

Canteen Township  
Meeting Minutes  
November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022  
6:00 pm

1. Call to Order: 6:01pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance: 6:01
3. Roll Call
4. A. Angie Rodgers: Present                                      D. Mike Kokotovich: Present  
     B. Sally Rodriguez: Present                                    E. Norman Miller: Present  
     C. Cynthia Gutierrez: Present                                F. Kawaii Williams: Present
- \*Deputy Clerk: Juliette Gosa sitting in due to Clerk injury to hand  
     6 Present                                      0 Absent                                      Quorum (Yes)
5. Approval of Previous Minutes  
     Motion to Approve-----October 12<sup>th</sup>,2022  
     Motion by: Cynthia Rodriguez                                2<sup>nd</sup> by: Angie Rodgers  
     A. Angie Rodgers: Yes    D. Mike Kokotovich: Abstain  
     B. Sally Rodriguez: Yes     E. Norman Miller: Yes  
     C. Cynthia Gutierrez: Yes  
    4(Yes)                                      1(Abstain)                                      Passed: Yes
6. Bills and Warrants:
  - 1.Approval of Bills:  
 Motion by: Angie Rodgers                                      2<sup>nd</sup> by: Cynthia Gutierrez  
 A. Angie Rodgers: Yes    D. Mike Kokotovich: Yes  
 B. Sally Rodriguez: Yes     E. Norman Miller: Yes  
 C. Cynthia Gutierrez: Yes  
     5 (Yes)                                      Passed
  2. Warrants  
  
 Motion to Strike: Angie Rodgers                              2<sup>nd</sup>: Cynthia Gutierrez  
  
 A. Angie Rodgers: Yes    D. Mike Kokotovich: Yes  
 B. Sally Rodriguez: Yes     E. Norman Miller: Yes  
 C. Cynthia Gutierrez: Yes  
     5(Yes)                                      Passed
7. A. Selling of the Building  
     Clerk Willians said we talked about the selling of the building at last meeting. Secretary Gosa said the letter is in the packets and you all can

tweek it and tell her what needs to be added or subtracted. Ann said this type of letter needs to go out to all business or in the community as a whole, (newspapers, Eddie's Meat Market, BND, and Monitor). Sally asked Norman should we keep parcel in back or do we have to change it before we sell it? Norm said its about 8 feet on side of Fence. Sally said do we still want to keep it? Sally said if we sell it, we can keep it and build from there. Norman said he does not know if it is enough ground. Ann said are you talking about the Health District? Secretary Gosa said yes Canteen Township owns property in back of East Side Health District. Cynthia asked if she could see property of all land owned by Canteen Township. Sally asked if Secretary Gosa had put the letter out to Larry Flints Hustler club and Secretary Gosa said no because the Trustees would have to approve it first. Sally asked if there are anymore addresses to send the letters to. Secretary Gosa said all the business here. Sally said she would like to send the letters certified mail to the people. Sally said a discussion with Norm. Sally said Norman Miller if someone approaches you, what are you going to say, or you prepared to say an offer on what you going to accept? Norman said no not until I meet with all of you guys. Sally said that's what I was saying that if the bring up offer and agreement we need appraisal. Sally said she think it was \$300,000 and Secretary Gosa said it was about \$350,000 in that ballpark. Cynthia said do we have to do bids and Sally said yes, we need to get with St. Clair County and print out parcels, Sally asked Mike did he have something to say. Mike said he would like to know if there are any stipulations on how long a bid can be out, other than that no. Sally said we have to come to some type of agreement whether we going to keep, sell or rebuild on land. Cynthia said she think we should have 2-3 rooms and a conference room. Sally said we all thought from beginning about a Pole Barn like they do when they build offices. She said Juliette like when you came to Fairmont building. It had window, room to right, conference room and kitchen and restroom. Sally said Tim Hasamear will need three car garage and office area. Sally said Tim will that be ok, and you will be connected to our building and have half of building. Ann said she knows a letter is going to Larry Flint, but can we do a general letter? Ann said it can say Canteen Township is in process of selling the building.

Sally said it is going in the newspaper so we can send some general letters and by-laws we must put in newspaper and say when auction is. Sally said at her job they do auction in daytime and accept highest bid. Ann said do you want them to walk them in or mail them in. Sally said we need to know how much property we have, and we need to talk to St. Clair about splitting it. Sally said we can sell place but where are we going? Sally said we have options such as Community Center in Fairmont City and a place in State Park. Sally said we will have somewhere to go. Sally said we got to have a plan in place in advance with Sally said if we sell building, we may have to have an agreement with owner to let us stay until we get a building. Sally said maybe they can let us stay until April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. Sally said we may be able to talk to Mayor Moore since he have not got his building up yet. Ann said I think building next to Avant school has a big community center. Secretary Gosa said yes Bishop Pettiford. Sally asked how many computers are being used and Secretary Gosa said one. Sally said she can have someone come and put computer where it should be. She said he doe police work. Sally said if we put it in Fairmont City and have security. Norman said we gotta get Attorney involved. Sally said next step is selling the building. Sally said if someone come and offer \$100,000 and I do not want to accept that. Sally said Norman and Juliette has to research it. She said we gotta know Rules/Regulations. Mike said we gotta figure it out. Sally said Norman and Juliette here on day-to-day basis. Sally said we may have to have special meeting. Norman said we have an Attorney let's get him involved.

Sally said in township booklet it may have it in it. Secretary Gosa asked do everybody have a township. Cynthia Gutierrez asked do I have one. Secretary Gosa said yes, and Mrs. Miller went and picked up the book and gave it to her. Sally said good and now I can get my book back. Sally said November 9<sup>th</sup>, is the next meeting. Cynthia would like to know how much the newspaper will charge. Sally said what newspaper: Belleville Newspaper or monitor. Cynthia said we need listings of all parcels we own. Sally said we need GIS map and Juliette I can show you how to pull up on your computer and leave it. Sally asked was there color on it and Secretary Gosa said no. Sally said contact the Attorney and see how do

we need to proceed with selling of building and have contact list of business. Sally said remember some of the business may be working as DBA (Doing Business As). Sally said we may have do Resolution to sell building.

8. New Business:

A. Holiday pay for employees (Columbus)

Clerk Williams said issue with holiday pay because it was written Sally asked did we receive Juneteenth and Trustee Gosa said yes. Sally said then you all will not get Columbus Day. Sally said holiday calendar needs to be voted on so have in packet December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022.

B. Tax Levy Paperwork

Sally said she would like to know why we never got any IMRF money when Fairmont gets Thousands of dollars. Ann said tax levy should be submitted by last Tuesday in December. Sally said we going to be on time. Sally said we need report on IMRF and add to tax levy. Sally asked Clerk if she would be willing to come to Canteen. Sally said Juliette what are you doing tomorrow. Secretary Gosa said she is available Monday-Friday from 8-4pm. Sally said we can reach out to Dina at the county.

Motion to Table                      Cynthia Gutierrez                      2<sup>nd</sup> Angie Rodgers

A. Angie Rodgers (Yes)                      D. Mike Kokotovich(Yes)

B. Sally Rodriguez (Yes)                      E. Norman Miller (Yes)

C. Cynthia Gutierrez

5(Yes)

Passed

C. Thanksgiving and Christmas Luncheon Luncheon

Sally asked Ms. Miller how much money we need for luncheon.

Sally said we are going to give \$500.00. Trustees decided that the day will be December 21<sup>st</sup>,2022. Ms. Miller said we do not need Thanksgiving Luncheon.

Motion by: Cynthia Gutierrez

2<sup>nd</sup> by: Sally Rodríguez

A. Angie Rodgers (Yes)

D. Mike Kokotovich (Yes)

B. Sally Rodriguez (Yes)

E. Norman Miller (Yes)

C. Cynthia Gutierrez (Yes)

5 (Yes)

Passed

D. Auditor

Ann said she would like to make motion to table it and Cynthia seconded.

Tim Hasamear said he needs an audit to apply for grants. Ann said Clay financial said they charge \$2,250 up front and rest when audit complete. Sally said she does not care about price as long as we get audit done because we have almost \$300,000 in bank don't we Norm. Sally said Engagement letter may change because it was in May 2022.

Motion by: Sally Rodriguez

2<sup>nd</sup> by: Angie Rodgers

A. Angie Rodgers (Yes)

E. Mike Kokotovich (Yes)

B. Sally Rodriguez (Yes)

F. Norman Miller (Yes)

C. Cynthia Gutierrez (Yes)

5 (Yes)

Passed

D. Compensation for Secretary Gosa for 2021 tax preparation

Sally said she thought that was what I was supposed to do. Other trustees said always find out if you are going to get paid if you do extra. Cynthia said you are not getting paid, and she said let Norman pay you. Secretary Gosa said she would be contacting the Attorney and will not do 2022 tax preparation.

9. Public Comments- None

10. Highway Commissioner Comments- He said renting of the U-Haul and pay.

11. Trustees Comments

12. Supervisor Comments

13. Executive Session

14. Open Session

15. Motion to Adjourn: Cynthia Rodriguez

2<sup>nd</sup> Angie Rodgers

A. Angie Rodgers (Yes)

D. Mike Kokotovich (Yes)

B. Cynthia Gutierrez (Yes)

Norman Miller Yes)

C. Sally Rodriguez (Absent)

4 (Yes)

Passed

Meeting adjourned at 7:27

Submitted by  
Kawaii Williams