

**Regular Meeting of the Township Board  
Tuesday, June 8, 2021  
Cleveland Township**

Supervisor, Tim Stein, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Present on roll call were, Tim Stein, Todd Nowak, Jan Nowak, Angie Diotte, & Tanelle Budd. Present from the public were Nello Valentine & Eric Carlson.

**Motion by Jan Nowak and seconded Angie Diotte to approve May 11, 2021 Minutes. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

**Public Comment on Agenda- None**

**Supervisor's Report** – Bohemian Rd (669) through M22 to the water has been repaved by Elmer's. They did it all in one day and it has turned out really nice.

**Clerk Report** – Currently working on applications for the next Special Election for Leland on August 4, 2021. Waiting on ballots to come in to send out for AV ballots. Will be reaching out Election Inspectors to see who can work.

Reaching out to payroll companies now that the extended tax deadline has passed. Many of them were too busy. Hoping to have quotes soon.

Wondered why the township doesn't have a debit or credit card. Jan worries that we are putting the township at risk for fraud. Explained that a debit card is safer than a check matriculating with our entire account information. A debit/credit card is watched closer and easily refunded when fraud is involved, plus Angie can sign up for alerts every time it's used. Angie is going to reach out to Huntington and MTA to see how they handle non check transactions and to see what is the best fit for our township and it's needs.

**Treasurer's Report – May 31, 2021**

Revenue	\$ 41,423.75
Disbursements	\$ 68,883.39
Bank Balance	\$ 407,871.40

**Motion by Todd Nowak and seconded Jan Nowak to approve May 31, 2021 Treasurers Report. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

**Planning Commission Report –Todd Nowak:** Still working on 4:27 Water shed protection draft, which is an ongoing project. They are working off the original master plan from Glen Arbor.

**Zoning Administrator’s Report – Nello Valentine-** He’s been doing the job over the past year and the permits seem generally the same volume. The phone call volume has increased more than normal. Fire Chief Andy volunteered to go and look at a property to see how the Fire Department would respond to such a steep winding driveway. The owner is from Texas and wanted to make sure there was proper hydrants in case of a fire, so Andy came out to have a look. Seigal’s moved a shed out by M22 and per ZBA, they put a drainage system around it and they did a nice job. Talked to Tony Zywicki and will meet on Friday, with a survey to hopefully get their issues worked out.

**Zoning Board of Appeals Report – None**

**Maintenance Report –** One the 15<sup>th</sup> the hall will be sprayed for insects and all the spiders. Fire Risk Assessment will be done by the Fire Department. Might be getting a lockbox so the fireman can get in.

**Assessor Report –** July BOR meeting.

**Other members – None**

**Old Business –**

**Review/Update Cedar Area Fire and Rescue – Rick Royston:** Not present. Sent report out to the board. Proposing to move ahead for a fire hall on the Cleveland Township/Kasson Township border. The current location is for four townships, and a secondary department will help with action time and the building in Cedar isn’t as efficient as they need it to be. These are all future conversation; idea is the primary department would be out on the Cleveland/Kasson border, and the Cedar location would be the secondary.

**Update on SBHT Design and Easement Progress-** A couple of meetings over the past 3 weeks. They were brought back the OMH engineer, to do the design work. We have to take into consideration the easements on private property. MDOT would handle the trail on M22. Tentative agreements between residents, due to how the trail would be developed. No easements or signatures on agreements yet. They are meeting again on the 11<sup>th</sup>, with more variables to take into consideration.

**New Business –**

- a.) **Discuss ARPA Webinar Scheduled for June 8, 2021 at 3pm-** we are not the only people who do not know what is going on with the money. Going to look into getting supplies for funds. How can we spend the money? Fire Emergency services or a broadband effort with the county. It would nice if we could use it to provide for some of the infrastructure for a new fire hall, if Kasson joined with us. Nothing that has to be done immediately, we have until 2024. We have to apply through the county who applies through the state.
  
- b.) **Consideration for motion to approve the appointment of Travis Stein to the Township Planning Commission-** Travis has a lot to offer, he's in agriculture, previous experience, and in the building trade. Tanelle will call Travis to get him sworn in once approved.

**Motion by Todd Nowak and seconded Tanelle Budd to approve appointment of Travis Stein to the Township Planning Commission. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0. Motion Carried.**

**c.) Payment of Bills-**

**Motion by Jan Nowak and seconded Angie Diotte to approve payment of bills for June 8, 2021. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0. Motion Carried.**

**Correspondence – None**

**Public forum – Eric Carlson:** check with MTA on how they feel about a debit/credit card.

**Nello-** Appreciated Tim's work on giving the public their voice to discuss pro's and con's of the trail. The abandoned house next door to the hall might be used for a rest stop. Traffic issues might be a problem. Might want to bring up to the National Park service the traffic issues and keeping the main rest stop at the intersection of Bohemians and M22, for safety purposes.

**Todd Nowak-** while getting the water started he also had 3 bags of garbage that he took. We might want to have trash picked up. Tim is going to call American Waste.

**Motion by Todd Nowak and seconded by Jan Nowak to adjourn meeting at 7:41  
Ayes: 5, Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

Tanelle Budd, Clerk

Approved by Tim Stein, Supervisor