

**Clio Amphitheater Board**  
**Clio City Hall**  
**April 6, 2023**

Meeting Called to Order at 5:03pm

**Roll Call**

**Present:** Gary Langdon, Doug Vance, Judy Campbell, Reneé Wagle, Bill Fagerstrom, Craig Nelson, Judy Barrett

**Absent:** None

**Also Present:** Eric Wiederhold, Charlie Hyde, Debra LeClaire

**Public Comment /Presentations**

Debra LeClaire from ABC12 presented an exclusive TV advertisement proposal for the 2023 Clio Amphitheater season. The advertisements will appear on TV12 throughout the day. An opportunity will also be presented to interview an Amphitheater representative on the “Good Morning Michigan” 9:00am show. The amphitheater ads would also appear on “Me TV” as well as on the “abc12.com” community page. The cost for the ABC12 advertisement package, valued at **\$27,080.00**, would remain the same as 2022 at a cost of **\$5,000.00** for the season. The TV12 package presented is exclusive for TV but does allow for the Amphitheater to advertise on radio or internet sites without violating the contract.

**Approve Agenda**

Doug Vance requested the addition of **Item E – Amphitheater Clean-up Day to New Business**

**Motion** by Craig Nelson, **supported** by Doug Vance to approve the Clio Amphitheater Board agenda for the April 6, 2023 meeting, with the addition of **Item E – Amphitheater Clean-up Day to New Business**

**All yeas**

**Absent:** None

**Motion carried**

**Approve Minutes of March 2, 2023 Clio Amphitheater Board Meeting**

**Motion** by Judy Campbell, **supported** by Craig Nelson, to approve minutes of March 2, 2023 Clio Amphitheater Board meeting.

**All yeas**

**Absent:** None

**Motion carried**

**Treasurer’s Report**

Treasurer, Judy Campbell presented a financial report for the period of July 1, 2022 – March 31, 2023. The Amphitheater balance as of July 1, 2022 was **\$101,824.78**. During this period there was **income** of **\$32,637.70** and **expenses** of **\$33,232.29**. The Amphitheater balance as of **March 31, 2023** is **\$103,336.55**. The **March 31, 2023** balance also includes a **\$1,000.00** donation from **HAP** as well as the **\$28,000.00** grant for 2023 received from the **Greater Flint Arts Council**. The **Capital Improvements** account balance is **\$16,619.54**.

**Motion** by Craig Nelson to **receive** the Treasurer’s report.

**Old Business**

**A) Joe’s Garage**

Gary Langdon has had contact with the new chef at Joe’s Garage who believes Joe’s Garage will still continue to cater the meals for the Amphitheater performers. The restaurant will make contact with Gary Langdon in the near future to finalize details for the 2023 summer Amphitheater season.

## **B) ABVIS**

Gary Langdon reported America's Best Value Inns and Suites (ABVIS) located in Birch Run will continue to provide rooms needed for the 2023 Amphitheater concert performers.

## **C) Clio Early Elementary Usage**

Charlie Hyde and Judy Campbell reported, after conversations with the Clio Schools administration, that extensive renovation is expected to begin this summer on the Early Elementary building currently used for concessions, storage of concession equipment, refrigeration for water bottles and soda, the box office and bathroom facilities. At this time, the superintendent felt the building could possibly be open for to use restrooms only this upcoming season but is still unsure of this status once the renovation begins.

A discussion was held regarding concerns about the concession area, a box office location, and the possible need for additional portable toilets. Judy Campbell and Charlie Hyde have spoken to the Clio City Offices about the possibility of popping popcorn in Rogers Lodge. They reported this was possible but supplies could not be stored at Rogers Lodge as the Lodge is rented out for other events and all equipment, including the popcorn machine, would have to be removed at the end of the concert season. There was also a discussion as to whether Rogers Lodge is equipped with 220 voltage needed for the popcorn machine.

Tacoma Productions has discussed the possibility of adding an addition onto the Snack Shack to provide more storage for supplies and create a place to pop popcorn. There was a discussion that before any addition is added to the current Snack Shack, an assessment needs to be done to determine which areas in the Amphitheater complex belong to the City of Clio and which areas belong to Clio Schools.

Judy Campbell is also working with the Genesee County Health Department to determine "if" and "how" Tacoma Productions needs to have their own food service permit as they would no longer be covered under the realm of Clio Schools.

Charlie Hyde also reported Tacoma is investigating the possibility of selling individual pizzas rather than returning to selling hotdogs as the individual pizzas are pre-packaged and come heated and ready to serve which reduces the amount of food handling.

## **D) Share Art Genesee Grant**

This year the Clio Amphitheater received a **Share Art Genesee** grant for **\$28,000**. Gary Langdon, along with the other Amphitheater Board members, recognized the great amount of work done by Eric Wiederhold to write and submit the grant for consideration.

## **E) Lonestar Negotiations**

Gary Langdon reported he has worked for the past couple of months trying to secure the act **Lonestar** to perform at the Clio Amphitheater this summer for a possible seventh concert. Negotiations were "looking good" until he recently found out **Lonestar** would instead be playing at the Capital Theater in Flint. This meant the act could not accept any other dates within a particular radius for a year. Gary stated he would try to possibly secure the act for the 2024 season

## **New Business**

### **A) ABC12 Bid - Debra LeClaire**

A discussion was held as to the value of TV advertising for the Amphitheater **Motion** by Craig Nelson, **supported** by Judy Barrett, to accept the bid presented by **ABC12** for exclusive TV12 advertisement of the 2023 Clio Amphitheater season and to present the TV12 bid information to the Clio City Commission for final approval.

#### **Roll Call Vote:**

**Voting Yes:** Judy Campbell, Gary Langdon, Doug Vance, Bill Fagerstrom, Craig Nelson, Reneé Wagle, Judy Barrett.

**Voting No:** None

**Absent:** None

**Motion Carried**

**B) Action Plumbing bid – toilets**

Gary Langdon reported two toilets in the downstairs stage area may be leaking as there is water on the bathroom floor. The toilets also are not stable. The toilets are in need of repair or replacement. Gary spoke to Action Plumbing in Clio and he expects they will submit a bid for the toilet repair or replacement. Gary indicated he will forward the bid to Amphitheater board members and Eric Wiederhold if and when a bid from Action Plumbing is submitted. **NOTE: A bid was forwarded to Amphitheater Board members to review**

**C) 103.9 The Fox Bid**

The advertising bid submitted from **Fox 103.9** only covered radio spots and not TV at a cost of **\$2,400.00**. For the last couple of years Genisys Bank has provided the Amphitheater with free spots on Fox and other places. Craig Nelson volunteered to contact other radio stations in case Genisys chooses not to offer this free service to the Amphitheater for the 2023 season. Craig Nelson also volunteered to create a “Friends of Clio Amphitheater” Face Book site to feature information about the concerts.

**D) GeneseeFun.com**

GeneseeFun.com is a web site that advertises arts events in Genesee County. One of the requirements of receiving the Share Arts Genesee grant is a Clio Amphitheater posting on the site. Eric Wiederhold will make sure there is an Amphitheater posting on the site

**F) Amphitheater Clean-Up Day**

Doug Vance reported the Gleaners group is not holding a Clio clean-up day to spruce up the Clio main street and clean-up at the Amphitheater. Doug proposed a spring clean-up to focus on the Clio Amphitheater area only. After a discussion of possible dates, **May 13** was selected.

**Motion** by Craig Nelson, **supported** by Doug Vance to hold an **Amphitheater Clean-up Day** on **Saturday, May 13, 2023 at 9:00 am** with the Clio Amphitheater Board paying for pizza for workers on May 13 and to submit this proposal to the Clio City Commission for final approval.

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Voting Yes:** Judy Campbell, Gary Langdon, Doug Vance, Bill Fagerstrom, Craig Nelson, Reneé Wagle, Judy Barrett.

**Voting No:** None

**Absent:** None

**Motion Carried**

Charlie Hyde volunteered to contact the Gleaners to find out who they contacted for the city clean-up in years past as well as contacting the Sheriff’s work crew to find out if they are still providing this service.

**Staff Reports** None

Meeting adjourned at 6:40pm

**Next Meeting: Thursday, May 4, 2023 - 5:00pm**  
**Clio City Hall**