

**Clyde Township Monthly Board Meeting
Clyde Township Hall
April 18, 2023**

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

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

Minutes from Timberline Public Hearing March 21, 2023

- Motion by Trustee DeShon support from Trustee Dortman to approve minutes of March 21, 2023. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Minutes from Monthly Meeting of March 21, 2023

- Motion by Trustee Voight support from Treasurer Compton to approve minutes of March 21, 2023 with correction. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

- ✓ Motion by Trustee DeShon support from Trustee Voight to approve Treasurer's report dated April 10, 2023 presented and subject to audit. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Bills:

- Motion by Trustee Dortman support from Trustee Compton to approve list of bills-pay in reference to list of bills dated April 18, 2023. General/\$71,064.07 Water Department \$942.14 total of \$72,006.21 monthly payroll \$37,236.61. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

- Motion by Clerk Turner support from Trustee DesShon to add to the agenda the invoice from Firecatt. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- Motion by Treasurer Compton support from Trustee DeShon to add to the agenda DTE streetlights, Rabidue Road along with the Timberline budget. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Public comment:

Larry Stones of Rynn Road had concerns about Mid-Michigan sucking his well dry by digging up a lot of sand. He reported that Mid-Michigan has three ponds out there. Supervisor Manoleas stated that he will contact them to see what is going on.

Reports:

Report from Building Department-Rod Cowan/Report on file.

Report from the Ordinance Officer-Bonnie DeShon/Report on file.

Report from the Fire Department- Chief Dortman/Report received and on file.

Report from the Planning Commission- Mike McGriff/Report on file. Nick Weaver and Stephen Sullivan need a Master Plan book.

Report of Parks and Recreation Committee-Sherry Beiser Walter/Easter Egg Hunt went well. An Eagle Scout is looking at doing a job for the Committee replacing boards on the bleachers out at Bill Bearss Park along with the concession stand. The Committee has been approached about using the ball fields at Bill Bearss Park. Soccer is starting, and work is planned on the Pavilion at the Township Park.

Report from the Cemetery Advisory Committee-Franz Neruda/
Few more trees out, need a crane for a tree, grave blankets have been cleaned up, starting to cut grass.

Correspondence: None

OLD UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

DRAINS AT LARGE (CLERK TURNER)

- Motion by Supervisor Manoleas support from Trustee DeShon to pay the invoice from the County of the drains at large in the amount of \$7,692.04. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

PA116 STEIN (CLERK TURNER)

- Motion by Trustee Neruda support from Trustee DeShon to approve the application for PA116 Stein. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT CEILING PROJECT (TRUSTEE DORTMAN)

- Motion by Trustee Dortman support from Trustee DeShon to approve the quote from Salski Construction for the ceiling at the Fire Department in the amount of \$7,522,00. Yeas: 6 Nays: 1 Motion carried.

RADIO READ METERS

- Motion by Trustee Deshon support from Trustee Neruda to have the attorney send a letter on behalf of the Township to the 22 remaining

residents that need to change over to the radio read meters. Yeas: 7
Nays: 0 Motion carried.

INCREASE PERMIT FEES

Discussion held.

- Motion by Supervisor Manoleas support from Trustee Neruda to increase mechanical and plumbing application and inspection fees by \$10.00, as reflected by the request of the inspector. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Request as follows: Application fee is \$50.00 change to \$60.00
Special/Safety inspection is \$50.00 change to \$60.00
Rough/additional inspection is \$50.00 change to \$60.00
Final inspection is \$50.00 change to \$60.00

This will be for both Plumbing and Mechanical permits,

COUNTY ARPA (SUPERVISOR MANOLEAS)

Discussion. Anything over a \$5,000.00 price tag needs three quotes.

- Motion by Trustee Dortman support from Trustee Neruda to continue with the list of four items to use the County ARPA Funds (1. Recreation Department, 2. Digitized records, 3. DPW building get proposal on cost, 4. Server). Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

WATER REALIBILITY STUDY (SUPERVISOR MANOLEAS)

Discussion held.

- Motion by Supervisor Manoleas support from Trustee Dortman to hire Spicer Group to do the Reliability Study, up to \$15,000.00. Yeas: 6
Nays: 1 Motion carried.

DPW BUILDING PROPOSAL (SUPERVISOR MANOLEAS)

It was discussed to use the County ARPA Funds for this expenditure.

- Motion by Trustee Neruda support from Trustee Dortman to agree to 1, 2, & 3 of the proposal of the DPW building along with the fire bay from Spicer Group up to \$4,700.00, use Contingency Fund for payment.
Yeas: 6 Nays: 1 Motion carried.

SERVER (SUPERVISOR MANOLEAS)

- Motion by Treasurer Compton support from Supervisor Manoleas to update the server not to exceed \$25,000.00 with Hi-Tech. Yeas: 5 Nays: 2 Motion carried.

Discussion about using the General Fund to pay for this expenditure.

SPONGY MOTH LEWTTER OF COMMITMENT (SUPERVISOR MANOLEAS)

- Motion by Trustee Dortman support from Supervisor Manoleas to sign letter of commitment with the County for the Spongy moth program. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

26 MILE ROAD ARPA FUNDING (SUPERVISOR MANOLEAS)

Discussion about how the County has extra money that they want to spend on the 26 Mile Road Project down in Ira Township. Discussed that other Townships are sending letters to voice their opposition on how this money is being spent in one area.

- Motion by Supervisor Manoleas support from Trustee DeShon to create a letter opposing the 26 Mile Road Project plus disbursing this money in a better way for the County. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

NEWSLETTER (TRUSTEE DESHON)

Discussed the possibility of getting the Township Newsletter up and running again. Trustee DeShon brought up this topic, in order to keep the Township residents informed. Not everybody is on the Website. Clerk Turner mentioned that she has asked for information but with no response. So, it was agreed that Clerk Turner will get information in two weeks to get a Newsletter going again. She also mentioned that generally a Newsletter would go out in April and October.

SUMMER HIRE (TRUSTEE NERUDA)

- Motion by Trustee Neruda support from Trustee DeShon to re-hire Austin Fetterly at the same rate of pay as last year, starting May 1, 2023. Yeas: 4 Nays: 3 Motion carried.

TIMBERLINE/BUDGET (TREASURER COMPTON)

Discussion on the list that was prepared by Stacey and Treasurer Compton, using AARPA Funds by transferring these funds from the Investment account 101-000.000-003.007 to General Revenue account 101-000.000-501.000 to cover the Timberline expenditure of \$100,000.00 Rabidue Road \$39,705.22 and DTE streetlights change out to LEDs \$19,045.00.

- Motion by Treasurer Compton support from Clerk Turner to approve the list to make transfers in the amount of \$158,750.22 using Federal ARPA Funds by the 30th of April. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

WORK ORDERS FROM ROAD COMMISSION (CLERK TURNER)

- Motion by Supervisor Manoleas support from Trustee Neruda to approve work order for failed crossroad culverts approved by the Supervisor. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- Motion by Supervisor Manoleas support from Trustee DeShon to approve

work order for 62 loads of 22-A limestone in the amount \$79,657.60.
Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

- Motion by Supervisor Manoleas support from Trustee Neruda to approve work order for 70/30 match for 18 loads of 22-A limestone in the amount of \$6,937.92. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- Motion by Supervisor Manoleas support from Trustee Voight to approve work order for 2 applications (192,000 gallons) calcium chloride for various roads in the amount of \$47,500.00. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

DPW EMPLOYEE (SUPERVISOR MANOLEAS)

Discussion about going into Close Session. This was at 8:24 p.m.

Comment from Michele Dedoe asking why the Board was going into Closed Session? Discussion.

- Motion by Trustee Neruda support from Treasurer Compton to go into Closed Session. Yeas: 3 Nays: 4 Motion denied.

Supervisor Manoleas announced a five-minute recess.

ADDED AGENDA ITEM INVOICE FROM FIRECATT (CLERK TURNER)

- Motion by Trustee DeShon support from Treasurer Compton to approve payment to Firecatt for the annual fire hose testing in the amount of \$2,000.60. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

DPW EMPLOYEE (SUPERVISOR MANOLEAS)

Supervisor Manoleas announced to the Board that the DPW head (Drew Saunders) has an option to go elsewhere. The Supervisor asked him what the Township could do to keep him here? Reply was to increase his pay by \$2.00, get on call pay, and three weeks of vacation.

Supervisor Manoleas wanted to hear the Board's thoughts.

Treasurer Compton stated let him go because he is already looking for a different job, plus he has worked for the Township for six months.

Clerk Turner stated that according to the contract of Union 324 an employee has to work five years in order to get three weeks of vacation. She believes that the contract should be followed. Discussion.

- Motion by Trustee Dortman support from Treasurer Compton that the Board chooses not to offer additional incentives to DPW employee (Drew Saunders)

Roll Call Vote: Neruda/yes, DeShon/yes, Manoleas/no, Compton/yes, Voight/yes, Dortman/yes and Turner/yes. Motion carried.

Supervisor Manoleas will talk with DPW employee tomorrow.

TIDBITS

Trustee DeShon inquired about people not picking up tree limbs from storm.

SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT

Debbie Manoleas inquired about the Board having the option to hire someone that would not have to be in the contract. Supervisor replied yes that is correct.

Chuck Raski commented that he thanks the Board for not going into Close Session. Also mentioned that 26 Mile Road Project and Commissioner Simasko.

Mike McGriff had comments on the Close Session vote and also about the calcium chloride on Rabidue Road.

Bill Dedoe had comments on supplying competitive wages for the most recent water person. He was on call with no pay. Cemetery question about the flags.

Josh Hosilet had some Hi-Tech questions.

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
by Kathleen Turner, Clerk

Approved by Ernie Manoleas
Supervisor