

CLEARWATER TOWNSHIP
MINUTES
June 10, 2019 **APPROVED**

The regular meeting & Public hearing for the Town of Clearwater was called to order by Bill Langenbacher at 7:30 p.m. on Monday June 10, 2019 at the Clearwater Town Hall.

Board Members present: Chairman Bill Langenbacher, Supervisor Rose Thelen, Supervisor Scott Miller, Clerk Jean Just, Treasurer Cassie Kenning

Visitors as signed in: John Notsch, Jim Lee, Sharon Lee, Ron Schabel, Ron Jaeger, Erik Achman, Gary Porter, John & Marlee Grady, Dan Mol, Jacquelynn Mol Sletten

After reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, Miller made a motion to approve the agenda. Thelen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Thelen made a motion to approve the Regular Mtg. minutes of May 13 2019. Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Cassie Kenning read the Treasurer's report for May 31, 2019. Miller made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Thelen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

GUEST/PUBLIC COMMENT
NONE

REGULAR AGENDA:

Gary Porter & Erik Achman – Drainage Issue

Porter & Achman approached the Board about an issue on their property with standing water. The issue started about three years ago and continues to get worse. Porter's property is a vacant lot which due to the water the value has gone considerably. Achman who has the lot next door with a house has concerns for his septic and foundation. Pictures were shown to the board showing the standing water near the home. Langenbacher said that it seems the only outlet is through a meandering swamp. It seems as if someone may have raised the land through there, not allowing the water to run. If that is the case the Township does not have the authority to regulate what happens on private property. Langenbacher offered to help them work with the DNR to see if there was something they could do. Thelen suggested they talk with Clearwater Watershed District & Wright County Soil & Water.

John Grady & Dan Gerads: 17371 Cty Rd 75 – lot line adj & lot split

Grady & Gerads approached the board asking for a CUP to allow an adjustment of division line between two lots approved in 2013. Gerads indicated some of their property is on the other lot and it was not realized until after the fact. The lot line adjustment would fix that. Miller made a motion to recommend approval of the lot line adjustment as long as all the structure setbacks will still be met. Thelen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The second request is for a CUP to allow a two-lot unplatted subdivision. Grady indicated that he would like to split the approx. 26 acres into two lots, one being approx. 12 acres, the other being 14 acres. Miller asked about the driveway and if they have talked with the County Highway Department. Grady indicated he had talked with the highway department and they would be looking at using a shared access to the county

road. Thelen made a motion to recommend the approval of the lot split. Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Notice of intent to amend the Wright County Code of Ordinances

Wright County has received a request to amend the Farm Accessory Mobil Home to include language that allows conversion of an accessory structure into habitable living space as a temporary residence by a farm employee. Miller raised concerns about septic's, how many units would be allowed and how you they handle the removal once it was no longer housed by farm help? Dan Mol indicated they would still have to meet all septic requirements and it would have to inspect to meet codes.

The board was generally in favor, however, they have some concerns how the final ordinance would read to ensure that there will not be any septic issues and how to remove the living space once it is not occupied.

Application for a 1-4 day liq license at Rodeo Grounds

Thelen made a motion to approve the 1-4 day liq license for the American Legion for their July 20th, 2019 event. Miller seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

OAA Agreement Review

The board discussed the OAA agreement. Miller raised some concern regarding the trigger for Annexation. One is if one of the commercial sites that already has a building wanted to add on to their building and a septic tank had to be moved, would that trigger annexation and the other is the one vacant land that is zoned commercial. If they now decided to build would that trigger Annexation? Clerk Just will check with our Attorney and the board know. We are on target for the June 24th public hearing.

Update on 150th Street project

Contractor is scheduled to get started the first week of July.

Correspondence /Meeting Reminders

- Spring Clean-Up results: 141 participants, collected 92 appliances, 73 electronics, 23 mattresses, 33 pieces of stuffed furniture, 183 tires and five dumpsters of junk.
- Public Hearing on OAA, 6/24/2019, 7pm @ Clearwater Township Hall
- Couri & Ruppe Legal Seminar: June 13, 2019 Bill & Rose attending

ROAD MAINTENANCE REPORT- MIKE LUDENIA

Mike has been doing some grading & graveling of roads. Central applicators will be spraying for Parsnip. Chloride will be done after graveling has been done.

Review of Bills: A motion was made by Miller and seconded by Thelen to pay claims covered by checks #10419-10443 and eft 061019, eft 061019e, eft 061019f, eft 061019p. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

With no further business to come before the board, Miller moved to adjourn Thelen seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.



Jean Just, Clerk



Bill Langenbacher, Chair

Date 7/8/19