

Clinton Township Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting

March 09, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.

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

Guests: Dennis Kingseed, Dan Schmitz, Andy Kimmet, Chris Hafley, Jeff Hohman, Gregg Slosser, Cindy Wagner, Sheri Cheek, Karen Hyman, Gail Eidt, Sandy Nutter, Chris Milliron, Bob Reinhart, and Ray Bishop.

Trustee Kuhn asked everyone to recite the pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on February 9th, 2026 were read and approved with one correction.

Correspondence

Fiscal Officer Welter reported that the township received an email from a Charlie Bri about needing a fire inspection that was forwarded to the fire department. Email from a John Breidenbach asking about the Electrical Aggregation program. Fiscal Officer Welter gave him Palmer Energy's number. Email from a Scott Urban asking about the zoning change Fiscal Officer Welter forwarded him Zoning Inspector Hohman's number. Email from a Brittanie Botton about the Seneca Poultry issues asking elected official's opinions and wanting a round table discussion. Fiscal Officer Welter forwarded the email to the Trustee's. Email from a title company asking about special assessments on a property. Fiscal Officer Welter responded to the email. Email from United Insurance asking for information on the fire department on how many gallons of water do the hall to the first call. Do they receive mutual aid? What plan do the have if they need more water. Fiscal Officer Welter forwarded the email to Chief Hafley and Denny Wilkson. Denny responded.

Chief Hafley reported as of today they have had 143 calls this year. Last year at this time they were at 95 calls. They have 48 more calls this year compared to last year. We have 24 total runs to Eden township. Chief Hafley said they are getting the State Fire Marsal's grant for \$15,000.00 for safety equipment. Chief Hafley reported he is working on the AFG Grant to refile. They filed for it in 2023, and 2024 and did not receive it. Chief Hafley reported that they had maintenance done on their breathing air system to make sure they are putting good air into there bottles. Chief Hafley reported that they did not receive the grant for the generator at station two.

Bob Reinhart reported that the zoning meeting for March 18 has been rescheduled for March 31, 2026. There were some issues with the application that need to be corrected.

Gregg Slosser reported that he has been confronted in his neighborhood about what is going on in the neighborhood. He said they received a letter that was circulating from Frontier Community Services to Mayor Wilkinson dated February 13th about the proposed senior living complexes. He said they were disappointed that they are so late in finding out about this.

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Trustee Distel asked to see the letter. Gregg said I thought you would have already had a copy of this letter. Trustee Distel said that we have not received or seen this letter. Gregg gave a copy to the trustees. The Trustees explained that they should be receiving a letter about the proposed zoning change and when the meeting is and they would be able to explain their thoughts.

Zoning Inspector Hohman reported the zoning meeting change also.

Gail Eidt asked the trustee if there is anything they can do to help with the sewer costs at autumn wood drive. She said that her sewer bill has tripled. They asked if they could annex into the city to get cheaper rates. She reported that their water bills are higher also. Trustee Distel reported that the sewer rates are 1.75 higher since they are not in the city limits. Trustee Distel said two years ago he went and fought with the sewer department. He said he argued heavily about reducing the sewer rates for people outside the city limits. They would not lower it. They are upgrading a lot of infrastructure now and did not want to lower it and have to raise it later. Trustee Distel told them that the Trustees do not like to have residents annex into the city. Trustee Distel said that they can not fight it. They cannot do anything about it. In order to do that they would need to get fifty one percent in their area to want to annex in. Trustee Distel said he thought Clinton Township does a better job at snow plowing and maintaining the roads than the city. Gregg Slosser said he wanted to make a comment that he has always heard the City of Tiffin ask for sacrifices for the city. Has the City ever sacrificed anything for you? He said he has never raised rent on the building he owns downtown and no one has done anything for him. He said it is time the people that live outside the city that have sewer and water should not have higher rates.

Gail asked if there was anyway the Trustees could put a light up in the Zimmerman Park for the residents at Autumnwood. She said that there are quite a few that walk or ride their wheel chairs over to the park at night and are worried about their safety. The other thing she wanted to know about finding out where the gas line stops. She and another person would like to connect to it. Trustee McKinney said to call him he works for the gas company. He could find out for her. Gregg Slosser said he paid to have a gas line put in where he lives and he said he was told that if anyone taps into it, he was supposed to be paid something for it. He said he has never gotten anything.

Trustee Distel said that if the home owners want to install lights the township could help with the installation but the home owners would end of having to pay for it. He said that in other places home owners have pole lights in their front yard that they just leave on at night.

Sandy Nutter said that at 390 Autumnwood Drive Tiger Towing has been parking on the road in front of the apartment and is in the right-of-way. This is a flat bed truck that is has been leaking oil and fluids on the road. Trustee Kuhn reported that he talked to the Sheriff about it. Trustee Kuhn reported that at tonight's meeting they were going to declare it a Nuisance and he will have thirty days to remove it or the township will remove it for him.

Road worker Andy presented another proposed truck bid for a dump truck. Discussion was held on the bids. Chris Milliron from Selking reported that the word is getting out that this is the last opportunity to get a truck with the Cummins L9 engine. The new 10-liter Engine will have more emissions items on it. Chris said sales will slow down because no one wants to be

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the be the ones to experiment with a new engine. Trustee Kuhn reported that the bed on our old truck has been patched several times.

Road worker Andy reported that the ditch mower tires are changed.

Fiscal Officer Welter reported receiving the official certificate of estimated resources from the auditor's office after submitting the budget. Fiscal Office Welter reported receiving some AEP invoices with amounts to be deducted from our checking and some were not deducted. He called AEP and they said they did have some issues with their auto pay but it is corrected. Fiscal Officer Welter reported that he has the letter for the Tiger Towing that they need to declare it a nuisance and he could send it. Fiscal Officer Welter reported that he was unable to pay for the last propane fill because the prebuy was used up. Heritage called and one of the tanks was down to 23% and needed paid to refill it. Fiscal Officer Welter reported that the credit card limit was only \$1000.00 and the rooms for the Ohio township conference were still on the card. Fiscal Officer Welter used his credit card and needs reimbursed.

Trustee Kuhn makes a motion to have the bank raise the limit on the credit card to \$5000.00 Trustee McKinney seconded. Mr. Kuhn Y, Mr. Distel Y, Mr. McKinney Y. Motion carried.

Trustee Kuhn makes a motion to declare the truck on township road 1179 a nuisance and contact the owner to move it. Trustee McKinney seconded. Mr. Kuhn Y, Mr. Distel Y, Mr. McKinney Y, Motion carried.

Trustee Distel wanted to remind everyone of the Seneca County Engineers Meeting on Thursday at 5:30 at the front nine.

Trustee Distel reported he did get a copy of the city's ordinance for parking commercial vehicles in a residential area. Discussion was held on the ordinance. Discussion was held on what was in our zoning rules. Bob Reinhart reported that he has looked over the zoning book and sees a few updates that need done and he would like to do it all in one meeting. Trustee Distel gave him a copy of the city's ordinance.

Trustee Distel reported that Matt Beckman from the health department went out and inspected the house and said that they can not do anything for it at this time. Trustee Kuhn asked if we could have it mowed more often. Discussion was held on the number of times the Township can mow it. Trustee Distel reported that he has talked to Andy Vancamp and he is UpToDate on the situation.

Discussion was held on the Salt purchase for next year.

Trustee Distel makes a motion to purchase 80 tons of salt for next year. Trustee Kuhn seconded. Mr. Kuhn Y, Mr. Distel Y, Mr. McKinney Y, Motion Carried.

Trustee Kuhn makes a motion to purchase a dump truck. Trustee Distel said he is not comfortable spending the money however he does see a need. Mr. Schmitz asked what are they going to do if they decide to do away with property taxes. He said that \$936,000 you had you have already spent \$700,000 because you signed a contract for a fire truck that you don't

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have money to pay for yet. You have roughly had another 180,000 in operating funds yet this year and add that to your 700,000 for the fire truck you're at 860,000 out of 936,000 that I think your fiscal officer told you had left that is a pretty good dent in your money. Trustee Distel said that there were people standing outside the auditor's office now asking people to sign a petition to put it on the ballot.

Motion died for a lack of a second.

Gregg Slosser said as a voter he did vote for the fire levy for the fire truck.

The following bills were presented to be paid:

40-2026	1/28/26	AEP OHIO	\$38.94
41-2026	1/29/26	AT&T	\$34.41
14179	3/9/26	JAMES K. DISTEL	\$0.38
14180	3/9/26	ANDREW W KIMMET	\$1,549.85
14181	3/9/26	Randy D Kuhn	\$1,027.57
14182	3/9/26	WILLIAM D MCKINNEY	\$1,003.31
14183	3/9/26	Stephen E Welter	\$1,627.25
14184	3/9/26	AMERICAN FIRE AND SAFETY SERV., INC.	\$471.00
14185	3/9/26	TIFFIN FARMERS CO-OP LOYAL AMERICAN LIFE INSURANCE	\$6.72
14186	3/9/26	COMPANY	\$49.80
14187	3/9/26	Stephen Welter	\$1,199.40
		TOTAL	\$7,008.63

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Trustee Distel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m., seconded by Trustee Kuhn, Mr. Kuhn – Y, Mr. Mr. Distel Y, Mr. Mckinney Y. motion carried.

Randy Kuhn, Ch., Trustee

Jim Distel, Trustee

William Mckinney, Trustee

Steve Welter, Fiscal Officer