

Clinton Township Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting
January 29, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.

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

Guests: Steve Welter, Dennis Kingseed, Ray Bishop, and Chris Hafley.

Correspondence: Seneca County Engineer – invitation to annual meeting, Seneca County General Health District – annual meeting information

The minutes of the regular meeting held January 15, 2024 were read and approved.

Zoning Inspector Steve Welter reports that he received several emails from Cyprex Services regarding 3872 E. CR 50. They saw the old notice on the door regarding the yard needing mowed. He also received a call from a resident who bought a property on CR 19 that used to have a trailer on it. Mr. Welter says it is less than half an acre and former zoning inspector Bob Reinhart says it is grandfathered in so he may be able to put a house on it but will have to comply with current setback rules and get approval from the health department for a septic system. He also received several inquiries about the River's Edge property on TR 73. He contacted Ellie Anderson at the prosecutor's office about the flood plain but he still needs to do some research.

Fire Chief Chris Hafley reports that they have had 35 calls for service and 29 state fire reports year-to-date compared to last year with 38 calls and 33 fire reports. He also says the AFG grant has been submitted and the BWC safety grant has been submitted. They also submitted the state fire marshal's equipment grant for \$4,000 for new hose and an explosive gas meter. Chief Hafley says the engineer that was going to host the Tesla training is gone so it will have to be rescheduled. He also reports that the fire department's laptop they use to submit fire reports is 15 years old and has stopped working. They can get a Lenovo laptop for \$359.00 to replace it.

Chief Hafley says they have been using IMS to write and submit fire reports but when working on the AFG grant they had conflicting information on the number of reports that we wrote vs. what actually got submitted. He says we can now write and submit fire reports for free with the state fire marshal's office and Ben is writing an inspection reporting system to replace IMS so we can eliminate it and save the \$300/quarter it costs. Chief Hafley also says on February 8th they are having training for the I Am Responding program for the county and on February 11th the Skywarn program is having their training here.

Trustee Distel asks if Chief Hafley would like him to see if he can get someone from Ford to do an electric vehicle training. Chief Hafley says someone from Reineke came to a county fire association meeting with a truck and a Mustang to talk about them. Trustee Distel says he may be able to get someone to come do more training.

Resident Dennis Kingseed tells Zoning Inspector Welter that they have current flood plain maps at Regional Planning. Mr. Welter says they are available online as well.

Trustee Distel is unable to attend the Health Department's annual meeting on March 18th and he made a motion to appoint Trustee Schmitz to attend in his place. This was seconded by Trustee Kuhn. Mr. Schmitz – yes, Mr. Distel – yes, Mr. Kuhn – yes.

Trustee Distel made a motion to hire Rod Fry on an as-needed basis to plow snow with a pay rate not to exceed \$21/hour. This was seconded by Trustee Schmitz. Mr. Schmitz – yes, Mr. Distel – yes, Mr. Kuhn – yes. Mr. Fry has his CDL and used to plow snow for the State.

Trustee Distel spoke to Chance at WMS because there has been interest in the grader, but the potential buyers wanted to make sure had a chance to get the plow if they bought the grader, so the end date on the v-plow was backed up by one week.

Trustee Distel discussed the OSS Solid Waste District Grant and the possibility of buying benches made from recycled material for in front of the township house. Chief Hafley says Sam Faber is supposed to be building benches for his Eagle Scouts project. Trustee Distel suggests that we buy the material for the benches with the grant and give it to him to build them with. He says our match is 25% but we can use labor as our matching portion, although he’s not sure if Sam’s labor would be eligible. If not, perhaps the money he has raised for material costs could pay the 25% and the grant would cover the rest.

Trustee Distel says we were able to buy 4 tires on state bid at Wilson Tire for less than \$800. His cost at Ford is around \$250/tire, so it was a great deal.

Bills were presented to be paid:

13151	Andrew Kimmet	wages	\$1457.39
13152	James Lang	wages	\$359.40
13153	AEP Ohio	road lights	\$602.50
13154	AT&T	township house phone	\$107.53
13155	Columbia Gas of Ohio	station #2	\$103.06
13156	Delta Dental Plan of Ohio	road worker dental premium	\$27.96
13157	Colonial Life	accident & disability insurance policies	\$137.88
13158	DT Petroleum Service	propane	\$985.11
13159	Carquest Auto Parts Store	supplies	\$29.98
13160	John’s Welding & Towing	parts	\$52.53
13161	iPad Mobile Solutions LLC	2023 4 th Qtr. IMS ePCR	\$300.00
13162	Ohio First Responders Grants LLC	Grant writing contract FY2023 AFG	\$2500.00
13163	Wines Upholstery	dump truck seat repair	\$125.00
10-2024	OPERS	December withholding	\$2649.52

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Trustee Distel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m., seconded by Trustee Schmitz. Mr. Schmitz – yes, Mr. Distel – yes, Mr. Kuhn – yes.

Jim Distel, Ch., Trustee

Dan Schmitz, Trustee

Randy Kuhn, Trustee

Jennifer Bates, Fiscal Officer