

Approved minutes of the Clyde Township Board Meeting – January 12, 2011.

The regular monthly meeting of the Clyde Township Board was held at the Township Hall on Wednesday, January 12, 2011. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Audience: Dean Kapenga, Mark McKellips, and Don Nagel.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call: Members present – Tom Giles, Bob Larsen, Bernie McLeod, Chris McKellips, and Cathy Ptak. All members present.

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

Correspondence: Supervisor Giles presented a letter from the Allegan County Equalization Department that he would like to discuss later.

The Treasurer's Report was read. A motion by Larsen, supported by McLeod, 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 by McLeod, supported by McKellips, that we pay the bills as presented. Roll call vote – all yea's. Motion carried.

Checks 8259 – 8323 Total Disbursements: \$ 50,594.92

Allegan County Commissioner, Dean Kapenga stated the Allegan County Health Department has a new head start; there is a new master plan, maps, and 60 miles of improved equestrian trails. There are many organizational accomplishments such as the New Richmond Bridge and the hatching of sturgeon eggs to repopulate the river. The animal shelter has a new efficient facility which is able to provide more placements for animals, micro chips and immunizations. Kapenga still has plans for a new jail which will be partially funded with delinquent taxes. The jail is a dangerous liability. A new jail could possibly house up to 300 inmates as opposed to the present capacity of 170 and will have more parking available.

Mark McKellips of the Cemetery Board reported 9 burials and 5 lots have been sold.

Don Nagel of the Ambulance Board reported that the new contract should be arriving in the mail if it has not already. Nagel submitted a financial summary sheet. He is expecting everything to stay the same for next year with no pay increase. There is a need to generate more money. They have many more calls

with fewer transports. There is no charge for a call unless the patient is transported or given medications. Many people have no insurance but there is an offer if they pay with credit card they will receive a 25% reduction in their bill. People appreciate this and at least there is some payment made. At this time Nagel reports there are no deficit concerns. Lisa Schaefer, Secretary/Treasurer for the City of Fennville has accepted a new position at Holland Hospital. She will be missed.

Supervisor Giles addressed the letter he received from the Allegan County Equalization Department. As a result of the reduction of staff the service that provides phone queries for specific parcel information is now being requested of the Equalization Dept. All calls related to property, taxes, acreage, ownerships, etc. will now be directed to the appropriate units of government or the web site. Clyde Township has such a website for all questions: www.clydetownship.org – from our website there is a link directly to the County.

Tom Giles, Bernie McLeod, and Bob Larsen will attend a Road Commission Meeting at the County Building on January 20, 2011.

No further business. A motion by McLeod, supported by Larsen, we adjourn.
Time: 8:20 p.m.