

CHERRY TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 4, 2024

The regular meeting of the Cherry Township Supervisors was held on June 4, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Municipal Building. Those in attendance were Mr. William Smith, Mr. David Mishler, Mr. Gary Blausner, and Mrs. Carolyn Yeager. Two residents were present. Mr. Smith called the meeting to order at 6:59 p.m.

The minutes of the May 7, 2024 meeting were reviewed. Mr. Mishler noted that Mr. Smith asked the question about holding Collin Fantaskey's last check for \$700.00 until he turns over the paperwork that he is holding that is due to the Township. Mrs. Yeager will correct the name from Mr. Mishler to Mr. Smith in the May 7 minutes. Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the May 7 minutes as adjusted. Mr. Mishler seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

The financial report as of June 4, 2024 was reviewed. Mr. Smith made a motion to accept the financial report. Mr. Blausner seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

Mr. Smith gave the Road Master's Report. Beaverdam Road was graded and rolled. We spent six days doing base repairs to Coaltown Road. We swept the rest of the roads that did not get done earlier in the spring. We had a washout on Harrisville Road, by Farren's. It did not damage the surface of the road, but repairs were made to the ditches and culverts were cleaned to fix the water flow. Dave Saul has begun hauling anti-skid. We have four loads in at this time. Stone for the tar and chip work has been piled at the bus garage for Russell Standard. By us putting the stone there, we will get a \$1000 credit. Mr. Smith met with Russell Standard and set up all the areas we are covering. The plan is to have the work done by the end of June. Mr. Mishler made a motion to approve the Road Master's Report. Mr. Blausner seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Smith gave the Equipment and Maintenance Report. The brake line on the old Michigan loader was replaced. We got the fuel trailer ready to go for the start of road work for the summer. Repairs were made to the mower. The spindle bearings went out when they got loose with the high speed of the mower. New seals were put in also. One bolt was lost, but there was no damage to the rest of the mower. The Mack truck was back at Tri-County Truck for the same problem of a fluid leak. Cummins put a brand new motor in the truck, and it was under warranty so it didn't cost us anything. They said there was a defect on one of the blocks. There was a thin wall on the cylinder and water was leaking in and going into the cylinder. Hopefully this will be the end to this issue. The Mack truck was set up to haul the water truck for road

work. Mr. Mishler made a motion to approve the Equipment and Maintenance Report. Mr. Blauser seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

A discussion took place regarding the purchase of another one-ton truck. Mr. Mishler stated that it still makes sense to get a cab and chassis only and upfit the truck using local contractors and doing a lot of the work ourselves. Mr. Blauser stated that the hydraulics will be the worst part, but can be done. Noah Byler will probably do the body since the old one will have to be refit to the new truck. He can also do the plow mount. Mrs. Yeager stated that until we have a firm price on what we need to borrow, no paperwork can be done by Attorney Gallagher for the borrowing approval through DCED.

Mark Reidenbach and Jake Sutton provided a report on all septic issues that Mrs. Yeager turned over to them that were still open in the Township. The Board reviewed the report. Mr. Mishler asked that Mrs. Yeager check with Mark to see if the Jenkins' are still going to be allowed to live in the house, since the process of installing a small flow system will take quite a long time. Mr. Smith asked if they might be able to use the culverts that the Township has on that property to run their clean water through if they don't get approval from other landowners. Mrs. Yeager will check with Mark on those two issues. Mr. Mishler asked how we are doing on billing. Mrs. Yeager stated that she has not yet received any bills from Gateway. We had the agreement with them for \$2000.00 for working to resolve issues that Collin had left undone. Looking through the report, it appears they have done a lot of work for us and he is concerned that we are already over the \$2000.00 previously agreed upon. Mr. Mishler made a motion to approve another \$3000.00 for Gateway Engineers to cover the work they are doing to get the septic issues back in line throughout the Township. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All three Supervisors voted yes. The motion carried.

Attorney Gallagher still has the check for Collin Fantaskey for the work he did at the Jenkins property. He has not come to pick up the check or to turn over the paperwork he has for Cherry Township. After a brief discussion, the Board decided to give it another month and if he still does not pick up the check, we will see where Attorney Gallagher wants to go from there.

Mrs. Yeager provided a copy of the e-mail she received from Desiree MacMillen regarding excessive noise at Camp Davis on Redbrush Road. Mrs. Yeager will forward the letter on to Attorney Gallagher. Desiree has consented to testify on behalf of the Township, so we just need to determine how to proceed at this time.

Robert Hairhoger was present, representing Marion Township Fire Department. He is inquiring about moving the coverage area lines so that Marion Township is the first call for emergencies on all of Moniteau Road, both North and South Grubb Road, all of Pleasant Valley Road from Rt. 308 to Harrisville Road, and remain first call on all of Chambers Road. Mr. Mishler made a

motion that the Board send notification to Emergency Management to request that these changes be made. Mr. Blausen seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried. Mrs. Yeager will send notification to Emergency Management to make these changes. Mr. Hairhoger used a map provided by Mr. Smith so we could mark the roads that will be changed under this agreement.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Yeager provided information she received from MDIA stating that the solar project(s) located on the Iron Mountain property off of Rt. 308 and Atwell Road has been put on hold. They are not proceeding with the work at this time. If they can get things settled and new regulations covered under their current plans, they may be re-applying to begin construction in a couple of years.

Mr. Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting and to sign checks to pay all bills. Mr. Blausen seconded the motion. All three supervisors voted yes. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.