

Approved Minutes of the Clyde Township Board Meeting – January 9, 2008.

The regular monthly meeting of the Clyde Township Board was held at the Township Hall, Wednesday, January 9, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Audience: Don Nagel, Jackie Ladwein, Sara Bushee, Andy Cook, Jordon Johnson, John Hollander, Randy Simmons, Don Karaus, Rick McKellips, Joe Schut, Tom Chatman, Marlynn Starring, and Judge Skocless.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Members present – Tom Giles, Bob Larsen, Bernie McLeod, and Chris McKellips. Bernie VanKampen was absent.

A motion made by McLeod, supported by Larsen, that the minutes of the December Board meeting be approved as written. Motion carried.

A motion made by Larsen, supported by McKellips, to approve the minutes of the December Election Commission meeting as written. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Clerk received from the Allegan County Road Commission – December newsletter with the annual 2007 Summary and the schedule for 2008 Primary Road Resurfacing Program Meetings. Clyde Township in Area 4 will be Tuesday, January 29, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. Clerk also received from the Clyde Township Fire Department a breakdown of call for 2007. There were 77 Incidents. 33 Assists – 20 with Lee; 9 with Fennville, 1 each with Ganges, Graafschap, Hamilton, and AMR. 26 Calls in Clyde Township – 3 Structure Fires; 10 downed power lines; 5 personal injury calls; and 9 various calls. 18 Calls in Valley Township – 3 Structure Fires; 3 personal injury calls; 3 car fires; 2 gas leaks, and 7 various calls.

The Treasurer's report was read. A motion made by McLeod, supported by McKellips, to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried. The report is attached and is now part of the official minutes.

Bills were presented. A motion made by McLeod, supported by Larsen, that we pay the bills as presented. Roll Call Vote - - all yea's. Motion carried.

Checks 6612 - 6660

Total Disbursements: \$33,478.45

Judge Skocless – Allegan County District Court Judge presented the Board with a copy of the Allegan County Judicial Annual Report. There were 29,000 cases filed in District Court for 2007. 80% were traffic and criminal cases; 20% were civil infraction cases. Mortgage foreclosure cases in Allegan County have increased dramatically. Judge Skocless has taken court cases into school districts for sentencing only, especially cases that will get the attention of students. Judge Skocless talked in regards to sentences for different offenses such as drug/alcohol counseling, 6 month probation programs, domestic counseling, and mental health counseling.

Don Nagel reported for the Fennville Area Ambulance Board. No contract was received from AMR. The contract will call for a 6% increase per year. The deficit for the

department is now only \$18,000 due to more income/calls being reported for the Fennville department. The Fennville Area Ambulance Board will have an official audit done in October 2008. The last audit was done in 2001. There were only a few problems on the days the 58th Street Bridge was closed. AMR and Central Dispatch are looking at necessary address corrections.

Bernie McLeod reported for the Transfer Station. McLeod stated that the recycling usage has increased. There is need for another recycling dumpster at no additional fees for the townships. Manlius Township has already approved to have an additional dumpster. A motion made by Larsen, supported by McKellips, to approve to have an additional recycling dumpster at the Transfer Station. Motion carried.

Jackie Ladwein reported for the Fennville Area District Library. Ladwein presented the Board with the 2007 Annual Report.

In old business, the Clyde Township Board needed to address the license request for Fennville Recyclers. Randy Simmons presented the Board with a new set of plans for the auto salvage/recycling yard at 2315 53rd Street. A Class B (Used Vehicle Dealer) and Class C (Used Vehicle Parts Dealer) license was requested by Simmons. There was previous discussion of the R (Automotive Recycler) license. The property purchased previously had a Class B and Class C license. Giles explained that Class B and Class C license would mean cars in and cars out. The township attorney previously approved of allowing the Class B and Class C license as grand fathered in with the property. There will be a meeting of the Clyde Township Planning Commission on January 16th to discuss a special use permit for a large scale to be used on the property. A motion made by McLeod, supported by McKellips, to grant a Class B and Class C license to Fennville Recyclers at 2315 53rd Street. Motion carried.

No further business. A motion made by McLeod, supported by Larsen, we adjourn.
Time: 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris McKellips,
Clyde Township Clerk