

Clinton Township Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting

Aug 12, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.

All board members answered Roll Call Trustee Dan Schmitz, Trustee Jim Distel, Trustee Randy Kuhn and Fiscal Officer Steve Welter.

Guests: Chris Hafley, Pat Bishop, Jeff Hohman, Dennis Kingseed and members of the Watson family.

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

Correspondence

Fiscal Officer Welter reported that he received a letter from the Seneca Township Association announcing their September meeting on the 12th reservations needed to be in by September 2. Fiscal Officer Welter reported that he forwarded an e-mail from Derek Devine to the Trustees and Zoning Inspector Hohman. Derek reported that he has received a letter from Sherriff Stephens about residents calling just to log a complaint about EZ-tree service starting work prior to their approved time by the zoning board of appeals. Sherriff Stephens feels the calls are excessive and wanted to know what could be done.

Fiscal Officer Welter reported that we received a letter from Schilling Propane that they purchase DT Petroleum.

A letter was also received from AT&T that they had a data incident that included some of our data.

A letter was received from Central Ohio Farmers Cooperative updating our stock position with them. They increased the par value of their shares from \$10.00 to \$1000.00 a couple of years ago and are using dividends to bring everyone up to the full \$1000.00.

Ken Watson reported that they were told by Clean Footprint to come to the meeting. He said there must have been some miscommunication because no one from that company is here. The Watsons explained that they were in the process of installing Solar on their property on Township Road 132. Fiscal Officer Welter reported that when he was zoning inspector he had submitted a proposed solar regulation^{6y} to the zoning board. They wanted something simpler. A simpler proposal was sent for their review they just need to meet and approve it. Fiscal Officer Welter explained the process to the Watsons. Zoning Inspector Hohman reported that he talked to some one at Clear Footprint. They sent him a print out of the location. Discussion was held on what Seneca County allows for Solar. Mr. Watson stated the they believe we need more sources of electricity. He feels we will be experiencing problems in the future. Mr. Watson asked where we go from here. Fiscal Officer Welter said he would contact the zoning board to find out when the meeting for the solar regulation would be held.

Chief Hafley reported that the fire department has responded to 286 calls year-to-date last year at this time they had 257. Of those calls 249 were for fire. Last year 197 were for fire. Calls continue to go up considerably. Chief Hafley reported that the grain tube training will be August 20th at 6:00 pm. he said this will be a great benefit for the township and county. Chief Hafley reported that the department still has to be trained on the Amacus tools high pressure air bags. He said he thought that it will be in September. He reported that they will finish hose testing with engine 32 this Wednesday.

He said it works out well doing at the station. Chief Hafley reported that both engines passed their pump tests. Engine 32 had a relief valve that was leaking and will be repaired. He reported that they did an inspection at Sentinel Career Center and they passed.

Zoning Inspector Hohman reported he continues to receive txt from a city resident about 1778 E County Road 19/EZ Tree Service. He said he has received fourteen since Friday afternoon. He said all but one complaint is within the time frames that EZ tree service is approved to operate from the Zoning board of Appeals. Zoning Inspector Hohman asked what the trustees would like him to do. Zoning Inspector Hohman explained what the Zoning Board of Appeals approved for EZ Tree Service to operate. Zoning Inspector Hohman and Fiscal Officer Welter reported that there have been previous complaints about noise that were found not to be EZ tree service but the City working on Marilyn St and a neighbor behind EZ trees service renovating a house for a bed and breakfast. Zoning inspector Hohman said he contacted Derek Devine about his email and will set up a meeting with him to discuss a course of action. He will keep the trustees informed as developments progress.

Zoning Inspector Hohman asked if there was a minimum for a variance request from the ten-foot setback for accessory buildings. The Trustees responded that there were no minimums.

Zoning Inspector Hohman inquired about a resident asking about putting a modular home on a property that is less than an acre. It was determined that the property in question was platted before the current 1-acre restriction. The resident would still have to comply with current set backs and get approval from the health department for septic.

Fiscal Officer Welter reported that he is working on some suggestions from the Risk management auditor from OTARMA. He said he will need to get with the Trustees to ask some questions.

Trustee Kuhn reported that he received an inquiry from a resident about 8 9th avenue about junk vehicles at the residence, not being mowed in a timely manner and debris in the yard. Trustee Distel and Schmidz said they would go out and take a look at it.

Trustee Schmitz reported that Tiffin Deluxe will be working at station number 2 tomorrow installing the back-flow preventer required by Aqua.

Fiscal Officer Welter reported that he received a \$1000.00 check from Cypress Services in repayment of the mowing of county road 50.

Trustee Distel reported that we did not receive the grant from OSS to extend the fences at station 2. He said that they will be offering grants again the first of the year. It was determined that we would wait for the next round of grants.

Trustee Distel reported that we did not receive the grant for the generator at station number 2.

Bills were presented to be paid:

54-2024 Ohio Public Employess Retirement	\$2,840.50
55-2024 Bureau of Workers Comp	\$32.20
57-2024 Treasurer State of Ohio	\$181.35
58-2024 EFTPS	\$819.42
59-2024 Ohio Public Employees Retirement	\$2,310.78
13455 James Distel	\$4.72
13456 Andres Kimmet	\$1,361.82
13457 Randy Kuhn	\$1,009.04
13458 Daniel Schmitz	\$944.74
13459 Stephen Welter	\$1,723.94
13460 Turco & Sons	\$53.00
13462 Auditor of State	\$287.00
13462 Loyal American life Insurance	\$66.40
13463 North Central Electric	\$8.13
13464 AEP Ohio	\$614.65
13465 Samuel Allen	\$149.00
13466 Lowes	\$160.36
13467 Tiffin Farmers Co-op	\$79.00
13468 Culligan of Tiffin	\$76.00
13469 Central Ohio Farmers Co-op	\$982.05
13470 Great Lakes Ace Hardware	\$89.59
Total	\$13,798.69

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Trustee Distel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 p.m., seconded by Trustee Schmitz. Mr. Kuhn – yes, Mr. Distel – yes. Mr. Schmitz – yes.

Jim Distel, Ch., Trustee

Dan Schmitz, Trustee

Randy Kuhn, Trustee

Steve Welter, Fiscal Officer