

Clinton Township Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting  
September 11, 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, Chris Hafley, Ray Bishop, and Denny Kingseed.

Correspondence: Grassroots Clippings – newsletter, Seneca County Engineer – driveway permit, Seneca County Auditor – 2024 original certificate of estimated resources and levy rates and amounts

The minutes of the regular meeting held August 28, 2023 were read and approved.

Zoning Inspector Steve Welter reports that he received a phone call from Larry Garrett from Autumnwood asking if they could put in a couple shipping containers for storage behind Autumnwood. Mr. Welter says it would require a permit but there is nothing in zoning code forbidding it. He also says he issued a propane tank permit and received two more inquiries about solar developments. He has not heard back from Charlene Watkins at Regional Planning but plans to call the Eden Township zoning inspector and get a zoning meeting scheduled to review the solar development information from the township association. He also received some texts from Mrs. Kagy complaining about fireworks and noise at Tilly's which he forwarded to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mr. Welter also says he sent a letter to Mr. Gibson about the complaints and reminding him that he needs to update his parking plan and provide a copy of his sound abatement plan.

Fire Chief Chris Hafley says the ox roast planning is coming along well. They are going to clean the station and set up on Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup>. They purchased 1,500 lbs. of meat and hope to sell out. He also reports that they submitted the Gary Sinise Foundation grant for 10 sets of bunker gear. Chief Hafley says he received a phone call from Melissa Boyers from the EPA saying that an open burning complaint was made to them about 2130 N. SR 53. She is going to send them a warning letter and Chief Hafley is going to direct the department that if they get called there and it is not clean wood being burnt that the fire gets put out.

Chief Hafley says he and Assistant Chief Denny Wilkinson assisted at Seneca East's event representing out department and helping man the 9/11 traveling memorial. They are also going to have 3 units in the Heritage Festival parade this Saturday. Regarding training, Brittany Frederick starts Firefighter 1 classes tomorrow. She did receive the fire marshal grant that the school applied for, so most of her training will be paid for except for her physical and background check. Weston Wuescher's volunteer class starts on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

Chief Hafley says Denny Wilkinson is working on getting rid of our AFFF foam.. He found someone who will take it but is trying to find out what other county agencies have some so we can get a quote to share the cost of disposal. He also reports that he sent Micah Kirschner two emails asking him to repay his training costs because he resigned from the department before 2 years of service. He has not heard back and is going to mail him a certified letter this week. If we still do not get a response we will contact the prosecutor's office.

Trustee Baugher reports that there is about 20-25 feet on the corner of TR 122 that has not been bermed. He also thinks that we should have a heating contractor look at Station #2.

Trustee Distel asks if they put stone in the alley behind 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. and Trustee Schmitz says he has not talked to the road workers about it yet.

Trustee Distel moved Resolution #2023-18 accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor. This was seconded by Trustee Schmitz. Mr. Schmitz – yes, Mr. Distel – yes, Mr. Baugher – yes.

Trustee Distel says we received an email about the no trucks sign on TR 132. They said by the time they see the sign, truckers have already made the turn and asks if we can move the sign closer to SR 53. Trustee Distel says it may help to put signs on both sides of the street. Denny Kingseed says we need signs at the west end of TR 132 also. Trustee Schmitz will look at it.

Trustee Distel says he talked to Ryan Cook at ODOT, who spoke to the head engineer in charge of the SR 231 paving because we have received some complaints about the catch basins at the end of Siesta Dr. having a 4-6 inch drop off. They have also questioned why the no edge lines and uneven surface signs are still up. Ryan says the signs will stay up until all the check list items are complete, including the catch basins.

Trustee Distel did look into the grants available on the Ohio Bureau of Workers Compensation website. In addition to the safety and intervention grant, there is a trench safety grant. He printed off the information in case we were interested. He also says the \$200 Seneca County Township Association scholarship applications are due September 14<sup>th</sup>.

Bills were presented to be paid:

12951	Jennifer Bates	wages	\$1055.52
12952	Dennis Baugher	wages	\$971.88
12953	James Distel	wages	\$4.16
12954	Andrew Kimmet	wages	\$1295.43
12955	James Lang	wages	\$426.61
12956	Daniel Schmitz	wages	\$923.32
12957	AEP Ohio	township house, station #2	\$481.89
12958	Aqua OH	fire hydrant service	\$12.39
12959	North Central Electric Co-op	road lights	\$8.13
12960	Bright Wireless	internet	\$99.67
12961	Rumpke of Ohio Inc.	monthly trash service	\$58.49
12962	Loyal American Life Insurance Co.	cancer insurance policies	\$66.40
12963	Central Ohio Farmers Co-op	fuel	\$1323.80
12964	Streacker Tractor Sales Inc.	parts	\$34.00
12965	Advertiser Tribune	zoning ad	\$65.32
12966	Atlantic Emergency Solutions	pump tests	\$685.00
12967	John's Welding & Towing	parts	\$10.14
12968	Carquest Auto Parts Store	parts	\$17.26
12969	Clouse Electric	electrical work in fire station	\$9702.51
58-2023	EFTPS	August withholding	\$1302.35
59-2023	Treasurer of State of Ohio	August withholding	\$147.12
60-2023	Ohio Deferred Compensation	August withholding	\$1000.00

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Trustee Distel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m., seconded by Trustee Schmitz. Mr. Schmitz –yes, Mr. Distel – yes, 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