

Clark Township Board of Trustees
Meeting of Wednesday July 15th, 2026 at 8:00 am
Clark Township Hall, 207 N. Blind Line Rd. Cedarville, MI 49719 (906)484-2672

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call: Lisa Fitzgerald (Y), Mark Clymer (Y), Linda Sherlund (Y), Mark Merchberger (Y), Sandi Fisher (Y)

Others in attendance: Carolyn Wilson (Deputy Clerk), Leroy Pieri, Rebecca Bolen(C2AE), Ken Bean, Kristi Autore, Greg Burroughs(High Street Insurance), Noel Weaver, Terry O'Brien, and Erich Doerr(Reporter).

Public comment (Agenda Items only) Limited to (3) minutes/comments are recorded, but not debated.

Fitzgerald motioned to approve amended agenda. Fisher seconded.

Roll call vote: Lisa Fitzgerald (Y), Mark Clymer (Y), Linda Sherlund (Y), Mark Merchberger (Y), Sandi Fisher (Y). All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Consent Agenda

Approved Minutes from Special Meetings: 5/20/2026, 6/26/2026, 6/30/2026, and 7/6/2026; and Regular Meeting Minutes 6/17/2026

General Fund Payments: \$100,621.61

Sewer Fund Payments: \$73,912. 79

Request to close road is needed from Commission for the Boat Show August 8th, 2026

Board discussed when to speak about data center ordinance.

Fisher motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Merchberger Seconded.

All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Correspondence:

Board acknowledged and discussed a thank you sent in by Cedarville/DeTour Islanders

EGLE Reports:

New docks- Nick McGuiness- 49-705 S. Big LaSalle Island Rd. Clark Twp (Denied)

Mike Heneka- 49- 1500 S. Dumler Ln. Clark Twp (Modified Draft Issued)

Clark Township- 49-3047 W. Lake St. Clark Twp (Public Notice)

Transmission Line Rebuilding Project- Clark, Marquette, Pickford, and Rudyard Townships rebuild ESE6909 line (Public Notice)

New Business:

Noel Weaver Spoke on behalf of the Lions Club on replacing the Gazebo. Township needs to purchase the replacement Pavillion and then be reimbursed by the Lions Club

Board Discussed Pavillion.

Fitzgerald motions to approve the quote 54154 for Weaver Barns for the Pavillion down town at the Cedarville park. Fisher Seconded.

Roll call vote: Lisa Fitzgerald (Y), Mark Clymer (Y), Linda Sherlund (Y), Mark Merchberger (Y), Sandi Fisher (Y). All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Noel Weaver spoke regarding the baseball season at Heritage Park. The fields were used 37 dates for 56 games. 8 dates for 16 High School Baseball games, 12 dates for 23 High School Softball games, 3 dates for 3 Middle School Baseball games, 2 Dates for 2 Middle School Softball games, 14 dates for 12 Junior Baseball/Junior Softball/Coach pitch games, and the Park helped Rudyard host their Quarter Finals, Pre-districts, and Districts. Heritage Park also is currently refinishing the Pickleball courts.

The Board discussed the EMC and Highstreet Insurance quotes.

Fitzgerald motioned that Clark Township switch to Highstreet as their insurance carrier leaving workers compensation alone for now. Fisher seconded.

Roll call vote: Lisa Fitzgerald (Y), Mark Clymer (Y), Linda Sherlund (Y), Mark Merchberger (Y), Sandi Fisher (Y). All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Board discussed Hessel Parking lot quote.

Fitzgerald motioned to table. Sherlund seconded.

All Ayes. Motion carried.

Board Discussed Topics for Attorney Discussion.

Merchberger motions to approve sending a list of 12 topics to Pickens, with five topics prioritized. Fisher seconded.

Roll call vote: Lisa Fitzgerald (Y), Mark Clymer (Y), Linda Sherlund (Y), Mark Merchberger (Y), Sandi Fisher (Y). All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Board Discussed Attorney Communication Policies.

Board Discussed new computers.

Fisher motioned to continue with VC3 and authorize up to \$400 per computer for the new software to be installed. Merchberger seconded.

Roll call vote: Lisa Fitzgerald (Y), Mark Clymer (Y), Linda Sherlund (Y), Mark Merchberger (Y), Sandi Fisher (Y). All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Board discussed Procurement Policy. Clymer tabled.

Board discussed EGLE Lagoons violations notice. VN No. VN019389.

Bolen from C2AE spoke about the Sewer Grinder Pump Replacement Project.

Board discusses Letter of Support for Natural Gas.

Fitzgerald motioned to send the support for natural gas letter to the county. Merchberger seconded. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Board discussed Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Fitzgerald motioned for Linda Sherlund give the Union the requested information and set the date for reconvening. Fisher seconded.

Roll call vote: Lisa Fitzgerald (Y), Mark Clymer (Y), Linda Sherlund (Y), Mark Merchberger (Y), Sandi Fisher (Y). All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Board discussed Board of Review.

Fitzgerald motioned to appoint Stacy Huffman to Board of Review. Merchberger seconded.

Roll call vote: Lisa Fitzgerald (Y), Mark Clymer (Y), Linda Sherlund (Y), Mark Merchberger (Y), Sandi Fisher (Y). All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Board discussed short list of appointees for Board of Review.

Board discussed Zoning Board of Appeals member.

Fitzgerald motioned to approve Pat Schusher to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Fisher seconded.

Roll call vote: Lisa Fitzgerald (Y), Mark Clymer (Y), Linda Sherlund (Y), Mark Merchberger (Y), Sandi Fisher (Y). All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Board discussed Sewer Advisory Committee renewals.

Fitzgerald motioned to renew Clark O'Brien and John Shoberg to the Sewer Advisory Committee. Fisher Seconded.

Roll call vote: Lisa Fitzgerald (Y), Mark Clymer (Y), Linda Sherlund (Y), Mark Merchberger (Y), Sandi Fisher (Y). All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Board discussed Zoning Board renewals.

Sherlund motioned to renew Christopher Pearson and Leroy Pieri for the Zoning Board. Fitzgerald seconded.

Roll call vote: Lisa Fitzgerald (Y), Mark Clymer (Y), Linda Sherlund (Y), Mark Merchberger (Y), Sandi Fisher (Y). All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Board discussed Planning Commission renewals.

Fitzgerald motioned to renew Leroy Pieri to the Planning Commission. Fisher Seconded.

Roll call vote: Lisa Fitzgerald (Y), Mark Clymer (Y), Linda Sherlund (Y), Mark Merchberger (Y), Sandi Fisher (Y). All in Favor. The Motion Carried.

Board discussed bank account change.

Fisher motioned to remove Gail Gugin from the bank account and add Carolyn Wilson. Sherlund seconded.

Roll call vote: Lisa Fitzgerald (Y), Mark Clymer (Y), Linda Sherlund (Y), Mark Merchberger (Y), Sandi Fisher (Y). All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Board opened bids for Ford F-250.

2 bids received- Jash Salvador bid \$3,000. Matthew Folkersma bid \$5,100.

Fitzgerald motion to accept bid for \$5,100 from Matthew Folkersma for the 2015 Ford F-250. Fisher Seconded.

Roll call vote: Lisa Fitzgerald (Y), Mark Clymer (Y), Linda Sherlund (Y), Mark Merchberger (Y), Sandi Fisher (Y). All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Board discussed ADA parking at Community center.

Treasurers report

General fund balance: \$106,437.93

Sewer fund balance: \$310,841.67

Clerks report

Tabulator testing on Tuesday, June 21, 2026 at 9 am.

Early voting begins at Mackinac County July 5th-August 2nd.

Clark Townships Clerks office will be open Saturday August 1 from 8am-4pm for registration.

Clerks office has sent out 494 ballots as of meeting.

Supervisor Report

Jim Gray from Snowmobile club is looking for letter of support to do repairs on Airport property.

Fitzgerald motioned to give Mark Clymer authorization to write a letter of support to the Les Cheaunex Snow Mobile Club. Fisher Seconded.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Waterways reimbursement is in progress. Completed Quarterly reports.

Permits report- 17 building permits issued by Sims

Fire Extinguishers inspected, K31 extinguisher ordered for Community Center.

Crane Engineering inspected Sewer Lift Stations, they recommended repairs.

Fitzgerald motioned to allow Rebecca Bender to do the redesign of the Shaft Master Lift Station and surrounding components. Merchberger Seconded.

Roll call vote: Lisa Fitzgerald (Y), Mark Clymer (Y), Linda Sherlund (Y), Mark Merchberger (Y), Sandi Fisher (Y). All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Airport Committee

Has not met.

Ambulance Corp

20 calls and 6 refusals

Fire Department

17 incidence responses in 2026

Ted from MES did Pressure service July 21st, AIR Pacs service 21st, Testing 4 hose on engine 3 and 4..

Ambulance garage door completed.

Will test Foam System

Building and Zoning

Nothing to cover at this time.

Heritage Park

Has not met.

Pickleball resurfacing started. Will add two Pickleball Courts lines to tennis courts. They will still be tennis courts as well.

Marina Advisory Committee

Board discussed the Neal House Garage.

Sherlund motioned that they put the garage (Neal House) up for bid to remove it and open up the space. Fisher seconded.

Roll call vote: Lisa Fitzgerald (Y), Mark Clymer (Y), Linda Sherlund (Y), Mark Merchberger (Y), Sandi Fisher (Y). All in Favor. The Motion Carried.

Planning Committee

Committee adjusted parts of the defined uses table.

Committee is researching zoning overlays.

Working to finalize official form.

Naiser and Schwab hearing unanimously vote to deny rezoning.

Committee put forth New Ordinance for Crypto and Data Mining

Fisher motioned to accept the Ordinance for Crypto and Data Mining as write subject to amendment, adding, or subtracting as needed by Jermy Pickens and making the correction from Township engineer to Township hired Engineer.

Roll call vote: Lisa Fitzgerald (Y), Mark Clymer (Y), Linda Sherlund (Y), Mark Merchberger (Y), Sandi Fisher (Y). All in Favor. The Motion Carried.

Committee is researching expanding or modifying blight ordinance for health and safety concerns

Recreation Committee

Bike Path/Multi Use Path: awarded a Grant, working a on easements, outhouse, one year of cleaning for outhouse, and bike repair stop donated

Road committee

Has not met.

Sewer Advisory

Has not met.

Sherlund motioned to close meeting. Fitzgerald seconded. All Ayes.

Meeting closed 11:58 am.