

**TOWNSHIP OF CLAY
CLAY TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
APRIL 25, 2018, 7:00 PM
MANTRAP VALLEY CONSERVATION CLUB
PARK RAPIDS, MN**

1. CALL TO ORDER: The April 25th, 2018, Meeting of the Clay Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Acting Chair Jeff Haukebo, and those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL: Present: Supervisors Jeff Haukebo and Norm Leistikow, Treasurer Del Holz, and Clerk Margie Vik. Absent: Supervisor Andy Kietzman. Others Present: Joe Scharber.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by Leistikow, seconded by Haukebo, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda as presented.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. Clay Township Regular Meeting Minutes-March 28, 2018: A motion was made by Leistikow, seconded by Haukebo, and unanimously carried to approve the Clay Township Regular Meeting Minutes for March 28th, 2018, as presented.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Road Issues on Jewel Drive: The board received a citizen compliant regarding the driving surface of Jewel Drive being rutted and sloppy. The residents are requesting Class Five gravel be applied to the road instead of Class One. Leistikow stated he conversed with Cumber Construction and that they do have Class Five available. The board decided to use what the citizens are requesting.

B. Brushing Ditches: Leistikow stated he contacted both Knutson and Carr about brushing out the ditches in the township. Carr's prices were cheaper. The electric company did it last year but didn't do a satisfactory job. The board decided to contact Carr to brush out the ditches this year.

C. Thank You Cards: The township received thank you cards from the Park Rapids Library, Hubbard County Lifelong Learning, and the Hubbard County First Responders, for the donations for services granted by Clay Township.

D. Gambling Permit: A motion was made by Haukebo, seconded by Leistikow, and unanimously carried to approve a Minnesota Gambling Lawful Permit, LG240B for Ron Norenberg d.b.a. the Hubbard County Environmental Building Board for

four (4) bingo events on July 31st, August 7th, 14th, and 21st, 2018, at the Mantrap Valley Conservation Club.

E. Shooting Range: Haukebo stated resident Paul Isaacson has concerns over the noise being generated at the Mantrap Valley Conservation Club (MVCC) Shooting Range. The current zoning regulations allow the range to be there. The State of Minnesota has regulations favorable to shooting ranges called the Shooting Range Protection Act. This shooting range is not a permitted use. It's been here a long time and is grandfathered in as an accessory use to the club.

Joe Scharber stated we're not looking to shut it down, but we're asking for limited hours of operation. Haukebo stated I can provide you with the Clay Township ordinance and the state law. Scharber questioned wasn't the shed supposed to be enclosed? The range has been upgraded considerably and it's drawing more and more people.

Haukebo stated I'll pass this information onto Isaacson so he can familiarize himself with the regulations and we can discuss it next month.

6. OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business.

7. APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT: Holz stated \$105.99 was received from the money market account interest. A check in the amount of \$3,362.28 from Hubbard County for the gas tax was deposited. The checking account balance is \$8,421.78, and the money market balance is \$202,318.64. The total funds are \$260,740.42. There's \$167,457.42 in the building fund. There is \$8,221.78 in outstanding checks. The operating balance is \$35,061.22. The outstanding invoices for this month are \$885.00 for Cumber Construction, \$134.00 for property taxes, and \$177.50 for Shannon Barnett Web Design. Total payables are \$1,196.50.

Holz suggested that the rate of pay for the supervisors be increased based on how much time was put in by the them over the last few issues faced by the township, the gravel pit and the water retention issues on Jigsaw Drive.

A motion was made by Haukebo, seconded by Leistikow, and unanimously carried to approve the treasurer's report and to pay the outstanding invoices.

8. ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Haukebo, seconded by Leistikow, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

ATTEST:

Acting Chair Jeff Haukebo

Margie M. Vik
Township Clerk