

**Clearwater Township
Regular Board Meeting (Approved)
October 17, 2016**

The regular meeting & Public hearing for the Town of Clearwater was called to order by Dan Mol at 7:30 p.m. on Monday October 17, 2016 at the Clearwater Town Hall.

Board Members present: Chairman Dan Mol, Supervisor Bill Langenbacher, Supervisor Scott Miller, Treasurer Kristin Helwig, and Deputy Clerk Sharon Lee.

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

After reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, Langenbacher made a motion to approve the agenda as presented and the reg. meeting minutes of September 12, 2016 with corrections. Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Kristin Helwig read the Treasurer's report for September 30, 2016. Langenbacher made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Guest/Public Comment: None

Update from Quarterly Meeting on October 6th

No one attended

Amendments to the Wright county Ordinance; Review/comments

Mol mentioned that the Solar Farm one will be coming up on Thursday night. There is another one that was just talked about regarding feed lots that was changed to allow 30 chickens on some smaller lots that were not previously allowed and to allow for ½ animal units on smaller lots 3-4 acres can have a horse. The feedlot one has already been passed.

The Solar Farm one is updating and adding to the Ordinance. They have been working on this for some time. Langenbacher questioned the difference between the solar farm vs system. One is more residential the farms are more acreage. Miller questioned the decommission of these farms, Mol indicated that they will require a decommission plan. The board had no additional comments to send to Wright County.

2017 Open Book Meeting Option for LBAE meetings

Wright County is offering Open Book Meeting option in lieu of the formal Local Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting. Langenbacher indicated that some of the advantage is that in the 4 LBAE meetings I've attended only one person has shown up and there is time and money spent by the township to have the meetings here. Miller did not like the idea that we are bypassing the township. Langenbacher agreed that some may feel more comfortable coming to the Township. Mol indicated that there were times that we have made changes to their tax value. Lee indicated that if you change it now to go to Open Book Meeting you can change it back. Mol stated maybe we could leave it for now and possibly talk about it at the annual meeting. The board agreed that for now they will leave it at the township.

Correspondence/Important Dates

ROAD MAINTENANCE REPORT- MIKE LUDENIA

- *Clean ditch on Grover/ By Mathison hill has slid down and need to get the water flowing to culvert
- *Patching done on 140th & Hart seal coating areas
- *Brush cutting

*We have the engineers report for the projects – we had an issue on 150th Street where it started to cave in so if we are looking at just picking one I think that would be the one we should get done. Not sure how much fill we will need depends on how much will sink in the muck. Miller indicated that he felt the cost of engineering is high for a small area; can't we do that on our own? Ludenia indicated that when we have to deal with the Army Coops for wetland area they will only accept engineered report. If it was not a wetland area we would not have to go through an engineer. Langenbacher indicated he will get a break down from Hakanson Anderson.

*Mike mentioned if we are thinking of doing chip sealing Rays Addition there are three to four spots that will need in slopes and we should look at getting started on those.

Review of Bills: A motion was made by Langenbacher and seconded by Miller to pay claims covered by checks #9729-9748 and eft 101716, eft 101716e, eft 101716f, eft 101716p,. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

With no further business to come before the board, Miller moved to adjourn Langenbacher seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 pm.



Sharon Lee, Deputy Clerk



Dan Mol, Chair

Date 11/14/16