

## Clinton Township Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting

Aug 11, 2025 – 6:00 p.m.

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

Guests: Jeff Hohman, Chris Hafley, Garrett Gaietto, and Dennis Kingseed.

The minutes of the regular meeting, and special meeting held July 28, 2025 were read and approved.

### Correspondence

Fiscal Officer Welter reported that he received several emails from Derek Devine and the Seneca County Board of Elections and that they now have Fire Levy information worked out. Fiscal Officer Welter reported that he received an email from Michelle Cochran grant wrighter for Fostoria Economic and Development Corporation with instructions for completing issue one paper work for next year. Trustee Distel asked if we received the estimate for the missing road to include with issue one. Fiscal Officer Welter said that he did, and it is included. He said he would forward a copy to the Trustees. Fiscal Officer Welter reported that he had a zoom call from a text my government service. This service would help with communications for residents. Residence would be able to txt one number and it could be forwarded to the correct phone number for a response. The cost of the Service was four thousand dollars annually with a two thousand dollar set up fee the first year. The Trustees said that the cost was prohibitive. They also did not feel our residence would use it yet. Fiscal Officer Welter also said he received an email from Dave Zigler about the Seneca County Township dinner in September with reservation instructions. Reservations need to be in by September 1. Fiscal Officer Welter also reported that we received a driveway permit from the Seneca County Engineers office to approve.

Chief Hafley reported that July was a busy month. July of 24 we had 45 this year we had 50. 2024 the department had 286 runs year to date. 2025 we have had 309 year to date. July and August we had 1 mutual aid 297 EMS calls 2 motor vehicle crashes. July response time is 4.4 minutes. Last Thursday Deputy Chief Wilkson did the final inspection for Sentinel before school opens. The other written proposal for a fire engine needed some corrections and should be finished shortly.

Dennis Kingseed asked if anyone thought about calling in retired road worker Jim Lange to help with mowing the ditches to get caught up. Trustee Schmitz asked if he could see over the weeds on 155. Mr. Kingseed said a little bit. Discussion was held on a couple of hard to see intersections. Trustee Distel mentioned that the mower was broken and when it was repaired, we had access to the inmates to help with crack sealing. Trustee Distel asked if we would be caught up by the end of the week. Trustee Schmitz said yes.

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Zoning inspector Hohman reported it has been a busy couple of weeks with permits. He reported that the letter went out to Mr. Braun at Honey Creek two weeks ago and was sent certified and he has not received anything back that he has received it yet.

Garrette Gaietto reported that Trustee Distel and Schmitz came to his house a while back about an alley he was asking to improve. He said at a previous meeting his neighbor was against improving the alley so it never got done. Mr. Gaietto reported that neighbor has sold that property and the new neighbor is in favor of it. Mr. Gaietto said his new neighbor wants to improve the accessory building on his property and was asking him if he needed an easement off of Shawn Ave. Mr. Gaietto said he told him that there was an alley back there that he just needed to be in agreement to improve it. Mr. Gaietto told his neighbor he would come to the meeting tonight and find out what they need to do. Trustee Schmitz said he remembered that that there was an issue with an existing building being on the right of way of the alley. Mr. Gaietto said he did remember that. Trustee Schmitz said that in order to improve that alley that building would have to be moved off the right of way. He said at the time it was agreed to let things alone. Mr. Gaietto asked if there was any type of a variance he could apply for? Trustee Schmitz said he was not sure that would be up to the variance board. Mr. Gaietto also asked about his previous request to have the road signs changed from the Township Road number to 9<sup>th</sup> ave. He said everyone out there refers to it as 9<sup>th</sup> ave.

Fiscal Officer Welter read the resolution for issue one. Discussion was held on the resolution and the if the date was correct for 2027. It was determined to get clarification on the year date if that was correct. The dead line is August 29<sup>th</sup> 2025 we still had another meeting before the deadline. Fiscal Officer Welter said he would contact Michelle Cochran to verify.

Trustee Kuhn reported that he talked to Kim at the pit stop about the speed limit signs in Deer Ridge. She said she had something she was going to try a different avenue. Trustee Kuhn said the Sherriff's department called him about a tree branch on Township Road 201. He said he contacted road worker Andy and he was able to get it cleared off the road since he was in Fostoria at the time. Trustee Kuhn said after the Attica fair he went and cut it up. He said that Mr. Engle told him he would take the wood if it was cut up into smaller pieces.

Trustee Distel made a motion to approve the budget that was previously presented at the last meeting. Trustee Kuhn seconded. Mr. Kuhn Y, Mr. Distel Y, Mr. Schmitz Y. Motion carried.

Trustee Schmitz said that the crack sealing has been completed. Trustee Schmitz asked if Fiscal Officer Welter had any communication with Gregg Smith about putting money on the prisoner's commissary. Fiscal Officer Welter said he has not. Trustee Schmitz said that he would like to have Fiscal Officer Welter ask about that. Fiscal Officer Welter said he would call Gregg Smith and inquire. Trustee Schmitz said he went to a Board of Elections meeting he heard that they were going to lose some precincts in the township. He said we are not going to lose any precincts they are moving voting from fire station 2 to Job and Family Services. He said they were doing this as a trial this year. He said they were concerned with parking at Station 2 and voters coming and going off of US 224.

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Dennis Kingseed mentioned that the prisoners do get time off of their sentence for working on the work crew.

The following bills were presented to be paid:

61-2025	8/8/25	Elan Financial Services	\$405.74
62-2025	8/5/25	Ohio Deferred Compensation	\$1,039.58
63-2025	8/6/25	TREASURER OF STATE OF OHIO	\$158.04
64-2025	8/6/25	EFTPS	\$798.83
		OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT	
65-2025	8/6/25	SYSTEM	\$2,380.11
13952	8/11/25	JAMES K. DISTEL	\$0.00
13953	8/11/25	ANDREW W KIMMET	\$1,519.62
13954	8/11/25	Randy D Kuhn	\$1,026.49
13955	8/11/25	Daniel Schmitz	\$963.51
13956	8/11/25	Stephen E Welter	\$1,604.75
13957	8/11/25	LOWE'S	\$51.74
13958	8/11/25	Turco & Sons	\$53.00
13959	8/11/25	JOHN'S WELDING & TOWING	\$4,972.01
13960	8/11/25	TIFFIN FARMERS CO-OP	\$14.00
13961	8/11/25	DARR'S CLEANING INC.	\$500.00
13962	8/11/25	Culligan of Tiffin	\$70.98
13963	8/11/25	Bright Wireless	\$97.67
13964	8/11/25	NORTH CENTRAL ELECTRIC COOP., INC.	\$8.13
13965	8/11/25	AQUA OH	\$29.36
13966	8/11/25	Ag-Pro Ohio LLC	\$73.80
13967	8/11/25	G & L OIL CO., INC.	\$1,532.02
13968	8/11/25	American Electric Power	\$707.12
13969	8/11/25	AEP OHIO	\$718.79
13970	8/11/25	Heritage Cooperative	\$5,651.10
13971	8/11/25	CRAFCO	\$6,825.00
13972	8/11/25	HARBOR FREIGHT	\$149.94
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$31,351.33</b>

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Trustee Distel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m., seconded by Trustee Kuhn, Mr. Kuhn – Y, Mr. Distel – yes. Mr. Schmitz Y.

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Dan Schmitz, Ch., Trustee

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Jim Distel, Trustee

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Randy Kuhn, Trustee

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Steve Welter, Fiscal Officer