

Custer Clerk's Report
November 16, 2020

I received a request from Mr. Edward Myers to sell back a cemetery plot. There is a check for approval in the payables this month.

I need to explain the monthly Epay situation with the IRS. Like all IRS payments they have a due date. By making timely payments we avoid a 25% penalty for being late. As quarterly payers our payment was due on the 20th of the month following the end of the quarter. I think the due date is the 25th but I always added a cushion because of the huge penalty. Now I found out that the due date is the 15th day following the prior month. This will fall before our meeting and is the "due date". This is a normal part of doing business and cannot be changed or adjusted. Any changing will have to be done with our meetings. I know that some townships have a resolution to pay a monthly bill and report it on the monthly payables as a side item. We have several reasons why our meetings are held when they are, mostly being able to pay our Board of Review and Election workers in a timely fashion. I will still be paying our State Withholdings quarterly.

The election was overwhelming in the sheer size of it. We were still counting ballots about an hour after the polls closed. We did not balance. I called Cheryl to come out to help. We left the courthouse after 3:00 AM. Side note we were not the last township to report in our county. I have not received anything formally, but I expect an audit. My election inspectors feel we still need more detailed training. I have agreed, I have some ideas I have talked to the BOE Liaison Division. They think I am on the right track. I will follow up on this. I would like to have the support of the Board to conduct a few training sessions of my own. They would only involve two or three people.

I received a form letter from Representative Jack O'Malley thanking me for my service and asking for insights on the problems. I intend to respond.

A letter addressed to Carey come across my desk. It appeared to be a check from the Village of Custer. I am not familiar with receiving checks from the Village. Is this a new revenue source we need to be aware?

I have been asked for an estimated cost of a special election in 2021 for the MCRFA. One issue that several of the clerks are discussing is paying for the Clerk's wages. I had checked before and two other checked recently there is no way the Clerk can be paid anything but their regular wages. This board was aware of that when we voted on

wages for the clerk last spring. We chose to ignore the MTA advice at the point. Now I need to do the estimate, what are the Board thoughts?