

Clinton Township Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting
April 25, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.

All Board members answered roll call – Trustee Dennis Baugher, Trustee Jim Distel, Trustee Dan Schmitz, and Fiscal Officer Jennifer Bates.

Guests: Ben Bishop, Denny Wilkinson, Steve Welter, Bill Frankart, Mike Hoover, Dennis Kingseed, Ken Egbert, Judge Mike Kelbley, Derek Devine, and Damon Alt.

Correspondence: Seneca County - Community Electric Aggregation rate info and opt-out form

The minutes of the regular meeting held April 11, 2022 were read and approved.

Judge Kelbley, who is retiring, came to say that it was an honor and a privilege to serve to township and thanked everyone for their support.

Bill Frankart introduced himself and says he is running for Seneca County Commissioner. He has been a township trustee for 14 years and hopes to use his experience to bring more funding and grants into the county.

Ken Egbert introduced himself and says he is a Republican constitutional conservative running for Seneca County Common Pleas Court Judge. He summarized his experience and says he hopes to speed up the docket, enhance court technology, and improve the jury notification system.

Damon Alt introduced himself and says he is running for Seneca County Common Pleas Court Judge and is currently Judge Kelbley's magistrate. He says he would be available day and night to sign search warrant, would like to continue the PIVOT drug court, expand mental health treatment options, continue to work with Seneca County Probation Services, look out for victims of crime, and treat every party fairly and with dignity.

Trustee Baugher made a motion to enter executive session (per O.R.C. 121.22 (G)) at 7:49 p.m. for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel. No action will be taken. This was seconded by Trustee Schmitz. Mr. Schmitz – yes, Mr. Distel – yes, Mr. Baugher – yes.

Trustee Baugher made a motion to exit executive session at 7:48 p.m., seconded by Trustee Schmitz. Mr. Schmitz – yes, Mr. Distel – yes, Mr. Baugher – yes.

Ben Bishop reports that there have been 130 runs year-to-date – 98 medical, 8 accidents, 18 fire or odor investigations, and 3 requests for mutual aid.

Assistant Chief Wilkinson says the pump for the tanker was ordered and is being built, but it will be another 6 to 8 weeks before it is completed. They have been using the engines for grass fires and if it is too big they can call for mutual aid. He also says inventory is almost complete and that it is the best inventory we have taken in a long time. Ben Bishop says everything has been color coded and there are tags inside all the doors of what goes where.

Zoning Inspector Steve Welter says he took phone calls regarding a fence permit and a shed permit and re-sent the letter to Mr. Hickey because it was originally sent to the wrong address.

Resident Mike Hoover says he came in case there were questions about the driveway permit for his daughter. He says the driveway is going in right beside a railroad sign, and they want to know if the sign can be moved. The trustees say they will look at it.

Denny Wilkinson says he talked to Jim Ehrman at the Board of Elections and told him the township house may not be available for the August election. He wonders if ECI would allow them to hold elections there. Trustee Baugher says they could use the back building but we would have to bring in portable restrooms.

Trustee Baugher says the tile on Lelar St. is in.

Trustee Distel says Regional Planning approved the lot split transfer of the State land back to the township.

Trustee Baugher asked if Trustee Distel and Trustee Schmitz went to look at the driveway tile on TR 130. Trustee Distel says the tile is clear and they are afraid to disturb it because there is no coverage over it. He says he talked to the resident and she wants to keep it as a ditch. Trustee Baugher says it is only a single-wall tile and it should be dual-wall. He thinks we can lower the tile a little bit to get more coverage. Trustee Distel will call and talk to the resident and see what she wants to do.

Trustee Distel asks Fiscal Officer Bates if she got Ellie Anderson what she needed for sending 3765 E. TR 122 to the land bank. Fiscal Officer Bates says yes, she sent her a resolution for it.

Trustee Distel says he is getting a lot of calls on the Energy Harbor rate. The rate jumped quite a bit and residents can compare what is available on the apples to apples website.

Trustee Distel says they talked to the road workers about getting a new laser. Parts are no longer available for our laser, but they can still do calibrations on it. There are 2 different models available. The GL412 is \$2,275, on sale for \$1,950. The GL612 is \$2,725, on sale for \$2,395. An additional sensor is available to be mounted on the backhoe and costs \$525. Trustee Distel says this would speed up jobs but our laser is still currently working. Trustee Schmitz says he will look up the differences between the models. Trustee Schmitz made a motion to purchase a new laser for the road department, seconded by Trustee Baugher. Mr. Schmitz – yes, Mr. Distel – yes, Mr. Baugher – yes.

Trustee Wilkinson asked about the St. Francis annexation and what fire department covered the house and barn. Trustee Baugher says he thinks Sycamore covers it all now and he remembers talking to someone about this last year. Fiscal Officer Bates found meeting minutes from November and says the county auditor says that the house has property taxes that go to Clinton Township for fire protection, but the other buildings taxes go to Eden Township.

Bills were presented to be paid:

12233	Christopher Hafley	wages	\$284.30
12234	Andrew Kimmet	wages	\$1272.10
12235	James Lang	wages	\$730.73
12236	Stephen Welter	wages	\$355.16
12237	Dennis Wilkinson	wages	\$45.00
12238	Stephen Welter	receipt book	\$10.26
12239	AT&T	township house phone	\$100.29
12240	Aqua OH	station #2	\$12.34
12241	Columbia Gas of Ohio	station #2	\$77.62
12242	Delta Dental Plan of Ohio	road worker dental premiums	\$20.84
12243	John Deere Financial	supplies	\$19.98
12244	Carey Precast Concrete Co.	catch basin grate	\$190.00
12245	Boy Scout Troop #499	annual road clean-up	\$400.00
12246	Great Lakes Specialty Equipment	fire fighting boots and gloves	\$244.00

12247	Kuhn Sales & Service	parts	\$15.75
12248	Colonial Life	accident & disability insurance policies	\$137.88
12249	John' Welding & Towing	Unit #34 – tow, service, ABS sensor	\$908.08

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Trustee Baugher made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 p.m., seconded by Trustee Schmitz. Mr. Schmitz – yes, Mr. Distel – yes, Mr. Baugher – yes.

James Distel, Ch., Trustee

Dennis Baugher, Trustee

Dan Schmitz, Trustee

Jennifer Bates, Fiscal Officer