

Clinton Township Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting

December 1, 2025 – 6:00 p.m.

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

Guests: Dennis Kingseed, Ray Bishop, Chris Hafley, Ben Bishop Jim Black, Weston Wuescher, Dan Raufer, Kevin Hoover, Denny Wilkinson, and William Mckinny.

The minutes of the regular meeting held November 17, 2025 were read and approved.

Correspondence

Fiscal Officer Welter reported receiving an email from Lisa Tracy from the Seneca County engineer's office certification for the Ohio Department of Transportation Road certification. Received an email from the Senate County Board of elections with the results of the levees. Received a permit from the Seneca County Engineers Office for a Robert and Dawn Bour.

Chief Hafley reported that they are at 465 responses for the year. Chief Hafley read a thank you from Cert for storing a vehicle at station two. Chief Hafley also sent a letter in support of a grant that they are applying for. Chief Hafley reported giving Fiscal Officer Welter an invoice from 911 fire equipment for two fill hoses to fill up engine 32 and the tanker at the hydrant on county road 13. The invoice totaled \$1,599.00. Chief Hafley also passed out a copy of the contract to cover part of Eden Township for the trustees to review. Chief Hafley explained what Clinton Fire would be covering in the contract. Chief Hafley reported that the new fire truck would cost \$710,500.00 that they have specked out. Chief Hafley reported that They have a limited number of L9 engines remaining. He said after they are gone they are going to be having the new engines that they are going to be putting in the trucks. There is some concern about first year new engines and how reliable they will be. The L10 engines will have all the new emissions requirements. He also said that the new engine would increase the cost of the truck by about \$80,000. Discussion was held in the various options for purchasing the truck cash and leasing. Dennis Kingseed asked if Chief Hafley considered purchasing a used truck he heard Attica purchased A used truck. Chief Hafley said most of the used trucks that are out there are trucks that they are having problems with. No one wants to give up a good truck. Trustee Distel asked if they had any Demo trucks available. Chief Hafley reported that he asked about a demo truck and they said that the only demo truck they had available was one that was a 4 wheel drive forestry truck which we do not need. Dennis Wilkinson reported that the truck Attica bought came from Canada and all the name plates were in Canadian and they had to change all of them. Chief Hafley reported that he found out that they would have to put it out forbid to purchase it unless we went through this HGAC Buy. ORC 9.48 does authorize joint purchasing program such as HGAC Buy thus avoiding the competitive bid Requirements when the contract in which it is participating in was awarded pursuant to a public basis listed at a request for a proposal or a competitive section process of another political subdivision within the state or in any other state. Discussion was held on how much was available to purchase the fire truck. Discussion was held on when the township would receive the increased tax revenue from the levy.

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Fiscal Officer Welter reported that he had to move some money around to pay Salaries. He moved \$1500.00 from 1000-110-389 and put 900.00 into trustees Salaries 1000-110-111 and \$600.00 to Fiscal Officers Salaries 1000-110-121. He also moved \$1500.00 repairs and maintenance 2191-220-323 to 2191-220-190 other salaries to be able to pay the firemen.

Trustee Distel reported he talked to the prosecutor about the tow truck at autumn wood. He said it has now been moved and being repaired. The prosecutor said that after it is fixed since it is zoned Agricultural. He said we would have to rezone it to RM-8 or get the sheriff to ticket it. Trustee Distel wanted to thank Dan for Switching out all the lights in the back building. Thanked Randy for letting him use his lift.

Trustee Distel made a motion to participate in the joint purchasing program per ORC 9.48 As ok by Ellie Anderson. Trustee Kuhn seconded. Mr. Kuhn Y, Mr. Distel Y, Mr. Schmitz Y. Motion carried.

Trustee Distel thanked all the fireman for participating in the specking out of the new fire Truck.

Trustee Distel moved to purchase the new fire truck for \$710,500.00 with the cash option and would put \$100,000.00 down. Trustee Kuhn seconded. Mr. Kuhn Y, Mr. Distel Y, Mr. Schmitz Y. Motion carried.

Trustee Distel made a motion to accept the Eden Township fire coverage contract. Mr. Kuhn seconds. Mr. Kuhn Y. Mr. Distel Y, Mr. Schmitz Y. Motion Carried.

Trustee Schmitz made a motion to move the following funds \$1500.00 from 1000-110-389 Other Insurance and put \$900.00 to 1000-110-111 Salaries Trustees and 600.00 to 1000-110-121 to Salaries Fiscal Officer. \$1800.00 from 2191-220-323 Repairs and Maintenance to 2191-220-190 Salaries other to pay the fireman. Trustee Distel seconded. Trustee Kuhn Y, Trustee Distel Y, Trustee Schmitz Y, motion carried.

The following bills were presented to be paid:

128-2025	12/15/25	BUREAU OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION	\$5,027.00
129-2025	12/2/25	Elan Financial Services	\$33.97
130-2025	12/8/25	Ohio Deferred Compensation	\$1,039.58
131-2025	12/5/25	AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO	\$762.00
133-2025	12/15/25	COLONIAL LIFE	\$275.76
134-2025	12/15/25	Turco & Sons	\$111.00
135-2025	12/2/25	Bright Wireless	\$97.67
14073	12/1/25	JAMES K. DISTEL	\$0.00
14074	12/1/25	ANDREW W KIMMET	\$1,425.69
14075	12/1/25	Randy D Kuhn	\$1,026.49
14076	12/1/25	Daniel Schmitz	\$963.51
14077	12/1/25	Stephen E Welter	\$1,604.75
14078	12/1/25	JOHN'S WELDING & TOWING	\$5,151.95
14079	12/1/25	John Deere Financial	\$378.04
14080	12/1/25	MOHAWK SUPPLY	\$264.18

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14081	12/1/25	DELTA DENTAL PLAN OF OHIO	\$29.12
14082	12/1/25	SAMUEL W ALLEN	\$40.19
14083	12/1/25	Benjamin Bishop	\$997.71
14084	12/1/25	JAMES BLACK	\$783.82
14085	12/1/25	Eric L Cook	\$58.56
14086	12/1/25	MATT GRAY	\$227.41
14087	12/1/25	Christopher J Hafley	\$521.21
14088	12/1/25	DONALD R HENNEY	\$370.85
14089	12/1/25	KEVIN M. HOOVER	\$690.59
14090	12/1/25	Tracy D Hyer	\$96.44
14091	12/1/25	CRAIG LUCIUS	\$402.42
14092	12/1/25	JOHN R MEISNER	\$1,872.96
14093	12/1/25	BRIAN A MYERS	\$252.81
14094	12/1/25	Daniel Raufer	\$407.48
14095	12/1/25	Eric P Runion	\$76.77
14096	12/1/25	BRANDON STUCKEY L	\$48.22
14097	12/1/25	HANNA M WELTER	\$48.22
14098	12/1/25	DENNIS WILKINSON	\$799.98
14099	12/1/25	WESTON P WUESCHER	\$568.32
TOTAL			\$26,454.67

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 Kuhn, Mr. Kuhn – Y, Mr. Mr. Schmitz Y.

Dan Schmitz, Ch., Trustee

Jim Distel, Trustee

Randy Kuhn, Trustee

Steve Welter, Fiscal Officer