

Clinton Township Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting
February 12, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.

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

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

Correspondence: Grassroots Clippings - newsletter

The minutes of the regular meeting held January 29, 2024 were read and approved.

Fiscal Officer Bates reports that the 2023 Annual Financial Report has been filed with the State Auditor's office and advertised in the newspaper that it is available for public inspection.

Zoning Inspector Steve Welter reports that Jim Lang called him regarding a resident inquiring about having chickens on Winfield Dr. Mr. Welter says it is zoned residential and farm animals would not be allowed. Trustee Distel thought that we allowed another resident to have them on Lelar but Fiscal Officer Bates found the meeting minutes from 2016 and says they were asked to remove them. Mr. Welter also reports that he issued a house permit on TR 1172 and says they were able to get approval for a septic system.

Mr. Welter says he attended the OTA conference and one presenter says that if we want to renew a levy, we cannot copy the old levy language and turn it in because there have been changes at the State House, so we will need to consult with our legal counsel. He also says presenters were advising us to contact our elected officials and say that we oppose HB 344 which would eliminate replacement levies.

Fire Chief Chris Hafley says they have been working on the switch from IMS to the State Fire Marshal's reporting system. He and Capt. Bishop like it because it requires the mandatory fields to be filled in before you can submit. Their goal is to switch over by March 1st but they are having issues with IMS because December and January's fire reports have not been submitted to the State yet, and IMS is supposed to submit every Saturday.

Chief Hafley says the BWC safety grant for the battery-operated rescue tools has moved to the next level. He also says they would like to put push-button locks on the radio room doors and can get them for around \$65 each. He also reports that they supplied mutual aid to Republic for a barn fire on Saturday.

Resident Dennis Kingseed asks Chief Hafley if he has any update about the eclipse. Chief Hafley says plans are still being made and says the City of Tiffin is posting 5 ambulances and we will probably man the stations but do not know what days. He also says local departments are talking about staging some vehicles. Trustee Distel says we need to be prepared for all the additional locations that are opening up camping sites.

Trustee Schmitz asks what we want to do about a barrier to protect the generator from being hit. Trustee Distel also thinks we should put a pole at the back corner of the building to protect the building from being hit with a trailer like Station #2. Jim Lang says we put in the pole at Station #2 ourselves. Trustee Schmitz will draw something up for the generator.

Trustee Schmitz says we have to re-do the mounts for the gear washing machine. He has pricing coming for materials and says he'll need Jim Lang's help to move the machines. Trustee Schmitz says we need to discuss hiring maintenance personnel and Trustee Distel says the person he had in mind is not interested.

We also need to hire a new zoning inspector and Trustee Distel will call Jeff Hohman to see if he is still interested.

Trustee Distel reports that he did the Sunshine Laws public records training on February 7th but the certificate is not online yet. He also says DT Petroleum never sent us the pre-buy bill or paperwork and they are adjusting our pricing to match the \$1.499 and giving us a credit for the gallons we have purchased so far. They will send us pre-buy information in June.

Bills were presented to be paid:

13164	Jennifer Bates	wages	\$877.31
13165	James Distel	wages	\$8.74
13166	Andrew Kimmet	wages	\$1361.81
13167	Randy Kuhn	wages	\$918.16
13168	James Lang	wages	\$320.70
13169	Daniel Schmitz	wages	\$864.37
13170	Brittany Frederick	wages	108.05
13171	AEP Ohio	station #2, township house	\$609.52
13172	Aqua OH	fire hydrant service	\$13.10
13173	North Central Electric Co-op	road lights	\$8.13
13174	Bright Wireless	internet	\$99.67
13175	Loyal American Life Insurance Co.	cancer insurance policies	\$83.00
13176	DT Petroleum	propane	\$2763.71
13177	Culligan of Tiffin	softener lease	\$56.00
13178	Central Ohio Farmers Co-op	fuel	\$473.25
13179	Elan Financial Services	W-2 envelopes	\$27.83
13180	Carquest Auto Parts Store	supplies	\$45.36
13181	Ag-Pro Ohio LLC	parts	\$6.80
13182	Great Lakes ACE Hardware	supplies	\$26.23
13183	Kevin Hoover	Brush #35 electronic flasher	\$18.99
13184	911 Fleet and Fire Equipment	firefighting gloves	\$788.00
13185	Clinton Township Vol. Fire Dept.	laptop	\$359.00
13186	Premier Physician Services Inc.	medical director services	\$2000.00
13187	Eagle Engraving	ID tags	\$117.40
13188	Column Software PBC	legal notice for annual financial report	\$43.24
13189	Seneca County Treasurer	special assessments	\$700.64
11-2024	Treasurer of State of Ohio	January withholding	\$177.18
12-2024	Ohio Deferred Compensation	January withholding	\$920.00
13-2024	EFTPS	January withholding	\$1448.16

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Trustee Distel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m., seconded by Trustee Schmitz. Mr. Schmitz – yes, Mr. Distel – yes.

Jim Distel, Ch., Trustee

Dan Schmitz, Trustee

Randy Kuhn, Trustee

Jennifer Bates, Fiscal Officer