

## Clinton Township Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting

January 27, 2025 – 6:00 p.m.

The Following board members answered Roll Call Trustee Jim Distel, Trustee Randy Kuhn and Fiscal Officer Steve Welter. Trustee Schmitz was absent.

Guests: Jeff Hohman, Dennis Kingseed, Dennis Wilkson and Chief Chris Hafley.

The minutes of the regular meeting held January 13, 2025 were read and approved.

Trustee Distel made a motion to accept the minutes of the Organizational meeting and special meeting. Trustee Kuhn seconded. Trustee Distel Y, Trustee Kuhn Y.

### Correspondence

Fiscal Officer Welter reported that we received an email from Julie Adkins about the Seneca Reginal Planning meeting on February 5, 2025 along with an agenda. He also reported receiving the following checks KRSNA Hospitality LLC \$16,214.80, Seneca Motel \$429.14 for quarterly Hotel-Motel Tax. Check from Scipio Township for \$705.00 for use of Crack Seal Machine. We received the annual inventory from Andy. We also received a letter from ATT that March 17, 2025 we will not be able to purchase new lines in our current network or be able to move them.

Dennis Wilkson reported that they were not going to fix the generator on engine 32. He reported that you can't get parts for it. Mr. Wilkson said they were going to need two scene lights. He said that is mainly what the generator was used for. He reported that newer scene lights are LED and do not take as much power. Mr. Wilkson said he could get them through Jeff Huber for \$1,549.00 He requested permission to order them. Trustee Distel said you have to have them.

Trustee Distel asked how things went with the University Apartment fire. Chief Hafley said they were never dispatched. He said he spoke to Chief Rob Chapple and he said they requested a second alarm and skipped the first alarm. Clinton is on the first alarm list.

Chief Hafley reported that we are up 37 runs. At the end of January last year, we had 35 runs. Chief Hafley wanted to clarify about the EMR training. He said he wanted to verify it was ok to go ahead with it. He said they are planning to start the second Saturday in February. He said the cost will be \$5075.00. Trustee Distel said he was ok with doing it but asked if we could get an agreement that they committee to stay. Chief Hafley said he would use the same agreement for other trainings. Chief Hafley said we need to replace our thermal imager. He said he is finishing up the fire grant that we could possible use that towards the imager. He said they cost roughly around \$8,000.00. He said the imager will help find hot spots inside walls and searching for victims in fires.

Zoning inspector Hohman reported that he has a variance and has not been able to get a hold of Gary Cole. He said at the last meeting they had he was going to be gone for three weeks. He said that Mr. Welter said if you left him a message he would get back to you when he gets back. Zoning Inspector Hohman reported that he had a complaint on Township Road 165 about neighbors' dogs are barking excessively. He said they have twelve dogs on the property. He said our zoning book says that if

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you have anymore than four animals you would need a conditional use for a kennel. A kennel is defined as having four or more animals or raising them for sale. Trustee Distel said that one complaint is enough to go out and talk to them. Zoning Inspector Hohman said he would go and talk to them.

Fiscal Officer Welter reported that we need two motions. One to reallocate funds and one to apply for the OSS Grant.

Trustee Kuhn made a motion 2025-02 to have Jim Distel apply for a grant from OSS to extend the fence at Station Number 2. Trustee Distel second. Mr. Kuhn Y, Mr. Distel Y, Motion Carried.

Trustee Distel made a motion 2025-03 to reallocate \$400.00 from 2192-220-212 other expenses to 2192-220-212 Social Security. Trustee Kuhn seconded. Trustee Kuhn Y, Trustee Distel Y, motion carried.

Dennis Kingseed asked how far they were extending the fence at Station two. Trustee Distel explained to him what they planned to do.

Fiscal Office Welter presented a utility permit from AEP for the Trustees to approve.

Trustee Kuhn asked why there was an odor in the new building. Discussion was held on the water heater emitting the odor. Trustee Distel said he has a call into Clouse Construction to see if it is still under warranty.

Trustee Distel reported that Truck 3 the check engine light is on. Andy took it to Keller's and it needs a sensor.

Discussion was held on issue one Money. Mike Steyer sent an email to see if any townships would be interested in going together to see if they could get a better price combining projects. Trustee Distel said our roads are in fairly good shape. We were talking about doing some of the cul-de-sacs with issue one money this year. He said due to time restraints the township would not be able to them filled in and ready by the dead line they gave.

Trustee Distel received an email from the auditor's office verifying information on their web site about the township. Discussion was held on the zoning map online how it is updated. Discussion was held on regional planning, and the annual meeting.

Trustee Distel received an email from auditor of state reminding of the public records training.

Trustee Distel messaged Gary Clicks office about House Bill 315. One of the components is clarifying how public notices are handled for meetings. When the bill takes effect, we will not have to publish an ad in the newspaper. The Alternatives to the public notice requirements are posting on our website or purchasing digital advertising by the required time.

Trustee Distel reported that Trustee Schmitz emailed him that Rayne Smith assured him that the house on Township Road 122 will be torn down and the property cleared and will be auction with in thirty days for the back taxes. The gentleman who claimed he bought it on land contract has been moving things off the property.

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Trustee Distel updated us on the Solar regulations. Trustee Distel said that before we issue a permit we must refer them to the engineer’s office and have them get a RUMA from the engineer’s office. The RUMA spells out what they need to do if they damage the roads during installation.

Bills were presented to be paid:

2-2025 Ohio Deferred Compensation	\$1,017.00
3-2025 Ohio Public Employees Retirement	\$2,371.29
4-2025 Treasure of State of Ohio	\$228.31
6-2025 Auditor of State UAN quarter fees	\$844.00
13686 Christopher Hafley	\$337.63
13687 Jeffrey Hohman	\$242.67
13688 Andrew Kimmet	\$1,686.59
13689 Dennis Wilkson	\$67.50
13690 Columbia Gas	\$158.92
13691 Sacksteder Worland Insurance	\$1,318.00
13692 Colonial Life	\$137.88
13693 Delta Dental	\$1,026.49
13694 John’s Welding & Towing	\$534.50
13695 AEP Ohio	\$583.04
13696 Lexipol	\$3,753.55
13697 Morgan White Administrators	\$884.52
Total	\$14,194.52

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Trustee Distel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m., seconded by Trustee Kuhn. Mr. Kuhn – yes, Mr. Distel Y

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Jim Distel, Ch., Trustee

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Dan Schmitz, Trustee

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Randy Kuhn, Trustee

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Steve Welter, Fiscal Officer