

Clarendon Township Board Meeting

Monday, October 9, 2017
Regular Meeting Minutes

- I. **Opening:** Steve Schrock, Sharla Vincent, Rose Mary Berry, Tim Anderson and Jim Russell. Also present were 5 members of the public.
 - A. Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM by Steve Schrock followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
- II. **Additions to and Approval of Agenda:** Rose Mary Berry moved to approve agenda; Tim Anderson supported; motion carried.
- III. **Public Voice:** Tree has gone down in Cook's Prairie Cemetery damaging headstones. George Baker will check and give estimate on needed work.
- IV. **Minutes:** Rose Mary Berry moved to approve the September minutes; Tim Anderson supported; motion carried.
- V. **Correspondence:** Letter from Attorney detailing steps for passing the Zoning Ordinance; notification of Oct. 11, 2017 Construction Code Commission meeting with our request to administer on the docket.
- VI. **Treasurer's Report:** Sharla Vincent moved to approve Treasurer's report; Tim Anderson supported; motion carried.
- VII. **Accounts Payable:** Rose Mary Berry moved we approve bills in the amount of \$18,942.91; Tim Anderson supported; motion carried.
- VIII. **Committee Reports:**
 - A. **Ambulance Report** (Steve Schrock): Audit was clean. Ended \$25,000 in black. Clarendon had 6 runs in June, 3 in July and 4 in August. Added one part-time employee.
 - B. **Homer Fire Board** (Rose Mary Berry or Tim Anderson): 4 runs in Clarendon. Discussion on fire run costs and charges. There will be an open house on 10/11 during Fire Prevention Week. Hired firm to test hoses. County Fire Academy will honor Michael Hawkins. Chief Swope wants to buy uniforms for those firefighters who do not have them.
 - C. **Tekonsha Fire Board** (Terry Petersen): 5 calls in July and August. Have billed \$6,500 for fire calls. Hired 6 new firemen. Open house 10/11 from 6 to 8 pm. A fire station committee is meeting to discuss options for a new fire station.
 - D. **Zoning Enforcement Report:** Randy Shank brought copies of a proposed letter on zoning violations for Board review. Waiting on passage of new Zoning ordinance and SafeBuilt coming on board.
 - E. **Planning Commission Report** (Penny West): Discussed rezoning of old lumber yard property with a conditional use permit. Discussed a resident request to build a 10' X 20' barn to run a business. Would be possible with a conditional use permit with stipulations. Residents were not present at the meeting. There was discussion on how to start enforcing ordinances on people living in camping trailers. It would be prudent to wait until SafeBuilt is officially on board and the attorney is done revamping the zoning ordinances. Would like to invite Glenn from SafeBuilt to December meeting for input. Discussed the M-60 property with the old trailer. Property has been purchased, trailer will be removed and an upscale modular home will be installed. Variance from the 2 acre prohibition will be allowed because a trailer had been there previously.
 - F. **Election Report** (Sharla Vincent):
 - G. **County Road Department Report** (Jim Russell): Work going on throughout county

IX. Old Business:

- A. Cost Recovery Ordinance:** Tabled until a decision made by the Authority
- B. Zoning Ordinance Review and Revision:** We have received proposed changes to the Zoning Ordinance and a plan of action for passage from our attorney. The Planning Commission will schedule a special meeting and hearing for a recommendation to the Board.
- C. Fall Clean-up Day:** Went well. It was determined there was not enough usage to justify the expense of a second clean-up day. We will go back to just one in the spring.

X. New Business:

- A. Budget Amendment:** Sharla Vincent moved we move \$150 from Hall Maintenance to Garbage service. Tim Anderson supported; motion carried.

XI. Public Voice: Our County Commissioner, Gary Tompkins, reported the County Commission passed an \$18,000,000 bond for 15 years for roads. They did present a list of projects to be done with the bond money. Policy 509 is proving that townships with money are receiving priority on road projects, contrary to claims before passage. MDOT plans to redo M60 from Old 27 to Homer village limits next year.

XII. Land Use Permits: None

- I. Adjournment:** Rose Mary Berry moved we adjourn. Sharla Vincent supported; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharla Vincent, Clerk

Steve Schrock, Supervisor

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