

Clarendon Township Board Meeting

Monday, January 12, 2025
Regular Meeting Minutes

- I. **Opening:** Present were Steve Schrock, Ericka Tryon, Rose Mary Berry, James Russell, and Tim Anderson. Also present were 4 members of the public.
 - A. Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM by Supervisor Schrock followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
- II. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve by Tim Anderson; second by Rose Mary Berry. Motion Carried
- III. **Public Voice:**
 - A. **DTE Energy:** Wind Project in Clarendon Township
- IV. **Minutes:** Motion to approve by Rose Mary Berry; second by Tim Anderson. Motion Carried
- V. **Correspondence:**
 - A. Doctoral Residency: Clerk's Doctoral Residency is 2nd week of February. Deputy Clerk Vicki Brownell will be filling in for Clerk February 9th.
 - B. Decker Agency Audit: Insurance Audit was performed. Decker reached out to Clerk for relevant documents related to audit. Clerk provided all requested information.
 - C. Fire Millage Feedback: Unfortunately, we would need the resolution to have the original signatures of Tim and Rose Mary, and it would have to be decided at the meeting which election it is going on specifically. Even though the minutes say the board wants it on the earliest election, the resolution language that was submitted and signed says August, so as of right now, that is what we have to accept. If you would like it to be on the May ballot, we would need the August resolution rescinded and a new resolution signed and approved by the board specifying the May election date. If you do this at your January meeting, you will still meet the deadline for the May ballot deadline.
- VI. **Treasurer's Report:** CD's renewed @ 3.55%. Rose Mary to follow up on rolling over two additional CD's next month. Motion to approve by Ericka Tryon; second by Tim Anderson. Motion Carried
- VII. **Accounts Payable:**
 - A. Total Bills: \$17,836.75 Motion to approve by Rose Mary Berry and seconded by Tim Anderson. Motion carried.
Money Moves and Allocations: Motion to approve by Rose Mary Berry and seconded by Tim Anderson. Motion carried.
 - 8k moved from Safebuilt bucket to Fire Protection Bucket. Safebuilt now has 9k allocated and Fire Protection has 62k allocated
 - Paid for Homer Index out of Election Expenses Bucket
 - Paid for Quickbooks Subscription out of Election Supplies Bucket
- VIII. **Election:**
 - A. Ballot Container Certification: March 25th 8am @ county building
 - B. Early Voting Meeting: Wednesday, January 21st at 10:00AM. Clerk to sign agreement
- IX. **Committee Reports:**
 - A. **Ambulance Report** (Steve Schrock): N/A
 - B. **Homer Fire Board Report** (Rose Mary Berry or Tim Anderson): Budget approved. Paid Bills with several budget amendments. Discussing 2026 insurance premium increases.
 - C. **Homer Lake Board Report** (Tim Anderson): N/A
 - D. **Tekonsha Fire Board Report** (Steve Schrock): Meeting Canceled. Medical Truck Totaled. Pending additional information.
 - E. **Zoning Enforcement Report** (Randy Shank): Cuff Residents to submit plans. Is a permit needed for prefab porches? Steve suggested Land Use Permit is still needed. Application will be dropped off. Steve to follow up with Meathouse concerning application
 - F. **County Road Department Report** (Jim Russell or Steve Schrock): N/A
 - G. **Sexton Report** (Tyler Butters): N/A
 - H. **Planning Commission Report** (Richard Maples): N/A

X. Old Business:

- A. Dump Day:** Tabled to Spring
- B. Porta Johns/Wheelies:** Tabled to Spring
- C. Replace Pump @ Cemetery:** Tabled to Spring
- D. Parks Millage:** Clerk to send documentation
- E. Cuff Alt Dwelling:** Randy Shank to follow up
- F. T Drive House and Trailer:** Clean up complete. Clerk to remove from future meetings
- G. Church on County Line:** Pending Lawyer. Steve to follow up

XI. New Business:

- A. Michigan Minimum Wage:** As of January 1, 2026, Michigan's minimum wage is \$13.73 per hour, an increase from the previous rate, as part of a law aiming to reach \$15 per hour by 2027. Clarendon Board voted to increase Minimum Wage for hourly workers to \$15 per hour. Motion to approve by Tim Anderson and seconded by Rose Mary Berry. Motion carried.

- B. Parks And Rec:** Clarendon Township should be allocated approximately \$4,184.91 for parks and rec funds in 2026. Discussed using funds for new picnic tables. Clerk to send paperwork for review. Motion to approve by Tim Anderson and seconded by James Russell. Motion carried.

- C. Rescind Fire Millage Resolution:** To adopt verbiage being placed on May 5th ballot, previously signed Millage must be rescinded. After discussing the implications with the board and the necessary procedures to update the date of the original copy, it was decided that the fire millage verbiage will remain on the August ballot without update. Motion to approve by Tim Anderson and seconded by Rose Mary Berry. Motion carried

XII. Land Use Permits: 2x Land Use Permits. Motion to approve by Tim Anderson and seconded by Ericka Tryon. Motion carried

XIII. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM. Motion to approve by Rose Mary Berry and seconded by Tim Anderson. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Schrock, Supervisor

Ericka Tryon, Clerk