

Clinton Township Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting

Sept 23, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.

The following board members answered Roll Call Trustee Dan Schmitz, Trustee Jim Distel and Fiscal Officer Steve Welter. Trustee Randy Kuhn entered the meet shortly after it began.

Guests: Chris Hafley, Ray Bishop, Jeff Hohman, Dennis Kingseed, and Tiffin Fire Chief Rob Chappel.

The minutes of the regular meeting held September 9, 2024 were read and approved.

Correspondence

Fiscal Officer Welter reported that we received a letter from OTARMA announcing elections for directors along with instruction on who is eligible to apply.

Received a letter from KLA Risk Consulting summarizing a meeting held with Fiscal Officer Welter previously along with a list of recommendations. Copies of the recommendations were passed out to the Trustees and Fire Chief.

Received a letter from Michelle Cochran Fostoria Economic and Development Grant News Letter.

Received an email from Ohio Department of Taxation Etax services about what is coming. Update to paying sales and use tax.

Received an email from Lisa Tracy Seneca County Engineer's office regarding our road salt pick up schedule and contact information.

Received the minutes from the Zoning Board meeting from last Wednesday with recommendations to add for Solar installations.

Chief Hafley reported that the department has had 333 calls for service year to date. 293 were reported to the Ohio State Fire Marshal's office. Last year at this time the department had 308 calls for service with 240 reported to the state fire marshal's office. Monday the 30th the BWC Safety Grand inspector will be coming out to verify that we did purchase everything for the grant that we received. Chief Hafley reported that average time for the year for reposne time from dispatch to on scene is 6.72 minutes. We have only missed one call out of 28 total calls for the month. Chief Hafley reported that the department has been meeting to prepare for the ox roast coming up Sunday.

Tiffin Fire Chief Rob Chappel presented the renewal for the services for 2025 – 2026. Chief Chappel reported that they received 305 calls for service year to date with 264 being EMS, and 22 motor vehicle crashes. Last year total calls were 293 with 249 being EMS. Chief Chappel reported that past Trustee Baugher inquired with the city administrator about previous rates for ambulance coverage. He said previous rates were based on a rate of 100.00 per call. Chief Chappel said that agreement was put in place many years ago. He said that they are looking at being able to bill Medicare for some of the runs. The State unlocked the potential to bill Medicare that will not start

until 2026. They also have a new EMS billing company. He said that they are trying some new things to help keep costs down. The new contract is at \$42,000.00 for 2025, and \$44,000.00 for 2026.

Trustee Schmitz made a motion to accept the contract. Trustee Kuhn seconded. Trustee Kuhn Y, Trustee Distel Y, Trustee Schmitz Y. Motion Carried.

Dennis Kingseed questioned why at the last meeting we bought new hose if the hoses passed the safty inspection. It was explained to Mr. Kingseed that current hoses were over 20 years old and new hoses being purchased were going to be different colors for each truck for identification purposes. The old hose would be used as backup hoses. We have no backup hoses currently.

Zoning inspector Hohman reported that he had nothing to report.

Trustee Distel reported that he talked to Troy Huth from Hopewell Township at the quarterly township meeting. He said they added Solar regulations and asked if we have received any requests for marijuana/Cannabis dispensaries. Trustee Distel then contacted Jeff Smith zoning inspector for Hopewell township and talked to him about solar regulations and cannabis dispensary.

Trustee Distel reported that he spoke to both Jim Lang and Andy Kimmet about October 11th salt delivery and they said that should not be a problem. Trustee Distel said we need to find a replacement for Grant Kneeskern on the Zoning Board since he past away. Trustee Distel reported that Clouse construction fixed one of the out door lights that was flickering under warranty. They are also going to look at the gutter that is leaking. Trustee Distel asked Fiscal Officer Welter if he received anything from Centrial Ohio Farmers about chashing in the stock. Fiscal Officer Welter reported that he did and completed the paperwork and returned it. Fiscal Officer Welter also reported that he received a dividend check of \$4.62 from Sunrise Cooperative a previous vendor.

Trustee Distel reported that he got a call form a Honey Creek resident asking about a shed at the entrance to the subdivision if there was funds available to rebuild it. Trustee Distel told him that was up to the subdivision not the township. The resident said he would bring it up at there next subdivision meeting.

Discussion was held on solar regulations.

Trustee Distel reported that he went by 9th ave and said it looks like they have started cleaning up the yard. The auto's are still there. He said he spoke to the resident and they said that they are working on it. One of the unlicensed vehicles is promised to someone. It was determined that they be given another two weeks.

Trustee Distel made a motion to set a special meeting for the proposed solar regulations for October 21, 2024 at 6:45 p.m. Trustee Kuhn seconded. Trustee Kuhn Y, Trustee Distel Y, Trustee Schmitz Y. Motion carried.

Bills were presented to be paid:

65-2024 Ohio Deferred Compensation	\$1,017.00
13501 Christopher Hafley	\$326.83
13502 Jeff Hohman	\$220.66
13503 Andrew Kimmet	\$ 1,361.81
13504 Dennis Wilkinson	\$67.50

13505 Advanced Auto Parts	\$151.08
13506 Colonial Life	\$137.88
13507 Great Lakes Ace	\$8.59
13508 Columbia Gas	\$51.00
13509 Tiffin Tool rental	\$100.00
13510 Heidelberg Materials Midwest AGG	\$1,372.15
13511 Tri County Sealing	\$5,911.00
Total	\$10,725.50

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Trustee Distel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 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