

Approved minutes of the Clyde Township Board Meeting – July 8, 2009.

The regular monthly meeting of the Clyde Township Board was held at the Township Hall on Wednesday, July 8, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Audience: Glen Alderink, Sarah Bushee, Carolyn Churchill, Kelly Fleming, John Hollander, Mark McKellips, Rick 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 June Board meeting be approved as written. Motion carried.

Correspondence: The Board of Commissioners of the county of Allegan sent a copy of a new adopted resolution: **“The Allegan County Board of Commissioners proclaim the week of July 12-18, 2009 to be Road Rage Awareness Week.”**

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 7426 – 7487 Total Disbursements: \$ 51,595.80

Fire Chief, Rick McKellips reported that half the year is complete and they have had many calls with many incidents already. This is a busy year already but everything is going fine.

Mark McKellips reported from the Cemetery Board that they held their Clyde Township Cemetery Commission meeting on June 27, 2009. Since their last meeting the following issues were resolved: Leaves and brush that were against the fences were removed by members of the Fire Dept., the water pump was restored, and a new cemetery sign was ordered and installed to replace the old ones.

At the meeting on June 27 the following issues were addressed: The lawn is in need of mowing and there were a lot of branches lying around. The mailbox at the entrance that is used for the cemetery rules needs to be replaced. They are looking into an affordable way to display the cemetery rules where people can see them. There was a question about the stump by Jimenez’s stone, it needs to

be cut and buried. Next year the well house will need to be repainted. The trees that were planted a few years ago look good as do all the other trees. The fence looks good this year. The Spirit House remains and is to be left until it falls apart.

Don Nagel of the Ambulance Board reported that they had a meeting last month. AMR rates have been raised due to the bad economy in the State of MI. According to their Treasurer's report, their finances are ok at this time.

Bernie McLeod reported that recycling is very busy. He has a Transfer Station meeting on Thursday, July 9, 2009.

Fire Board Representative Glen Alderink reported that they called a special meeting July 7, 2009 and the FAFD Budget has been cleaned up. They are waiting for August bills as money has been set aside for those expenses. Fire Chief Winne is asking for a \$600 raise. There was discussion to approve the 2009-2010 budget and budget amendments. A motion by McKellips, supported by Larsen that we accept the Budget Amendments as submitted. Motion carried. A motion by Larsen, supported by McLeod that we accept \$51,040 not \$51,240 as the Clyde Township share of total expenses. Roll call vote—all yea's. Motion carried.

New Business: Due to Ordinance No. 51 not being published after being adopted in February, we will need to adopt this ordinance once again and have it published to become effective. A motion by McLeod, supported by McKellips that we adopt Ordinance No. 51 as written. Motion carried.

Chris McKellips, Treasurer would like to attend training in Bath, MI in July or August. A motion by Ptak, supported by Larsen that McKellips attend this training at a cost of \$195.00 plus mileage. Roll call vote—all yea's. Motion carried.

Bob Larsen is gathering information and attending meetings to obtain a Federal Grant to run a water pipeline to some Clyde Township residents to Fennville. Roughly 45% of expenses will be covered by this grant. Larsen is in the process of finding out who the property owners are that will be included in this area. To qualify, residents need to be of low to moderate income.

Public Comments: There was some discussion about Birds Eye Foods' responsibility to clean up the water contamination issues. This clean up and process will take time and technology.

No further business. A motion by Larsen, supported by McLeod, we adjourn.
Time: 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Ptak, Clyde Township Clerk

