

The Clinton Township Board of Trustees

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The Meeting of the Clinton Township Board of Trustees was held on December 2nd at Noon via an online [videoconference](#). Present were Trustees Jane Cera, Jessica Jessberger, and Aliena Sword, Fiscal Officer Deb Steele, Township Administrator Matt Huffman, Fire Chief Fraley, Police Chief Jones, and Superintendent Fleig.

GENERAL

Next meeting will be Dec 16th at Noon, online.

Res. No. 20-12-001 Motion by Trustee Sword to accept the agenda with flexibility 2nd by Trustee Jessberger. Vote: Trustee Jessberger – Yes, Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Sword – Yes

Res. No. 20-12-002 Motion by Trustee Sword to approve bills 2nd by Trustee Cera. Vote: Trustee Jessberger – Yes, Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Sword – Yes

Res. No. 20-12-003 Motion by Trustee Sword to approve payroll 2nd by Trustee Jessberger. Vote: Trustee Jessberger – Yes, Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Sword – Yes

Res. No. 20-12-004 Motion by Trustee Sword to pay the elected officials at the highest allowed rate into the year 2021. 2nd by Trustee Cera. Vote: Trustee Jessberger – No, Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Sword – Yes

Trustee Jessberger said that she felt very uncomfortable when she saw this on the agenda because it is disheartening to know there are people in our township who are struggling and it does not seem right to take a pay increase when other needs are not being met at this time. Trustee Sword thanked Trustee Jessberger

Res. No. 20-12-005 Motion by Trustee Sword to approve the November 18th meeting minutes 2nd by Trustee Cera. Vote: Trustee Jessberger – Yes, Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Sword – Yes

Fiscal Officer Steele read the October 2020 Fiscal Report. October 1st the Township had an overall fund balance of \$7,206,167.35 there was \$512,234.50 in Revenue and \$362,385.41 in Expenditures leaving a fund balance of \$7,356,016.44 on October 31st.

Res. No. 20-12-006 Motion by Trustee Sword to approve the October Fiscal Report 2nd by Trustee Jessberger. Vote: Trustee Jessberger – Yes, Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Sword – Yes

Res. No. 20-12-007 Motion by Trustee Sword to add the following statement at the end of bullet #1 at the top of page 3 of the Covid Leave Policy: “Employees who experience a repeated situation from these categories may be eligible for further leave at the discretion of the department heads.” 2nd by Trustee Cera. Vote: Trustee Jessberger – Yes, Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Sword – Yes

Res. No. 20-12-008 Motion by Trustee Sword to reaffirm the Clinton Township IAP as of this date. 2nd by Trustee Jessberger. Vote: Trustee Jessberger – Yes, Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Sword – Yes

Trustee Cera reviewed that Federal Covid legislation needs to contain state and local government funding into the year 2021 but such legislation has not yet passed. She encouraged management to keep track of such expenses into the next year should such funding come available.

COMMITTEE/TEAM REPORTS

Trustee Jessberger updated everyone that the Community Support and or Social Worker engagement is going well. She recently meet with the Police and Fire Chief both of who have been making referrals. The Fire Dept has made referrals to the Health Dept. and these are going very well. The Police Dept in the past 9 months had made about 51 referrals to a Crisis Intervention and Diversion program. The Fire Chief was unaware of some of these resources until recently and it seems to be going well for residents, he has referred so he plans to keep doing so. Trustee Sword asked how often folks are reaching out, seems to be within a week and staff are emailed ongoing contacts made.

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COMMITTEE/TEAM REPORTS CONTINUED

Trustee Sword there will be a Produce Market this coming Friday from 4 till 6pm. At the most recent market there were 140 families who picked up food and 42 doses of Narcan was given out.

TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR

Admin Huffman updated everyone that the Governor signed HB 404, which included an amendment to extend the ability for local governments to conduct their public meeting electronically through July 1, 2021.

Also in less than a day after hearing about [the closing](#) of AMC Lennox 24 movie theater a [new vendor](#) was announced. Everyone is glad Phoenix Theatres Entertainment chose this location and hope much of the staff from AMC will be kept.

Monthly report submitted

FIRE

Res. No. 20-11-009 Motion by Trustee Sword to approve a Purchase Order not to exceed \$4,200 payable to Heritage Fire Equipment for repairs to the pump on Engine 61 to be paid from 2111-220-323. 2nd by Trustee Cera. Vote: Trustee Jessberger – Yes, Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Sword – Yes

The Holiday Parade will happen Dec 19th at 9am throughout the Township. No candy or other items will be passed out but the parade continues.

For the November monthly report the dept has had 2 full time firefighters test positive for Covid and three part time firefighters are also on quarantined. 83 hours of training were logged. Firefighters assisted with the Free Produce Markets on the 6th and 20th. 86 doses of Narcan was distributed at the markets. 38 boxes of food were delivered through the CSFP program on the 20th, and 5 free smoke alarms were distributed to Township residents.

Today the Chief Fraley was notified his department was awarded a grant to help cover the cost of rugged laptops needed in response vehicles.

POLICE

For the November monthly report there has been an increase in drug overdoses, a spike in armed robberies, the day before there was an armed suspect that Columbus Police Department responded to from an issue that started outside the Township borders, and theft calls are up about 20% on the east side. The Dept is working with the County Engineer's office to monitor and respond to traffic speeds on Kenny Rd, Ferris Rd, Walford St.

Chief Jones updated everyone on the Helpers and Hero's program for 2020, normally Officers shop with a child but due to Covid items will be delivered to homes. Officers raised \$800 of their own funds, Target and the Infinity 99 Cent Store also contributed this year.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Superintendent Fleig provided a month report and stated that leaf collection will continue till mid-December.

APPRECIATIONS

Fiscal Officer Steele thanked Fire Chief Fraley and all of Management for responding to the needs Covid presents.

OTHER ITEMS

Res. No. 20-11-010 Motion to enter an executive session per ORC 121.22(G)(4) for the purpose of preparing for or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment 2nd by Trustee Jessberger. Vote: Trustee Jessberger – Yes, Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Sword – Yes

Start: 12:35pm

End: 1:41pm

Motion at 1:41pm to adjourn by Trustee Sword 2nd by Trustee Cera

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ATTEST:

Aliena Sword, Chair

Deborah Steele, Fiscal Officer

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