

**Clyde Township Monthly Board Meeting
3350 Vincent Road
Clyde Township
July 19, 2022**

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Manoleas at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call: Turner, DeShon, Compton, Voight, Dortman, Neruda, and Manoleas

Carolyn Richards present and introduced herself to the Board and the audience. She is running for District 1 County Commissioner.

Steven Rutkowski from Spicer Group did a presentation to the Board. The Township is looking for an Engineering Firm. Their headquarters is located in Saginaw. An information folder was passed out to the members. He discussed that Spicer can help the Township apply for various grants that are available.

Supervisor Manoleas stated that he has worked with the Spicer Group for the watershed topic and that they are very professional. He also stated that the Board should consider employing two engineering firms. Spicer Group for regular projects and the Lehner Associates for water because Eric Ostling works at this firm and is very familiar with the Township's water system.

Minutes from 2nd Monthly Board Meeting of June 21, 2022

- ✓ Motion by Trustee Neruda support from Treasurer Compton to approve minutes of June 21, 2022 Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Minutes from 1st Monthly Board Meeting of July 5, 2022

- ✓ Motion Trustee DeShon support from Trustee Dortman to approve minutes of July 5, 2022. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

- ✓ Motion by Trustee Voight support from Trustee DeShon to approve Treasurer's report dated July 5, 2022 as presented and subject to audit. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Bills Presented

- ✓ Motion by Trustee Dortman support from Treasurer Compton to approve the list of bills-pay in reference to list of bills dated July 20, 2022
General/\$48,234.36 Water Department \$3,300.42 total \$51,534.78 monthly payroll \$36,161.27 Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA-None

Report from Building Department- Rod Cowan/One house addition, one solar panels, one garage, one deck attached to pool, one fence and three certificates of occupancies.

Report from the Ordinance Officer-Bonnie DeShon/Report submitted and on file

Report from the Fire Department- Chief Dortman/Eleven emergencies, two PI accidents, two good intent, one weather warning, one mutual aid Kenockee.

Report from the Planning Commission-Mike McGriff/Commission looked over the enforcement ordinance for Ordinance officer to increase the fines. Continuing to update section 16. Reviewed the training from MTA and will go over it in more detail next month.

Report of Parks and Recreation Committee-Sherry Beiser Walter/still waiting for delivery of waste cans and the spinners for parks. Received information that the county has some grant chances coming up. Cindy Duncan will attend. Committee would like to know when and how their money is being spent, so they can keep track of their budget. The Committee also discussed the vandalism sign at the parks. Recently, a conviction happened because a person took video of the offense. Question was asked if this reward was going to be paid and where or what budge would be paying for this? Trustee Neruda stated that he would like to see a camera installed on the new electrical pole for the lights at Jake Simpson's Park in order to monitor this park. There was also additional vandalism at the park – fireworks were set off in the porta john.

Report of Cemetery Advisory Committee-Franz Neruda/The Committee had an interesting meeting. Brinker family and William Lipke were present at the meeting. Each had different concerns. Addressed Brinker family and suggested to them what they needed to do in order to help out their situation. William Lipke wants his families' headstone level and even. Discussion. It was decided that the Township will replace two foundations and he will have Lincoln move the headstones in order for this happen. Also it was reported that starting next week some trees will be cut down in Ruby Cemetery.

Correspondence

Supervisor Manoleas/Clerk Turner

Supervisor Manoleas had some at large drain invoices from the County Drain Commissioner. Discussion. He also reported to the Board that there will be a pre-construction meeting with the St. Clair County Road Commission on the

Lapeer and Abbottsford roundabout.

OLD BUSINESS:

ENGINEERING FIRM (DISCUSSION)

The Board received a presentation from the Spicer Group. BMJ can't really help out the Township because they are into surveys and such. Discussion on the Spicer Group and the Lehner Associates for the possibilities for the Township. The Board will do more research and discuss at next meeting.

FIRE AGREEMENT WITH KIMBALL TOWNSHIP (CLERK TURNER)

Trustee Dortman will contact George Jackson in Kimball Township to discuss the discrepancies in the numbers that the Township is being charged for. More information will be coming to the Board on this topic. Next meeting.

REMOVAL OF SECTION 11 OF ZONING BOOK (PLANNING COMMISSION)

Slight discussion. Clerk Turner and Chairperson Mike McGriff of the Planning Commission will get together on this topic. Put on agenda when ready.

ADDRESSING PUBIC COMMENT TOPIC (DISCUSSION)

Board members and residents have voiced their concerns about eliminating second public comment during public meetings. Discussion on holding a strict three minute time limit on comments. A person cannot use another person's minutes. Supervisor Manoleas mentioned that MTA suggested implementing a list and how the Township will run meetings available to residents. It was discussed to have this list with the agendas on the table when residents come into the meeting room. Supervisor Manoleas stated that this is his responsibility.

Clerk Turner read from the MTA book addressing public comments.

"The public has a right to attend and watch the board do its business. The public does not have a right to participate in the deliberations or decision of a township board, although a township board may always choose to encourage and consider public input."

- Motion by Supervisor Manoleas support from Treasurer Compton to put two public comments back on the agenda, one at the beginning and one at the end of meetings. Yeas: 4 Nays: 3 Motion carried.

It was discussed about not getting into a full blown debate on topics, and that the three minute rule will be strictly enforced.

DPW TRUCK (DISCUSSION)

Trustee Neruda reported to the Board that the Ford truck needed some repairs at the cost of \$624.85. The Chevy truck needs shocks. It was discussed that a new truck would be able to fit in the present DPW garage and leave the plow on the front. Supervisor Manoleas stated that Trustee Neruda can work at getting some figures and taking it from there.

WATER RATES (DISCUSSION)

Discussion on the need to send out letters to water customers to get their new water meters installed.

- Motion by Trustee Neruda support from Clerk Turner to send letter out for the deadline of October 2022 to make appointments to install the new radio read meters, so not to get an estimated bill. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Clerk Turner presented to the Board information on the increases from Kimball Township on the water rates. The last increase to the residents was back in 2019. Discussion. Clerk Turner will have Resolution for next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

TIMBERLINE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT (DISCUSSION)

Supervisor Manoleas wanted to start the conversation on this topic. The project should be done sometime in the middle of August. This project consisted of replacing pipe work that is 25 feet underground of Timberline Road that goes into Black River. The Township is using the Local Road Funding Assistance Program in order to pay for this. Which means a lower cost to the residents of the area. A Special Assessment was discussed and a letter sent out to the residents of Timberline for payment and the payback process. Township is waiting for final cost on this project in order to get this plan started.

2023 ST. CLAIR COUNTY LRFAP (DISCUSSION)

Discussion on any possible projects that the Township is looking at. Maybe taking a year off from this program. Next month's agenda for discussion.

RESOLUTION 22-14 PARTIAL TERMINATION OF PA116 PUBLIC INTEREST (SUPERVISOR MANOLEAS)

Remove this topic from the agenda. No Board approval needed. Supervisor

Manoleas took care of this.

INFORMATION FROM MTA CLASS (DISCUSSION) SUPERVISOR MANOLEAS

Took two classes in Frankenmuth. Supervisor Manoleas discussed a time schedule that he received from the MTA class. Talked about consent agenda. Supervisor Manoleas will get a list together to put in order on how meetings should run. He will get credit for this through his Township Governance Academy.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT (CLERK TURNER)

- ✓ Motion by Clerk Turner support from Treasurer Compton to approve budget amendment 101/751/800.008 County Millage funds/rollover to \$85,998.00. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- ✓ Motion by Clerk Turner support from Treasurer Compton to approve new line item and amend budget 101/751/800.011 Donation expense to \$2,201.98. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

AFSCME GRIEVANCE

Supervisor Manoleas wanted this on the agenda. He reported to the Board that there will be a meeting with the AFSCME Union representative on next Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. He just wanted to let the Board know that this could become a potential problem.

TIDBITS

Public Comment 8:28 p.m.

Kathy Marsh, liked the person from Spicer Group and the grants etc. She also reminded the Board that the Township cannot make money on the water customers. Liked idea about the letter to the water customers about the deadline on the radio meters.

Joyce Dahlberg reported to the Board that her neighbor has buried his pipe within the deadline. She mentioned that next year in March see how it goes. She wanted to also thank the Township on being supportive on this issue.

Mike McGriff thanked the Boar for reinstating the second public comment.

Debbie Manoleas offered her help on the topic of the Parks and Recreation Committee budget.

- Motion by Supervisor Manoleas support from Clerk Turner to adjourn meeting. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
By Kathleen Turner, Clerk

Approved by Ernie Manoleas
Supervisor