

Clinton Township Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting  
March 13, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.

Trustee Dan Schmitz and Trustee Baugher answered roll call. Trustee Jim Distel was absent. Also present was Fiscal Officer Jennifer Bates.

Guests: Steve Welter, Chris Hafley, and Pat Bishop.

Correspondence: Grassroots Clippings – newsletter, Seneca County Board of Elections – May primary election info, Seneca County Engineer – utility permit, Mark Repp – invitation to fundraising event, Seneca County Health District – annual meeting agenda, OSS Solid Waste District – Solid Waste District Plan Ratification package, OSS Solid Waste District – recycling drop-off contamination project info

The minutes of the regular meeting held February 27, 2023 were read and approved.

Zoning Inspector Welter reports that he issued a fence permit for a resident on Winfield Dr. He also says Gary Bran called him after receiving his letter about parking his semi at Honeycreek. He only parks his semi there when he is running out of his 10 hours to drive and cannot make it back to Fostoria. He says Federal law says he is allowed to park on someone else's property as long as he has permission, and he gives himself permission to park on his property. Prosecutor Derek Devine says in this instance Federal law does not trump local zoning law.

Zoning Inspector Welter also spoke to a resident on SR 100 who owns 2 parcels. The back parcel has a duplex that he would like to convert back to a single, and he wants to put a house on the front parcel. Zoning Inspector Welter says the parcels are zoned Agricultural, but each parcel is only about .56 acres, and .75 acre is required if you tie into the city sewer or 1 acre for a septic system.

Zoning Inspector Welter says Mark Zimmerman inquired about putting a small microbrewery on his property and asked if he should re-zone or do a conditional use permit. Zoning Inspector Welter suggests a conditional use permit that would just stay in effect as long as Mr. Zimmerman lived there.

Zoning Inspector Welter also says he received a phone call from Claude Perry's attorney about driveway regulations. He advised him that the County Engineer issues our driveway permits.

Fire Chief Chris Hafley reports that he issued his 2022 year-end report. He also says last Friday he met with Andrew Welsh who is a field representative for ISO regarding our 5-year check. He provided him with all the information for apparatus and training. He said we met the required criteria and was impressed with our training hours. It will be 4-5 months before we get a summary of the visit and our rating. Chief Hafley says a few weeks ago a resident on TR 122 contacted him because her ISO rating on her insurance went up to 9.2 from 5.5. Chief Hafley will call her and say she can wait for the new rating to come out and Mr. Welsh suggests that she call her insurance agent because it does not sound right. Chief Hafley also says he has not heard anything new regarding truck #32.

Trustee Schmitz says ODOT says that since we have not had any accidents in front of the fire station, they do not see any need to put a sign on SR 101. Trustee Baugher asks if we want to put the flashing lights back up on the building and Chief Hafley says he thinks we should. Trustee Baugher will call Chuck Clouse. Chief Hafley also says that as soon as we get internet installed, they need to tie the fire alarm system into it.

Fiscal Officer Bates reports that on the Zoning Commission, Daryl Moyer's term expired on March 2, 2023. Also, on the Zoning Board of Appeals, Clair Forrest's term will expire on May 19, 2023 and Wayne

Smith’s health is failing and we may need to find a replacement for him soon. His term does not expire until 2025.

Fiscal Officer Bates says the re-building of the dump truck engine has already exhausted the Road and Bridge Fund’s Repairs and Maintenance monies. Trustee Baugher made a motion to make an appropriation transfer of \$15,000 in the Road and Bridge Fund from 2031-330-360-0000 Contracted Services to 2031-330-323-000 Repairs and Maintenance for the purpose of covering expenses for the remainder of the year. This was seconded by Trustee Schmitz. Mr. Schmitz – yes, Mr. Distel – absent, Mr. Baugher – yes.

Trustee Schmitz is going to purchase and install a drop-box in the township house for documents for Fiscal Officer Bates.

Bills were presented to be paid:

12687	Jennifer Bates	wages	\$1055.52
12688	Dennis Baugher	wages	\$971.88
12689	James Distel	wages	\$94.16
12690	Andrew Kimmet	wages	\$1295.43
12691	James Lang	wages	\$679.04
12692	Daniel Schmitz	wages	\$923.32
12693	AT&T	township house phone	\$102.61
12694	AEP Ohio	road lights	\$1058.00
12695	Aqua OH	station #2	\$13.92
12696	North Central Electric Co-op	road lights	\$8.13
12697	Bright Wireless	internet	\$86.91
12698	Rumpke of Ohio Inc.	monthly trash service	\$51.03
12699	Loyal American Life Insurance Co.	cancer insurance policies	\$66.40
12700	Central Ohio Farmers Co-op	fuel	\$867.77
12701	Great Lakes ACE Hardware	supplies	\$12.79
12702	Ag-Pro Ohio LLC	parts	\$5.94
12703	American Fire & Safety Services	inspect & recharge, fire suppression inspect.	\$458.00
12704	Sound Solutions of Ohio LLC	install lightning protection, batteries	\$1542.20
12705	John’s Welding & Towing	dump truck engine overhaul	\$14756.51
12706	OTARMA	insurance policy change for fire station	\$3400.00
12707	Clouse Construction Corp.	final bill for new fire station building	\$297557.00
17-2023	Treasurer of State of Ohio	February withholding	\$155.15
18-2023	Ohio Deferred Compensation	February withholding	\$910.00
19-2023	EFTPS	February withholding	\$1338.73

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Trustee Baugher made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m., seconded by Trustee Schmitz. Mr. Schmitz –yes, Mr. Distel – absent, Mr. Baugher – yes.

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Dan Schmitz, Ch., Trustee

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Dennis Baugher, Trustee

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Jim Distel, Trustee

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Jennifer Bates, Fiscal Officer  
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