

Clarendon Township Board Meeting

Monday, September 11, 2023
Regular Meeting Minutes

- I. **Opening:** Present were Steve Schrock, Ericka Tryon, Tim Anderson, Rose Mary Berry, and James Russell. Also present were 15 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. **Additions to and Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve by James Russell; second by Tim Anderson.
- III. **Public Voice:**
 - A. **Q Drive Residents:** Expressed concern regarding new trailers being brought onto the property.
- IV. **Minutes:** Motion to approve by Tim Anderson; second by Rose Mary Berry. Motion Carried
- V. **Correspondence:**
 - A. **Dykema Transmission Line:** Information Available for Review
 - B. **2023 Audit:** Clerk/Treasurer delivered reportable items to Auditor. Pending Next Steps
 - **Account 2666** – Need Statements/Withdrawal information (Clerk Sent via Email)
 - **Tax Account** – what is the amount \$89,301.89 for?
 - **Trust and Agency** - 3/31/22 and 4/30/22 bank statements
 - C. **Jerry Davis:** Called to express concerns regarding the upkeep of West Clarendon:
 - **Bushes Overgrown:** Headstones should be outside the bush not inside
 - **Trimming between Headstones Irregular:** No Consistency
- VI. **Treasurer's Report:** Motion to approve report by Ericka Tryon; Second by Tim Anderson. Motion Carried.
- VII. **Elections:**
 - A. **Clarendon Township will not have a November Election**
 - B. **Early Voting Options** (Ericka Tryon): In November 2022 Proposal 22-2 was approved by Michigan Voters. This means we will be offering 9 days of Early Voting for State and Federal Elections. Calhoun County has offered to provide a central location for those interested in voting early. By joining the County costs would be shared and election inspectors will be shared from all the Townships working with the County. These 9 days will include 2 weekends and the 5- week days before the election. The Early Voting Center (E.V.C.) will be opened for eight hours each day.
 - **Estimated Cost to Township if we Do Not partner w. County = \$53,404**
 - **Estimated Cost to Township if we Do partner w. County = \$10,668.79**Clerk to place on next months agenda.
- VIII. **Accounts Payable:** \$21,306.30. Motion to approve by Rose Mary Berry; second by Tim Anderson; carried.
- IX. **Committee Reports:**
 - A. **Ambulance Report** (Steve Schrock): No Meeting due to Fair.
 - B. **Homer Lake Board** (Tim Anderson): Meeting Next Week.
 - C. **Homer Fire Board** (Tim Anderson): Short Meeting. Paid Bills. Jaws of Life Demonstration. Swope's applied for Grant for first responder equipment. 218 calls YTD. 31 MTD.
 - D. **Tekonsha Fire Board** (Richard Maples or Steve Schrock): No Meeting
 - E. **Zoning Administrator Report** (Randy Shank): letters sent to residents.
 - F. **Sexton** (Tyler Butters): Sexton to follow up with Jerry Davis on WC concerns. No Funerals.
 - G. **Planning Commission Report** (Richard Maples): Pursuing Ordinance language for Wind/Solar Farms.

H. County Road Department Report (Steve Schrock): Funds received. Projects pending completion.

X. Old Business:

A. Dump Day: Tabled till Spring

B. Porta Johns/Wheelies: No issues to report. Will remove at end of monthly pay period

C. Parks Millage: Flag Pole pending install.

D. P-Drive Update: Pursuing Alternative Options.

E. Cuff Alt Dwelling – Steve Followed Up

F. Q-Drive Concern: Trailers Removed. New trailers were moved on to the property. Township looking at options to remove trailers.

G. Ballot Drop Box Surveillance: Pending Quotes from James Hyde

H. SLFRF Funds: Reporting Complete for 2023. Additional Funding Check Received. Total Funding = \$ 121,871.17.

- Tekonsha Fire Department requested 7,000 for new equipment. Motion to approve by James Russell and seconded by Ericka Tryon. Motion carried. – Received Invoice
- Homer Fire Department for new batteries. Motion to approve by James Russell and seconded by Ericka Tryon. Motion carried.
- Board approved \$7,000 for Quoted equipment. Motion to approve by James Russell and seconded by Tim Anderson. Motion carried. Clerk to file Quote. – Received Invoice

XI. New Business:

A. Transportation Authority of Calhoun County (TACC): Resolution to remove Clarendon Township from TACC service agreement. Board Roll Call Vote Completed. Motion Carried 5 yes to 0 no votes.

B. Transmission Line: Clerk placed language on message board. Open House to be held at Townhall in October.

C. Powder Post Beetles: Steve purchased new product to spray on Townhall floor. Clerk to place on next month's agenda.

XII. Land Use Permits: No Land Use Permits

XIII. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 8:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Ericka Tryon, Clerk

Steve Schrock, Supervisor

Ericka Tryon, Clerk