CLEARFIELD TOWNSHIP Regular Meeting June 9,2025 7:00 p.m.

Henry McNutt, Don Reed, Tyler Kovach, secretary and 5 signed in guests were in attendance.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Old Business:

The minutes from the May meeting were read. Henry made a motion to approve the minutes. Tyler seconded. Carried.

John Placek, from 'The Igloo", removed the mobile vehicle sign and is now compliant.

New Business:

The treasurer's report was read. On 05/12/2025, General Fund \$85,809.35. Deposits \$68,436.08. Disbursed \$30,541.55. Ending \$123,703.88. State Fund \$455,984.52. Deposits \$19.36. Disbursed \$.00. Ending \$456,003.88. Sewage Fund \$12,009.20. Deposits \$3,335.45. Disbursed \$1,075.00. Ending \$12,009.20. Capital Reserve Fund \$317,207.01. Deposits \$26.94. Disbursed \$.00. Ending \$317,233.95. Equipment Fund \$46,815.23. Deposits \$2,502.04. Disbursed \$.00. Ending \$49,317.27. Building Fund \$59,562.11. Deposits \$1,002.55. Disbursed \$.00. Ending \$60,564.66. Traffic Light Fund \$37,040.60. Deposits \$.94. Disbursed \$.00. Ending \$37,041.54.

Henry made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Tyler seconded. Carried.

Henry made a motion to approve transferring from General Fund-\$2,500 to Equipment Fund, \$1,000 to Building Fund, and \$500 to Money Market. Don seconded. Carried.

We needed an emergency fix to the hilift tire. We borrowed Summit Twp spare. 4 new tires and a used rim were purchased and will be taken out of the Equipment Fund. We now have a spare.

A lengthy discussion was held on the auditor compensation rate. Their past hours were reviewed. Don felt the \$18.00/hr raise would make up for the 25 years of only making \$10/hr. and catch them up to what they should be making. Tyler felt with this 80% increase, we need to be fair to the road employees, who are up in the middle of the night plowing snow and to consider higher company payroll tax liability. Tyler felt a 50% increase to \$15/hr raise is reasonable. Henry suggested \$15/hr and the potential to increase in years ahead. Discussed an outside auditor could cost up to \$6,000 and may consider this every few years. John Sanders mentioned bookkeeper wages in PA is \$21.62/hr in PA. Jake mentioned P/T auditors average \$14-\$15/hr in PA and he is more concerned with the roadcrew wages. Tyler made a motion to approve Resolution #25-06-01 Auditor Compensation to \$15.00 hour. Henry seconded. Don did not approve and refused to sign Resolution because it was a 50% raise. Motion carried.

Discussed the supervisor compensation. Tyler was ok with keeping \$100 for advertised meetings. He was here to help township. Don agreed with keeping this rate and took the position to help the township and works an hour a month, averaging \$50/hr. Henry mentioned any rate increase is for new supervisors, and since this is his last year, it won't effect him. He puts in a lot of outside hours during the month. Supervisors agreed to keep the \$100 advertised meeting rate.

Supervisors agreed to agenda setting meetings for meeting preparation. Henry made a motion to place legal ad for these meetings, Aug 27, Sept 24, Oct 22 and Nov 26 at 7 pm. Tyler seconded. Carried.

Employee wages were compared. They did not receive a raise this year. Tyler said they do a great job keeping roads clear with the hours required and would like to keep with the average. The summer help is similar to landscaping job. Tyler made a motion to approve Mike Kamerer at \$24.00/hr, Steve Snyder, with no CDL at \$16.00/hr, and summer help with no CDL at \$14.00/hr. Don seconded. Carried.

The tax millage rate was discussed. Don felt we do not need to raise taxes. We had a million dollars at the end of the year and all the roads are fixed. Henry commented that was not an accurate figure because there was money allocated for this year and Carbon Center Road has a sinkhole and this million dollars

portion could be spent on this hole. Tyler said Clearfield Road and Fenelton Road need costly repairs. This was tabled for next month's meeting.

Henry made a motion to apply for grant for Clearfield Road at approximately \$1,424,000\$ with a 30% match. This cost may change and Jake will check different options. This would be a 3 year project. Tyler seconded. Carried.

Herman VFC requested a letter of support needed by the Attorney General for the merger of Herman VFC and Lick Hill VFD. Only 1 volunteer from Lick Hill will join Herman and won't effect our Workers Compensation share. Don made a motion to approve letter. Tyler seconded. Carried.

Tyler made a motion to approve the annual donation of \$5,000 to Herman VFC and East Butler VFD. Henry seconded. Carried.

Supervisors agreed to place 'Watch Children'sign on McEvoy Road at resident request. We have the sign here.

Resident at 808 Clearfield Road said cars are speeding thru downtown Fenelton and asked if 'Slow Down' and 'Disabled Adults' signs could be placed. It is 25 mph there and State Police would enforce this. Supervisors agreed to purchase 2 'Disabled Adults' signs at \$175 if we can find them or have them made.

Morrow Rd paving was awarded to Youngblood and Jake saved the township \$3,292.52, to date, by us purchasing the 2A limestone.

Supervisors agreed to discuss with Bob Maher, (Gateway) the engineer cost of the bridge and the drainage.

We are 2.35 ton shy of meeting our 210 ton required purchase of salt. CoStars agreed to waive this tonnage.

Planning Commission: No business.

Building and Sewage Permits: No comments.

The meeting was opened to the public.

John Sanders mentioned Cornetti Road(N) looks good and informed us that Shields Paving, when seal coating Cornetti Rd(N) used Rays Road for staging of trucks and cracked Rays Road. Jake will call Shields.

With no further business, Henry made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Don seconded. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully,

Jane Bauldoff Secretary