

Approved Minutes of the Clyde Township Board Meeting – May 13, 2009

The regular monthly meeting of the Clyde Township Board was held at the Township Hall, Wednesday, May 13, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Audience: Rick McKellips, Carolyn Churchill, John Hollander, Tom Tucker, Ralph McMahon, John Lindahl, and Ramiro Reyes.

Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

Correspondence: None

The Treasurer's report was submitted.

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

Checks 7327 – 7378 Total Disbursements: \$ 23,039.97

Fire Chief – Rick McKellips reported the new truck is up and running. McKellips made a recommendation to refurbish the Fire Barn and Hall Signs.

A memo addressed to the Clyde Township Board was received from Tasha Smalley of Michigan Township Services regarding the Burning Ordinance. It was brought to their attention that the Burning Ordinance may need some updating. Tasha Smalley underlined items that she would like addressed. There was discussion with regard to updating the Burning Ordinance; such as the underlined items as to obtaining permits from the Allegan County Sheriff's Department. It was discussed that persons should call the Allegan County Dispatch number which is 686-6522 instead of the Allegan County Sheriff's Department.

Suggestions were also made to have wording made simpler and eliminate **91.005 Permits, special**. This Sec. 5 states that the Township Board of Clyde Township may grant permission to authorized persons for the burning of trash, rubbish, or similar waste material in open, supervised burning areas.

A township work order for construction or special maintenance on public roads was submitted by Supervisor Giles. The Township Supervisor and Clerk are to sign, date, and return (2) copies to the Road Commission for approval and

signature. An approved copy will be returned to the Township Board. This is the legal proof that the Township Board is in full compliance with the laws regarding contractual relations with the County Road Commission. Under provisions of the general highway laws and specifically Act No. 51 P.A. 1951 as amended, the following road work was authorized: 2009 Dust Control Program. Three applications of salt brine for dust control have been approved. We have no final price as of yet. Roll Call Vote to approve the road work as authorized with the Township Work Order for Construction or Special Maintenance on Public Roads Forms. Roll Call Vote – all yea's. Motion carried.

There was discussion to install a severe weather siren. The cost to install this siren system would be \$5,600 to install and \$215 per month to maintain. There was discussion and thoughts of this being old technology. There was discussion but no action taken at this time.

The Hutchins Lake Improvement Association presented the Board with a proposal to share the expense of purchasing four new marker buoys. The cost per buoy is \$93.00 not including shipping. If Clyde Township agrees a statement from the Hutchins Lake Improvement Association will be presented when final costs are known. Our share would be approximately \$253.87. A motion by Larsen, supported by McLeoe that we accept this proposal to share the expense of purchasing four new buoy markers. Motion carried.

Cathy Ptak, Clerk reported the School Election on May 5, 2009 went well. We had 118 total votes with 21 Absentee Votes and 97 in person votes.

There was some discussion about putting an informational sign by the Hutchins Lake boat launch on 59th Street. This sign could show shallow areas, no wake zones, and areas to watch out for. The south side boat launch is ok at this time.

There was a question asked if 123rd will be paved? Answer; not at this time due to cost.

The County has not gotten to all drains and ditches. The water table is high, there is water still spilling over the Hutchins Lake Dam since last year.

No further business. A motion by McLeod, supported by Larsen, we adjourn.
Time: 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Ptak,
Clyde Township Clerk

