

CLEMENT TOWNSHIP
1497 EAST M30
ALGER, MI 48610
REGULAR BOARD MINUTES
June 11, 2025

CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. The pledge to the flag was recited.

Roll call: Eric House, Charles Sikora, Carolyn Ochab, Albert Lee, Kim Davis, all Present; Kim Davis

SUPERVISOR COMMENTS: -ARPA and FOIA updates

- Michigan Dept. of Treasury State and Local Recovery Funds as part of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds of approx. \$94 thousand was threatened to require repayment due to non-submission of compliance reporting by prior administration. Fortunately, there was a grace period for reporting that we were able to meet. The report has been submitted and accepted.
- The FOIA policy that was adopted at the May meeting is in place and being followed. Had we adopted this policy at the April meeting a savings of at least \$3,300 in legal fees and nearly \$2,000 for the FOIA request would have been realized by the Township.
- Congressman Moolenaar was able to secure an \$137,000 appropriation for the Township Community Center in the House version of the bill. (Kim Davis said we should all congratulate Charles Sikora for his effort to make this happen.)

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: Albert Lee request to add an agenda item to fund the review and update of the Master Plan and Recreation Plan.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular Board Meeting May 14, 2025

Motion by Albert Lee, and supported by Carolyn Ochab, to approve the regular meeting minutes for May, 2025. All ayes, motion carried

TREASURERS REPORT: Carolyn Ochab – May 2025 report

Motion by Kim Davis, and supported by Albert Lee, to approve the Treasurers Report for May 2025. All ayes, motion carried

GUESTS:

Gladwin County Commissioner – Mike Visnaw

- County is working on next year's Budget
- The Grant used for Marine Patrol was discontinued, the County is seeking Township contribution to make up for the lost funding in the amount of \$7,000 to \$8,000.
- Kim Davis question FLTF's increase of 1% to make up for additional financing costs. Mike stated the County gave authority to the Four Lakes Task Force. Mike will talk to FLTF about this issue.

REPORTS

Zoning Administrator: Gary Graunstadt – 0 - Land Use Permits since the last meeting

Fire Chief: Fred Bellinger – Absent - Report submitted and reviewed

Fire/hazard 3, Rescue/Medical 9, Mutual Aid Given 7, Mutual Aid Received 3,

Assessor: Corrie Cuddie – Tax Bills – July 1st (Call Township office with any questions)

The Assessor property sampling for annual visits will start with Mohawk Trail about July 1st.

Blight: Robert Plotke –

- Pineway – totally cleaned – will send release letter
- East Shore – making progress
- Oak Street – still a problem, waiting for Court Date

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Approve** Gladwin County Equalization Dept. Option #2 Partial Services, \$1.75 per parcel.
Motion by Charles Sikora, and supported by Carolyn Ochab, to approve Gladwin County Equalization Dept. Option #2 Partial services, \$1.75 per parcel. All ayes, motion carried
2. **Approve** Michigan Townships Association Annual dues & legal defense fund for 7/1/25 – 6/30/26 in the amount of \$1,362.46. (\$100 more than last year)
Motion by Eric House, and supported by Albert Lee, to approve Michigan Townships Association Annual; legal defense fund for 7/1/25 – 6/30/26 in the amount of \$1,362.46.
All ayes, motion carried
3. Approve Electronic Sign purchase for \$39,534.80 (5'9.5" x 10'9.5" 2 sided LED digital sign) installation will require separate cost and approval.
Motion by Charles Sikora, and supported by Albert Lee, to approve Electronic Sign purchase for \$39,534.80. All Ayes, motion carried.
4. Approve Revised Grant Request form. Policy 03-2025
Motion by Charles Sikora, and supported by Kim Davis, to approve Revised Grant Request form. Policy 03-2025 All Ayes, motion carried.
5. Approve Parcel Combination requested by Layla J. Abro of parcels 070-060-000-038-00 and 070-060-000-039-00.
Motion by Eric House, and supported by Kim Davis, to approve Parcel Combination requested by Layla J. Abro of parcels 070-060-000-038-00 and 070-060-000-039-00.
All Ayes, motion carried.
6. Approve Volunteer Fire Capacity Grant Program. (Quotes for 4 VHF radios are only good for 15 days) Fire Department DNR Grant is a 50/50 matching grant with a combined limit of \$9,999. Fire Department hopes to get 4 radios for \$3,000 In Fire Department Funds.
Motion by Eric House, and supported by Albert Lee, to approve Volunteer Fire Capacity Grant Program. All Ayes, motion carried.
7. Albert explained the Planning Commission's (all new members other than Albert) reasons for wanting to do a full review of the Master Plan and the Recreation Plan for the Township with the help of a Consultant. (Cost may go as high as \$26,000) Mike Visnaw will provide Charles Sikora with information on available Grants.
Motion by Eric House, and supported by Albert Lee, to authorize the Planning Commission to find and acquire a consultant to help them with their review and updates to the Township Master Plan and Recreation Plans. All Ayes, motion carried

TRANSFERS:

Motion by Eric House, and supported by Albert Lee, to approve the Budget Transfers.

All ayes, motion carried

BUDGET AMENDMENTS: (This Budget Amendment was necessitated by the motion passed on New Business item # 7 in tonight meeting.)

Motion by Eric House, and supported by Charles Sikora, to approve the Budget Transfer to adjust the General Fund Budget, Cost Center – Planning Commission, for Professional Services by the amount of \$26,000. All ayes, motion carried

APPROVAL OF Bank Register:

Motion by Carolyn Ochab, and supported by Albert Lee, to approve the expenses on the

May 2025 Bank Register.

All ayes, motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS –

- Question – How is service extended for Natural Gas? (Bowmanville Road) – Charles Sikora will research
- Mosquito Control – over 50% of the Township is State Land (not eligible to be sprayed)
- Tittabawassee River Weed Spraying – some areas are not being reached by PLM – Charles Sikora will inquire

Next Regular Meeting: July 9th, 2025

Public Present 14

Motion to Adjourn by Charles Sikora, supported by Albert Lee

All Ayes, motion carried.