

**CLARK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING, TUESDAY MARCH 5TH, 2024 AT 11:00 A.M.**  
**CLARK TOWNSHIP OFFICE**

**CALLED TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLGIANCE: 11:00 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL: Fitzgerald Yes, Clymer Yes, Kozma Yes, and Rutledge Yes. Schuster Absent.**

**Other Present: Chris Ritchie, Andy Krino, Teresa Carmichael, Beth Autore, Jim Keighley, Brien Hanna, Paula Badour (Deputy Supervisor), and Linda Sherlund (Deputy Clerk).**

**Inquire if Public Comments are to Address Agenda Items: No comments.**

**This meeting was scheduled at 11:00 a.m. due to the Board of Review Organization Meeting at 9:00 a.m.**

**Correspondence: Rutledge read the correspondence from Cody and Teresa Carmichael regarding the sale of land to Taylor Lumber Company.**

**Draw request #2 for the Grinder Pump Project:**

Approve paperwork for draw request #2. Construction engineering costs \$13,111.00 and \$2,454,363.00 for construction costs. Total amount incurred to date is \$737,999.00. \$1,800,000.00 is the grant potion coming to Clark Township and \$737,999.00 loan/bond money. Kozma questioned the signatures procedure and would like clarification prior to making a motion to authorize payment.

**Kozma tabled this agenda item until clarification and engineer signed off. Rutledge seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call Vote: Fitzgerald Yes, Clymer Yes, Rutledge Yes, and Kozma Yes. All in favor. Motioned carried.**

Clymer asked Paula Badour to call Rebeca at C2ae for signatures clarification.

**Quotation from VC3 for computer security contract:**

Clymer stated that the server went down last week, and we had slow or no use of the BS&A programs. One of the drives crashed and the server went down. The Raid Disk Replacement was \$204.00 plus labor costs. VC3, Sean Hendrichs, and Mark Clymer had a phone conversation regarding the computer server issue.

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*Susan Rutledge*  
*Mark Clymer*

Clymer received a quote to replace the server for \$10,324.00. This server is 10 years old and the programs on the server are obsolete. Clymer also received a quote for annual maintenance on server for \$16,285.36 a year.

**Fitzgerald made a motion to approve the cost of the drive which was \$204.00 and labor costs pending an invoice. The Board of Trustee tabled purchasing a new server and annual contract until further research on different vendor. Kozma seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call Vote: Kozma Yes, Rutledge Yes, Clymer Yes, and Fitzgerald Yes. All in favor. Motion carried.**

Clymer stated that VC3 can help with support for BS&A. Fitzgerald questioned if we still pay BS&A for their support. VC3 will provide support after hours. Clymer will investigate further and bring information on different vendors and services to the March meeting.

**Rutledge stated that there have been several inquiries about Superior District Library Millage, millage passed 736 yes to 629 nos', in Mackinac County.**

#### **Sale of land to Taylor Lumber:**

At the February meeting, Clymer brought an offer by Brien Hanna, owner of Taylor Lumber Company of \$5,000.00 plus closing costs to Clark Township Board of Trustees for twenty feet of township property. This property is the property where Cedarville Harbor Building is located. The Board of Trustees refused the offer.

On February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to table the sale of land to Taylor Lumber owner Brien Hanna until they had further information. The Board of Trustees would like more information on this property, the exact amount needed, what the property is worth before any discussion on selling moves forth.

Brien Hanna, owner of Taylor Lumber Company and Clymer sent a new offer after the February 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. At the Special Meeting on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Clymer brought this agreement to the Board of Trustees. This offer was \$20,000.00, with payment terms which will include a \$10,000.00 donation from seller to buyer with a balance of \$10,000.00 being paid in full at closing.

Rutledge stated that Clark Township Board of Trustees agreed to table this at the February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024, meeting. Clymer cannot negotiate without board approval; the Board of Trustees members are all equal.

Brien Hanna stated that he has been speaking with the Les Cheneaux Boat School for a couple of years regarding Taylor Lumber property.

Beth Autore, Director of Administration stated that the boat school is a non-profit and has eighteen employees, and the Les Cheneaux Boat School has grown out of their present area. She currently has thirty students but hopes in the future to have fifty students. Lake Superior State University did a community impact study which showed L.C. Boat School generates 2.4 million dollars for the community. Beth Autore stated funding is based on grants. She stated that she could not say what the board will do with all the property, but the Taylor Lumber Building will not be used for storage.

Beth Autore spoke on behalf of the boat school, that the L.C. Boat School had a survey done by Ginger Michalski Wallace of Alpine Engineering, Inc., and it is different from the Survey that Clark Township had done by Jeff Davis of Great Lakes Surveying.

Clymer stated that there were other surveys done in 1973 and 1977.

Clymer stated that the Taylor Lumber Building is over the property line by three feet to eight feet depending on the surveys. Clymer stated that about twenty feet plus or minus which include setbacks is needed for a sale of Taylor Lumber.

Jim Keighley suggested that Clark Township set a line (like the drainage ditch) and go from there.

Fitzgerald asks if anyone was aware of property donated by Taylor Lumber Company or Frank Taylor for the launch ramp.

Brien Hanna stated that he is not aware of any marina property donation from Taylor Lumber Company or Frank Taylor.

**Kozma made a motion to have himself do the research/investigation on Clark Township and Taylor Lumber encroachment property and negotiation with Brien Hanna owner of Taylor Lumber Company.**

**Previous motion was amended:**

**Kozma made a motion to have himself do the research/investigation on this property without anyone negotiating the sale prior to the March 20<sup>th</sup> board meeting. Fitzgerald seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call Vote: Rutledge Yes, Fitzgerald Yes, Clymer Abstained, and Kozma Yes. 3 to 1, motion carried.**

Community members had time to ask questions, comment, and voice their opinions.

**Draw request #2 for the Grinder Pump Project:**

Paula Badour stated that she spoke with Rebecca at C2ae and stated that Darren does not sign until the Clark Township/Mark Clymer signs.

**Fitzgerald made a motion to approve draw #2 for \$2,454,363.00 for Grinder Pump Project/Construction costs and \$13,111.00 for Engineering Costs. Rutledge seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call Vote: Kozma Abstained, Rutledge Yes, Clymer Yes, and Fitzgerald Yes, 3 to 1, motion carried.**

At this Special Clark Township Board Meeting on this date Treasurer, Lisa Fitzgerald made the following request. Concerning our Grinder Pump Project, she would like to see step-by-step instructions for payment. This would include the order of signature approvals required to implement payment for each draw. State, EGLE, C2ae and Clark Township.

**Adjournment:**

**Fitzgerald made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:08 p.m. Kozma seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.**