Clinton Township Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting

May 24, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.

All Board members answered roll call – Trustee Dennis Baugher, Trustee Dennis Moyer, Trustee James Distel, and Fiscal Officer Jennifer Bates.

Guests: Dennis Wilkinson, Dave Knowles, and Dennis Kingseed.

Correspondence: Seneca County Prosecutor – email regarding selling fire gear via online auction, Red Cross Northwest Ohio Region – email regarding volunteer opportunities, Seneca County Prosecutor – email regarding full-time status for township employees, Seneca County Regional Planning – notice of public hearing #2 for Community Block Development Grant, Seneca County Township Association – meeting information, Great Lakes Community Action Partnership – info regarding Community Housing and Impact Preservation Program

The minutes of the regular meeting held May 10, 2021 were read and approved.

Fiscal Officer Bates reports that the Aqua OH water bill for station #2 was unusually high this month. The bill says we used over 36,000 gallons of water between April 5th and May 4th. She called the water company and they instructed us to make sure there is not a toilet leaking and also said there is a leak indication dial on the meter that we can check. If there is a leak we will need to get it repaired. The Board says they will look into it.

Asst. Chief Denny Wilkinson thanked the Board for cooperating with the fire department while Chief Bishop has been out on medical leave. He says the guys have done a good job of stepping up. He also asked Trustee Baugher if he has checked Truck #32. He noticed that the pump switch was on which could cause it to leak. Trustee Baugher asked about the equipment truck and Asst. Chief Wilkinson said it is good. It is going back to Keller’s tomorrow for some additional work along with the boat so they can figure out the hitch and wiring.

Trustee Distel made a motion to pass Resolution 2021-1, a resolution authorizing the sale of old unused fire equipment and gear via auction and/or online auction. This was seconded by Trustee Baugher. Mr. Moyer – yes, Mr. Distel – yes, Mr. Baugher – yes.

The Board discussed who would be conducting the auction. Asst. Chief Wilkinson said it would be better to have someplace like Watson conduct the auction rather than use GovDeals.com. We don’t have time to manage it on our own and we should use someone with experience. Trustee Distel said we may be able to take everything to Shorty’s Auctions and have him list it. Trustee Moyer questioned how far his advertising reaches and says the specialty items like the air packs will likely not get sold to local buyers. Trustee Distel asked if no one wanted anything as a donation and Trustee Moyer said he never heard anything back from anyone. Trustee Baugher said he heard on the radio about a fire department in the Sandusky area that donated 35 sets of fire gear to Ehove for training purchases. Asst. Chief Wilkinson said they may be able to use the air packs for training. They will look into it.

Trustee Distel says he was at the township house last Monday evening in case anyone wanted to drop off Statements of Qualifications for the township building addition. He did not receive any additional submissions.

Trustee Distel also says the City Engineer called about the paving of Tyber Rd. and whether they needed to bid their portion separately. He is going to call Dave Kin at the county engineer’s office to see how they figured it.

Trustee Distel asks the Board if they wanted to discuss the personnel policy’s definition of full-time status. He would not have a problem changing full-time status to 32 hours to accommodate Jim Lang’s desire to work 32 hours and stay full-time with benefits. Trustee Moyer asks what we are going to do if Andy decides he only wants to work 32 hours also. Trustee Distel says we will want the road workers to work 40 hours when there are things to do, but he thinks we will get Jim to stay with the township longer if we let him leave when there isn’t much to do such as when it is raining. Trustee Moyer says he doesn’t care if Jim goes to part-time but he doesn’t think the township should have to pay his benefits. Trustee Baugher says he agrees and said that when they met with him, Jim said he wanted to go to part-time and work whenever he wanted to work instead of retiring. Trustee Distel says his impression is that Jim would like to stay on at 32 hours with benefits and that the cost of his cancer insurance and dental insurance is minimal. He would like to try to keep him on as long as we can because good people are hard to find right now. Trustee Moyer said he will talk to him again.

Trustee Moyer says we need to get with Craig Lucius to set up some dates to talk to the contractors who submitted statements of qualifications for the design-build of the fire station addition.

Bills were presented to be paid:

11757 Fred Bishop wages $285.36

11758 Andrew Kimmet wages $1164.61

11759 James Lang wages $1402.65

11760 Stephen Welter wages $220.36

11761 Dennis Wilkinson wages $45.00

11762 Columbia Gas of Ohio station #2 $43.88

11763 John Deere Financial supplies $20.97

11764 Advertiser Tribune statement of qualifications ad $227.20

11765 Mercy Occupational Health -Tiffin Physical – Brok Eckleberry $530.25

11766 Great Lakes Specialty Equipment nozzle shutoffs, tips, shapers $1287.53

11767 Advanced Auto Parts lithium grease $45.90

11768 AutoZone parts $15.27

11769 Aqua OH station #2 $382.78

11770 Jennifer Bates title for equipment truck $23.50

36-2021 EFTPS April withholding $1351.41

37-2021 Treasurer of State of Ohio April withholding $203.30

38-2021 Ohio Deferred Compensation April withholding $835.00

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Trustee Distel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m., seconded by Trustee Baugher. Mr. Moyer – yes, Mr. Distel – yes, Mr. Baugher – yes.

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Dennis Moyer, Ch., Trustee James Distel, Trustee Dennis Baugher, Trustee

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Jennifer Bates, Fiscal Officer