

Clinton Township Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting
May 8, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.

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

Guests: Steve Welter, Jeff Bish, Tony Paradiso, and Tyler Shuff.

Correspondence: Grassroots Clippings – newsletter, M&B Asphalt – paving proposals, Seneca County Engineer – utility permit, OSS Solid Waste District – tire recycling info

The minutes of the regular meeting held April 24, 2023 were read and approved.

Zoning Inspector Steve Welter reports that Mrs. Kagy text him on April 29th that there was another wedding in the chapel at Tilly's with no occupancy permit. He checked with Richland County and they say the permit is still on hold because there are some items Mr. Gibson still needs to do. They are going to ask Mr. Gibson about using it with no permit and also about using his home.

Zoning Inspector Welter also says he took a variance application for an addition in Honeycreek, 2 pool permits, a permit for a roof over a patio, and a deck permit.

Resident Jeff Bish says he has no new information to add and Trustee Baugher says the neighboring property does have noxious weeds and need to be declared a nuisance. Trustee Baugher moved Resolution #2023-2, a resolution declaring the property at 2046 N. SR 53 a nuisance pursuant to O.R.C. 505.87. This was seconded by Trustee Distel. Mr. Schmitz – yes, Mr. Distel – yes, Mr. Baugher – yes. Fiscal Officer Bates will mail a certified letter to the property owner.

Trustee Baugher says we need to act on the proposals from M&B Asphalt for paving at Station #1. The Board discuss the proposals but needs more clarification on what each option entails. Trustee Baugher will check with Steve Bell. The Board agrees that the handicap accessible parking should be next to the ramp instead of in front of the building.

Trustee Baugher also says the shop does not have phone service and hasn't since we took the old township building down. We will either have to run a new line or put a bridge in. The Board agrees that putting in a bridge or repeater is the best option. Andy talked to Sound Solutions who said we would need to change all the phones but Clouse did not say anything about that. Trustee Baugher will check into it.

Trustee Distel says Chuck Wolf is asking who owns the tile behind his house. A house was built back there and the property owner cut the standpipe down and he is concerned it will affect the tile if it is cut too low. Trustee Baugher says it shouldn't affect the tile but he should talk to Soil & Water to see if it is on maintenance. Trustee Distel says he did call but they said they did not have any information about that tile. Trustee Baugher will ask Soil & Water about it.

Trustee Distel says a resident asked him if we could put the date, time, and temperature on our digital sign. He is going to check with the fire department to see if that is something we can do. Trustee Distel also says Lucius Fence finished the fence today and says Truck #34 is at Kellers.

Per the Fiscal Officer's request, Trustee Distel made a motion to request an amended certificate of estimated resources from the Seneca County Budget Commission to receive, appropriate, and expend

\$10,010.51 (Fund 9001) of insurance escrow money. This was seconded by Trustee Baugher. Mr. Schmitz – yes, Mr. Distel – yes, Mr. Baugher – yes.

Regarding a water softener from Culligan, Trustee Distel suggests leasing it instead of purchasing. Also, we do not need the battery back-up which should reduce the installation price and the monthly fee. Trustee Schmitz will talk to them and find out.

Trustee Schmitz asks what recourse we have at Tilly’s. Zoning Inspector Welter does not know who enforces the occupancy permits – if it is Richland County or our fire department.

Trustee Schmitz says he talked to JJ Miller about the property next to 571 E TR 122. He has a building permit and started clearing it out but there is no drainage there. The sump pump on 571 pumps onto this property. Mr. Miller wants to know if we can cut in a tile across the road to the big tile. Trustee Baugher says he would rather bore it than cut the road and says it should probably be a 6” tile.

County Commissioner Tony Paradiso says there was an indigent burial in 2018 of a man living at the Seneca Motel. Per ORC, Clinton Township needs to provide a stone at his grave. Welly’s Monument can provide a stone that matches the other grave markers for \$425. We should contact Tim to make arrangements to get it installed.

Commissioner Paradiso also discussed the health department and OSS Solid Waste District and how it relates to Sunny Farms Landfill. He explains that the OSS Solid Waste District board is comprised of 3 commissioners from each county- Ottawa, Sandusky, and Seneca. Sunny Farms writes checks to both the health department and the solid waste district. The health board has asked the commissioners to help get some money into Seneca County to pay for oversight of the landfill. \$1.8 million is going to OSS Solid Waste District and Seneca County’s Health Department only gets \$61,000. Sunny Farms provides over 90% of the income to the solid waste district while the landfill in Ottawa County provides less than 10% of the funding. ORC says a solid waste district has 2 functions – to recycle and educate, and to monitor and oversee disposal within the district. This makes it clear that OSS could provide money to Seneca County for oversight and monitoring of the landfill. The County has hired an attorney to help and has brought up a lot of information that they were not aware of. They have asked the solid waste district for funds to monitor air, water, and soil quality but the other board members argue that it is not their problem, but if we sign the plan renewal they say we can talk about it. Mr. Paradiso is asking everyone not to sign the plan so they have leverage to negotiate. He thinks \$300,000 to \$400,000 should be carved out of the \$1.8 million budget to go towards landfill oversight and monitoring. The OSS Solid Waste District is holding a special meeting on Wednesday to discuss it but he thinks we are running out of time to get it in the plan. Mr. Paradiso will let us know when we need to sign the plan and says it will probably need signed at our next meeting.

Trustee Schmitz asks if the 6” tile that runs down to Englehart’s starts at the catch basin and says it is not draining and there is water laying. Trustee Baugher says they have had debris get in it before and we may be able to take the top off and shove something in to get it unblocked.

Zoning Inspector Welter will ask Clair Forrest if he is willing to serve another term on the Zoning Board of Appeals. His current term expires on May 19th.

Trustee Schmitz will check with the land bank to get an update on 3765 E. TR 122.

Bills were presented to be paid:

12758	Jennifer Bates	wages	\$1055.52
12759	Dennis Baugher	wages	\$971.88

12760	James Distel	wages	\$4.16
12761	Andrew Kimmet	wages	\$1295.43
12762	James Lang	wages	\$796.09
12763	Daniel Schmitz	wages	\$923.32
12764	AT&T	township house phone	\$101.68
12765	AEP Ohio	township house, road lights, station #2	\$1191.99
12766	North Central Electric Co-op	road lights	\$8.13
12767	Bright Wireless	internet	\$84.91
12768	Aqua OH	fire hydrant service	\$12.39
12769	Postmaster – Tiffin	PO Box rental	\$114.00
12770	Rumpke of Ohio Inc.	monthly trash service	\$57.24
12771	Delta Dental Plan of Ohio	road worker dental premiums	\$27.14
12772	Loyal American Life Insurance Co.	cancer insurance policies	\$66.40
12773	Cardmember Services	drug license renewal	\$323.50
12774	Boy Scout Troop 499 – Clinton Twp	annual road cleanup	\$400.00
12775	Tiffin-Seneca Economic Partnership	annual dues	\$100.00
12776	American Fire & Safety Service	inspection and recharge	\$57.00
12777	Clouse Electric	pulled data cable	\$517.51
12778	Handy Grafix	chevron & reflective on Engine #32	\$720.00
12779	iPad Mobile Solutions LL	2023 1 st qtr IMS ePCR	\$300.00
12780	Diversified Graphics	checks & window envelopes	\$455.04
12781	DJL Material & Supply Inc.	roadsaver	\$5310.00
12782	Mohawk Supply	LED floodlight	\$67.60
12783	Streacker Tractor Sales Inc.	parts	\$19.20
12784	Ag-Pro Ohio LLC	parts	\$19.34
12785	Carquest Auto Parts Store Tiffin	parts/supplies	\$67.86
30-2023	Treasurer of State of Ohio	April withholding	\$157.99
31-2023	Ohio Deferred Compensation	April withholding	\$910.00
32-2023	EFTPS	April withholding	\$1337.10

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Trustee Baugher made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m., seconded by Trustee Distel. Mr. Schmitz –yes, Mr. Distel – yes, Mr. Baugher – yes.

Dan Schmitz, Ch., Trustee

Dennis Baugher, Trustee

Jim Distel, Trustee

Jennifer Bates, Fiscal Officer