

CLEARWATER TOWNSHIP  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
June 16, 2020 ~~UN~~**APPROVED**

Langenbacher called the meeting to order @ 8:00 P.M June 16, 2020.

Board members present: Chairman Bill Langenbacher, Supervisor Scott Miller, Supervisor Rose Thelen, Clerk Jean Just, and Treasurer Cassy Kenning

Guests signed in: Sharon Lee, Jim Lee, John Notsch, RON Jaeger, Elaine Penmen, Ron & Debbie Schabel, Vicki Anderson, Chuck Derry, Wally Westerberg, Blayne & Penny Leuthard, Rita & Gary Betzler, Loretta & Lawrence Schut, Linda Wentte, Wayne Weisman, Tom Bihl

Langenbacher stated that they will start the special meeting with the approximately 400ft x 75ft Bog on Nixon Lake that has lodged in front of the Township Boat Landing. There are quotes that have been received and we have the following options:

- 1) Received a quote for \$500 per hr for 3 trucks and a back hoe with boom extension to pull out the bog and haul it away to a location on Huber Ave
- 2) Another one was for \$325/hr with 2 trucks & back hoe no boom extension
- 3) Another one was a rough estimate of \$15,900 to remove the entire bog

Langenbacher indicated that the township cannot afford to do the entire bog, we could possible take out just what is in front of the landing and then anchor the rest, another idea is we could move it to another location.

Miller felt that moving it a location that was not in front of a landowner and anchoring would be a good solution. There is concern regarding muck that will be created in removing the bog.

Thelen stated there is the issue of the bog staying where it relocated and having the issue come up again at a later date.

Many residences were in attendance and felt that the township should do something since the landing is owned by the township. Discussion regarding the cost, where to locate it if moved, if the bog would stay in one location were discussed. Other concerns were the beach area, how it could damage the landing area and the access Lawrence Schut's property.

With many uncertainties the town board did not feel like they could spend the amount of money to remove the entire bog. Both DNR & Wright County Soil & Water indicated that moving it would be the most cost effective approach.

Langenbacher made a motion to spend \$3500 with Mares Excavating to remove as much as that can at that price. Township will move the bog after is dry. Miller seconded the motion. Additional discussion regarding what to do if all of it is not removed, board stated that with all the unknowns they are only willing to spend \$3500. Motion passed unanimously.

➤ Fire Contract Information

City of Clearwater has sent over a signed Contract using the option that Rose Thelen came up with at the last joint meeting. With not a lot of time to review the board would like to wait to discuss a the town board meeting on July 6<sup>th</sup>.

Miller moved to adjourn Thelen seconded the motion. Motion carried by a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

  
Jean Just, Clerk

  
Bill Langenbacher, Chair

Date 7/6/2020