

**Clearwater Township
Regular Board Meeting (Approved)
March 12, 2018**

The regular meeting & Public hearing for the Town of Clearwater was called to order by Bill Langenbacher at 7:30 p.m. on Monday March 12, 2018 at the Clearwater Town Hall.

Board Members present: Chairman Bill Langenbacher, Supervisor Rose Thelen, Supervisor Scott Miller, Treasurer Jon Bigalk and Clerk Jean Just.

Visitors as signed in: John Notsch, Jim Lee, Sharon Lee, Ron Schabel, Carol Halvorson

After reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, Thelen made a motion to approve the agenda for March 12, 2018, Langenbacher seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Thelen made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of February 12, 2018. Langenbacher seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Langenbacher made a motion to approve the audit Meeting minutes of January 22, 2018. Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Jon Bigalk read the Treasurer's report for February 28, 2018. Miller made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Thelen seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Guest/Public Comment: None

Carol Halvorson – Request to rezone (9201 140th Street)

Carol Halvorson appeared before the board to request rezoning from general AG to Ag/Residential and a CUP for an unplatted four-lot subdivision. Halvorson presented a survey on how the four lots would split. Halvorson indicated that the property across the street is already split into 10 acre lots and the property is in the land use plan for AG/Res. Langenbacher indicated he liked the way she is proposing the split. Thelen made a motion to approve the rezone from AG to A/R & the CUP for an unplatted four-lot subdivision. Miller seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

150th Street NW – Update on road improvement application

Langenbacher indicated that we were not approved for funds from the state for the 150th Street road project.

Recycling Update – change from Waste Management to Randys

New recycling bins will be delivered from Randy's the week of March 29th and the Waste Management will be picking up on March 23rd. There have been a few call and we are anticipating having to go pick up Waste Management bins as people come back for the summer.

Fire Contract - Update

Fire contract is increasing \$15,109 which is a 25.5% increase. Current levy is at \$59,000. A special meeting was held with Lynden Township and with the City to discuss where the numbers were coming from. Langenbacher indicated that we did ask if the city would agree to a 10% increase, however, the city council has not met to discuss yet. Miller stated that he wondered if there was an increase in the # of calls. He understands that the trucks needed to be updated and that they need to meet certain standards. Thelen stated that we thought they were putting money away in a capital improvement fund that would help pay for new equipment. Langenbacher would like to meet with them and see about a revision to the contract. Miller indicated that the Fire Chief should be coming to us with numbers so that it could be planned for, it seems like they are just forcing us to pay what they want. Everyone agreed that the service they provide is good. The board felt that the city should be involving us in the process earlier and they our options are to either cancel/amend or accept the contract. The board agreed that the recommendation would be a 10% increase.

Driveway Ordinance - discussion

Langenbacher asked if we could look at doing a driveway ordinance. We currently do not have one and he would recommend that we come up with something that indicates who is responsible for the driveway itself and the culvert if there is one. Ludenia indicated that we could then have a say in the size of the culvert and prevent some that are too small from being put in. Langenbacher indicated he would get some information and bring it to the next meeting.

Orderly Annexation Agreement - update

Received a draft OAA and have sent it to the Township Attorney & Wright County to review.

Correspondence/Important Dates

- **Annual Meeting is March 13th, 2018.**
- Spring Short Course March 27th, 2018
- Legal Short Course April 19 2018
- Central Applicators Letter
- Wright County township Officers Meeting – April 5th @ 7:30pm
- **2018 Local Board of Appeal & Equalization Meeting April 10th @ 7pm.**

ROAD MAINTENANCE REPORT- MIKE LUDENIA

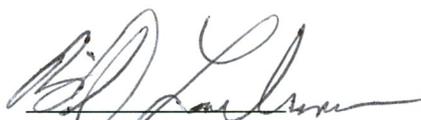
*Culverts; Ludenia indicated they have had issues with culvers freezing and not knowing where they are. Ludenia indicated that he would be doing a survey of all the culverts during the spring and summer months and marking them so that we do not run into issues in the future. Some of the issues come from the ends getting run over and some are 12” which should have been 15”. He will look at putting extensions on those that need them this year.

*Rays Addition Road project: Ludenia indicated that there will be some issues with mail boxes when we go in there to chip seal. Wondering if we need to go in and replace them and how do we go about doing that. The board asked how many and what the cost is for each post, Ludenia thought about 30 of them at around \$50 just for the post and then his time to put them in. The board tabled until the April meeting so that they could get an idea on cost and how many mailboxes are needed.

Review of Bills: A motion was made by Thelen and seconded by Miller to pay claims covered by checks #10084-10100 and eft 031218, eft 031218e, eft 031218f, eft 031218p 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 9:02 pm.


Jean Just, Clerk


Bill Langenbacher, Chair

Date 4/9/18