

**CLARK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 15, 2018 AT 8:00 AM**

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance: 8:00 AM

Roll Call: Present – Clymer, Sherlund, Rutledge, Patton, Schuster.

Others Present: Jim Smith (Smith Sanitation), Eric Doerr (St. Ignace News), John Torsky, Julie Smith.

Approval of Agenda

Motion: Schuster made the motion to approve the Agenda as presented. Patton supported. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Minutes: 7-18-18

General Fund Invoices

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| Evashevski Law Office | 1,710.00 |
| Flotation Docking | <u>1,415.25</u> |
| TOTAL | 3,125.25 |

Sewer Fund Invoices: none

Events: L.C. Islands Wildlife Assoc. Salmon Derby August 25 at Hessel Marina
Old Timer's Softball game at Lindberg Airport September 3

Motion: Sherlund made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda with General Fund Invoices in the amount of \$3,125.25. Rutledge supported. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Sherlund reported that the General Fund bank balance is currently \$438,915.00 and the Sewer Fund balance is \$380,402.06. He reported that a few of the electrical pedestals at the Marina needed replacing. One of the three is complete at this time.

Supervisor's Report

Old Mission Cemetery – the group that was taking care of it quit claimed it over to the Twp. We are looking into the title transfer and then transferring it over to the Tribe to continue the care of it.

Airport Lights – Donald Moore is claiming that only one light was broken when his subcontractor was snow plowing and is not willing to pay for the repairs for all the lights that were broken. He has been billed for about \$1,700.00 in repairs and not paid it yet.

Cedarville Harbor – has been re-bid as 5 separate packages and advertised in the newspapers now. Those bids need to be back to the Twp. by Aug. 30th at 3:00 PM then a special board meeting will be set up for decisions in moving forward. Merri Carlock and John Maze were here

for a visit and saw both the Hessel Marina and the Cedarville project. They were pleased with what they saw. He also had them review the parking project in Hessel.

Hill Island Bridge – is ahead of schedule. They want to close the bridge during the daytime instead of at night. This will happen in September and everyone will be notified in advance to be prepared for this event.

Airport – Clymer now has a draft of a lease for the hangars at the airport for the pilots who are interested in keeping their planes on the premises. The money will probably be set up to be collected quarterly.

Paul Hitchens – has concerns of our payroll costing the Twp. a million dollars, but was not able to be here today to voice them. Reality is that our payroll is only over just a half of a million and that includes our EMT staff that is covered by millage money that is received yearly.

Culverts – the Twp. is still willing to pay for the extremely damaged culverts on Park Ave. when the ditching work is done.

Roads – the Road Committee has not met, but since the millage passed, the paving and/or cement work on the Recycle Center will be discussed.

Correspondence

DEQ Public Notice – Frederick Ayers to rebuild a boathouse crib dock

MTA On The Road - will be coming to Brimley on October 11 this year. If interested, the cost is \$113.00 per person. Please let Susie know by early September so she can get everyone registered.

Committee/Commission Reports

Planning Commission

Patton reported that they heard one case for a variance that they tabled because the plans were unclear and not detailed and not advertised correctly. The ZBA also tabled the case.

They had a visitor come questioning the easement/road-end off Islington Ave. They encouraged him to get a survey of his property to clear up the questions he has.

Clymer explained that this particular road-end will most likely be designated as foot traffic only. Another visitor expressed concerns about a neighbor that rents her home as a hunting lodge and uses the electric easement to access her property. The Planning Commission told him that they have no jurisdiction over that issue at this time.

Patton also requested permission on behalf of the P.C. to prepare a list of questions they have for our lawyer for some direction and answers for residents that have approached the Commission.

Sewer Advisory Board

Clymer provided the minutes from their 7-30-18 meeting. The new aerators at the lagoons are not here yet. The Cedar Rd. extension project in Hessel has been cancelled. The Board felt they needed more information before being able to make decisions on raising the quarterly rates.

Clymer reported a sewer break in the line up on Blindline Rd. again. They are planning on cutting out a 6 ft. chunk of pipe. They will shut the sewer line down at the corner and hire someone to pump the sewage into trucks and transport it up to the lagoons.

Fire Dept. – no report.

Recreation Committee – no report.

Old Business

Repairs to Twp. Office Building

The concrete was removed from outside of both doors and a deck added on the south side of the building. \$5,000.00 was approved at the last meeting, but the costs for the project exceeded that by \$2,225.35.

Motion: Schuster made the motion to approve the additional cost of \$2,225.35 for the Twp. Hall repairs. Sherlund supported.

Roll Call: Yes - Clymer, Rutledge, Patton, Schuster, Sherlund. Motion carried.

Fire Call Fees – Follow Up From July

Rutledge provided information from some neighboring townships as to what they charge for fire calls. After some review of those charges, the Board agreed that they would like some input from our own Fire department. Rutledge will talk to Honnila and then the Board can decide how to move forward. Clymer inquired as to what our general costs are for “call outs”. Rutledge will follow up.

New Business

Smith Sanitation

Jim Smith informed the Board that he has merged with another company called Green For Life (GFL) and they are willing to take over the contract “as is” and keep the recycle program going. They will implement some safety features to the center such as adding cameras to see violators who are dumping off after hours and visually see what size loads are being dumped. They are looking into adding a phone line for credit card capabilities.

Clymer agreed to consult with our Twp. Attorney to draft the name change into the contract.

Clymer also wants to start talking about pavement/concrete work with Smith.

Liaison Officer for Fire Department

Rutledge informed the Board that the Fire Department recently discussed a replacement for Jack Otstot and they have recommended Chet Kasper III as he has the computer skills and background and he is willing to take that position.

Motion: Rutledge made the motion to appoint Chester Kasper III to the position of Fire Department Liaison Officer at an annual rate of \$1,500.00. Patton supported.

Roll Call: Yes – Patton, Clymer, Schuster, Sherlund, Rutledge. Motion carried.

Lake Superior State University Sewer Alarm Study

Jim Keighley and Paul Webber from the University put the initial program together but it was turned down for now. They are working on an alternative. More information will come later.

Public Comment

John Torsky raised concerns about the Cedarville downtown park and public docks.

He reported that there has been some neglect and nails are sticking up on the docks, handrails need to be sanded, weeds removed, and one post is missing.

The gazebo and tables are filthy and garbage cans are overflowing. The goose droppings are all over the sidewalk and grass. He realizes that the geese have been a problem all over the Twp. this year and questioned if either the State or DNR can be contacted to offer some help. Clymer promised to follow up on these problems.

Adjournment: 9:35 AM

Motion: Schuster made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Sherlund supported.

All Ayes. Motion carried.