that the DRC was adopted under the Urban Cooperation Act of 1967 and the by-laws were adopted under the Recreation and Playgrounds Act 156 of 1917 so they don't jib with one of another.

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Motion by Turner, supported by Makuch, to adopt the DRC By-laws under the Urban Cooperation Act of 1967

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

7. N.C.Y.C. Request Clay Townships Assistance in Purchasing Buoys

Pellerito: We have done it twice in the past, but we're not getting any wealthier right now.

Motion by Makuch, supported by DeBoyer, to deny the request of N.C.Y.C based on budgetary concerns and projected revenue shortfalls in the next year

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

8. Request to host S.C.C. Board of Commissioners Meeting

Motion by Makuch, supported by DeBoyer, to approach the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners and have them select one of the three dates and we will approve having the meeting here as long as we have an answer in the next three weeks.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

9. Building Inspectors Request for S.M.B.O. Dues

Motion by DeBoyer, supported by Dare, to approve the S.M.B.O. dues in the amount of \$220.00, one payment.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

10. Discussion of Planning Fees Grande Pointe Development

Manos: Fees on the schedule are stated per acre, does not take into account number of acres being developed. The fees go to the Planner; he felt there should be some clarification so everybody that comes in pays for amount of acres being reviewed. Planner suggested putting a cap on fees.

Would clarify to the Building Department also. Township fees stay the same.

Makuch: We're not getting any of this money why are we getting involved?

Manos: So the Building Department has a schedule for the public.

DeBoyer: Are we clear enough on how we determine which portion is being developed?

Pellerito: Planner determines that.

Motion by DeBoyer, supported by Makuch, to adopt the Resolution Amending Schedule of Fees, Charges and Expenses, Ordinance #123, Section 21.03, 3.b

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Sharrow

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Manos: At DDA meeting information received notice that Candice Miller through a special Federal grant has obtained some additional funding that may be available in St. Clair County for extension of the Bridge-to-Bay bike path. A few years ago the Township made an application for a bike path on Harsens Island but the monies did not come through. Did email to the County and sent it to the Parks and Recreation with our intent to follow through if the County would consider the grant to us. It is for this year. If we could correlate with MDOT work would be good.

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Dare: Boating season soon, we need to figure how we handle are going to hand runs to the out island rather than waiting until season begins.

Manos: Had a meeting with the “We are Here Foundation”; discussed problems of last year; they are formulating things such as posting islands and informing public.

Makuch: Posting or not people will come and medical runs will be made; need an ordinance to collect for the runs so the Harsens Island tax dollars won’t foot the bill.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Makuch, supported by DeBoyer, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

MOTION CARRIED

Michael P. Pellerito
Clay Township Clerk