Custer Township Regular Meeting Minutes

June 19,2023

Supervisor Mark Anderson called the Custer Township Board meeting to order at 1:30pm. Members present besides Mark Anderson were Larry Larr, Trustee; George Allison, Trustee; Carey Jolly, Treasurer; Staci Wood, Clerk.

The minutes for the May Custer Township Board meeting were presented for review with no changes or discussion forthcoming, Larry Larr made a motion to approve the minutes as presented George Allison seconded Ayes =5 Nays=0 motion carried.

Staci Wood presented the bills for review, with a change of adding check # 6100 made out to Nancy Vandervest in the amount of \$3,058.64 Larry Larr made a motion to approve the payables report with the changes made, George Allison seconded Ayes=5 Nays=0 motion carried.

Visitors: Charles Griffiths a Custer Village resident, came to ask the Board why we no longer have Custer cleanup day. The board explained to Mr. Griffiths the reasons behind not having it. Mr. Griffiths asked if there was anything that we could do about some of the yards of residents in the village. The board explained to him that it is a Village matter not a Township matter and he would have to take it to a Village meeting or to the Mason County Junk Authority. Mr. Griffiths also asked about the blinking light at US HWY 10 and Main St. stating we need to put up a stop sign under the blinking light, the board again stated this was a Road Commission matter and he needed to take it to the Road Commission.

Clerk's Report:

Staci Wood stated that she now has the proper paperwork to submit to the Mason County District #10 Health Department for the removal of the Wing Vault and will be turning this in this week for approval. She also stated she has spoken with Randy Wyman from Wyman Funeral Home and he has arranged for a vault company to come out and remove the vault and place it in the proper location for a charge of \$500.00 instead of the \$1500.00. Staci Wood stated that she has spoken with Tom Nelson (sexton) and we will arrange a time for him and vault company to come out and dig the holes and make the transfer. She can then submit the claim to the insurance company in the amount of \$1400.00 which is coming in under the \$1500.00 insurance payout.

She stated that she has submitted the reimbursement form to the Mason County Central Schools for the May election.

Staci Wood has been working with Ron Wood from Sugar Ridge Church and Sheriff Kim Cole to try and get three cremations buried in Custer Cemetery. We have all agreed that there will be three separate holes in the two plots. Plot one will be the father and son and Plot two will be the mother. This will take place this Wednesday June 21,2023.

I have new township checks ordered and they had a printing issue so the order has been delayed and hopefully the checks should be here at the beginning for this week.

There was an email sent out to all clerks that have a permanent AV list, asking if we would prefer to switch to pre folded ballots to help with the time it takes to fold and stuff the ballots for the elections. The cost will go up about 2 cents per ballot making each ballot about 5 cents. All clerks agreed this will be better for the presidential election that will be taking place next year.

Staci Wood asked the board to purchase more signs for the cemetery the two that we purchased to mark the graves have turned out to work very well and everyone seems to really like them but we have found that two of them is not enough and I am looking to purchase another 4 more. Approved by board.

Treasurer's Report:

Carey Jolly stated the summer taxes will go out on July 1,2023 and she has received the tax warrants and the 2023 tax base. The tax base will be set up today and the mortgage escrows will be mailed out on July 1,2023.

The CD rates are on the rise. I have combined the 3 CD's that had rates of .5% -1.35% into one 9-month CD that has a rate of 5.3% the penalty was \$711.67 and our return will still be over \$2072.17 in the next 9 months. The CD is now \$70,460.58 at 5.3%.

West Shore Bank has requested a motion to show the change in the CD's.

Mark Anderson made a motion to change the CD's and to pay the penalty and combine them into one 9-month CD for the 5.3%, Larry Larr seconded the motion Ayes=5 Nays=0 motion carried.

A delinquent personal property tax for 2021 was paid. Carey sent out a letter of intent to seize the property and the check arrived 2 weeks later. This is her first time with personal property payments in a previous year, so I have been doing homework how to put in the payment. She will need to move the funds back to tax checking because the county will need their portion, this will happen this week.

Supervisor's Report:

Mark Anderson stated that he spoke with Mary from the Mason County Road Commission, she stated that they will begin the Darr and Filburn Road project within the next few weeks. This project has been slow because of lack of material on the docks. 2nd brining is finished.

New Business: none to report

Old Business: The driveway at the Cemetery has been covered with slag, graded and brined. Waiting for rain to do the final grading.

With no other business brought to the board for review, Larry Larr made a motion to adjourn, George Allison seconded Ayes=5 Nays=0 motion carried next meeting July 17,2023

Respectfully Submitted by,
Staci K Wood (Clerk)