

Clinton Township Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting
February 26, 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, Denny Wilkinson, Jim Lang, Ray Bishop, and Paul Shoemaker.

Correspondence: Seneca County Engineer – driveway permit

The minutes of the regular meeting held February 12, 2024 were read and approved.

Zoning Inspector Steve Welter reports that he took phone calls about setbacks for an addition and a permit for a house. He also took a call about running a construction business on N. SR 53 and says the property is zoned General Business but the business can only be operated in-doors. He says he is just going to be storing his equipment in a building.

Assistant Chief Denny Wilkinson thanked Trustee Schmitz and Jim Lang for getting the gear washer operational again. He also says Jeff Bish is complaining about open burning at his neighbor's property so Chief Hafley is drafting a letter to the resident and also going to have the sheriff's department go out and issue a report. Asst. Chief Wilkinson also says they met about the upcoming solar eclipse, and they plan to man the stations beginning at noon on Sunday, April 7th.

Trustee Schmitz says we should get a light out by the fuel pumps so they can see. He also asks what we are going to do with the old generator and says the fire department asks if we can move it to station #2. Asst. Chief Wilkinson says it was without power earlier in the week and they would have to manually open the overhead doors. The Board thinks it is a great idea and Trustee Distel will call Clouse Electric to get a quote on installing it.

Paul Shoemaker asks if he can use the recycling drop-off even though his house is not built yet and the Board says he can.

Trustee Distel turned in his Sunshine Laws training record. He also says the grader is currently up for bid and bids close on Wednesday. There are currently no bids but they have had phone calls and WMS expects bid activity during the last hour of the auction.

Trustee Distel says Chris Magers at Clinton Heights Golf Course called and says they are going to have parking for cars during the eclipse and asked about putting up temporary parking signs 14 days in advance. He directed him to contact Zoning Inspector Welter. If roads are jammed we can also direct people to go park there. Also, Mohawk Local Schools sent out a newsletter with tips for the eclipse including having plenty of food and water at your home before April 5th and switching your cell phones to wi-fi calling.

Trustee Distel says Mike Elchert recently rebuilt a salt spreader and has it for sale. He wants \$3,500 for it. The Board discussed getting it for the pick-up truck and Trustee Kuhn says he is concerned about getting salt all over the back of the truck. Trustee Distel and Jim Lang discussed taking it out with the backhoe when they are not using it so the truck can be cleaned out. Trustee Distel made a motion to purchase the stainless-steel slide-in salt spreader from Mike Elchert for \$3,500, seconded by Trustee Schmitz. Mr. Schmitz – yes, Mr. Distel – yes, Mr. Kuhn – yes.

Trustee Distel says Chuck Consolo is in charge of the 60th anniversary party for the Eagle Scouts. They aren't sure when they are going to have it, but wants to put up a plaque honoring their 49 Eagle Scouts. Trustee Distel told him to work with Chief Hafley to get the plaque approved and party scheduled.

Asst. Chief Wilkinson says there is a meeting about the solar eclipse tomorrow at 9:00am at the public safety building.

Trustee Distel says he has a Council of Governments meeting on March 21st and they are going to dissolve the organization.

Bills were presented to be paid:

13190	Christopher Hafley	wages	\$337.63
13191	Andrew Kimmet	wages	\$1433.48
13192	James Lang	wages	\$359.40
13193	Stephen Welter	wages	\$242.40
13194	Dennis Wilkinson	wages	\$67.50
13195	AEP Ohio	road lights	\$562.32
13196	Columbia Gas of Ohio	station #2	\$126.99
13197	Aqua OH	station #2	\$14.80
13198	Rumpke of Ohio Inc	monthly trash service	\$64.28
13199	Delta Dental Plan of Ohio	road worker dental premiums	\$27.96
13200	John Deere Financial	supplies	\$99.96
13201	Kalida Truck Equipment Inc.	heavy flail knife	\$239.08
13202	Clouse Electric	overhead phone line	\$1588.00
13203	Clinton Township Vol. Fire Dept.	misc. supplies	\$541.41
13204	Stephen Welter	OTA conference expenses	\$578.18
13205	Colonial Life	accident & disability insurance policies	\$104.40

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Trustee Distel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 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