

The Clinton Township Board of Trustees

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The Meeting of the Clinton Township Board of Trustees was held on March 20th at 7pm at 3820 Cleveland Ave. Present were Trustees Jane Cera, Carl Reardon, and Aliena Sword, Fiscal Officer Deb Steele, Township Administrator Vaughn, Fire Chief Fraley, Police Chief Jones, Superintendent of Roads Villa, and several residents.

GENERAL

Next meeting will be April 3rd, at 7pm at 999 Chambers Rd.

Res. No. 19-03-015 Motion by Trustee Reardon to pass the agenda with flexibility. 2nd Trustee Sword, Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Sword – Yes, Trustee Reardon –Yes

Res. No. 19-03-016 Motion by Trustee Reardon to approve minutes from March 6th, 2019 meeting. 2nd Trustee Cera.

Resident Bobbie Olt brought to the Board's attention two typos she found.

Motion Amended by Trustee Reardon to approve the minutes from March 6th correcting the typos found in Res. No's 19-03-003 and 19-03-004. 2nd Trustee Sword, Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Sword – Yes, Trustee Reardon –Yes

Fiscal Officer Steele read the February Fiscal Report. On Feb 1st there was an overall Fund Balance of \$4,678,959.26 there was \$298,151.68 in Revenue and \$507,996.13 in Expenditures leaving an overall Fund Balance of \$4,469,114.81 on Feb 28th 2019.

Res. No. 19-03-017 Motion by Trustee Reardon to accept the February 2019 Fiscal Report. 2nd Trustee Cera. Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Sword – Yes, Trustee Reardon –Yes

Trustee Reardon asked about how the monthly CEDA and JEDZ revenue is posted. Fiscal Officer Steele replied that the receipts listed as being received from City of Grandview in the monthly reconciliation report shows these deposits.

Res. No. 19-03-018 Motion by Trustee Cera to table approval of the 2019 Permanent Appropriations. 2nd Trustee Reardon. Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Sword – Yes, Trustee Reardon –Yes

Fiscal Officer Steele and Trustee Reardon reviewed an unexpected EPA clean up fee for \$517K that was deducted from the Township's 1st half Real Estate revenue for 2019. Trustee Reardon, Fiscal Officer Steele, and Township Administrator Vaughn followed up quickly with the County Auditor's office to learn more about what happened. In the year, 2013 there was a Type 2 Annexation at what is now Lennox Flats Apartments. In the summer of 2018 there was a ruling in the Supreme Court of Ohio that required the Township and other jurisdictions to repay revenues for an EPA clean up that happened before the apartments were built on the parcel. There will not be another fee from this specific issue. Resident Jane Margiotta asked why the Township did not know about the court hearing and Trustee Reardon responded that the Township was not named in the litigation.

Resident Pam Aman stated that she heard OSU was buying National Electric Coil, where her husband works and the staff there will be losing their jobs within a year. There was much concern from those attending the meeting about what will happen.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Sword from the Community Health Action Team reviewed details about the upcoming produce give away event happening on March 22nd at 3820 Cleveland Ave. These events will happen at 6pm the 4th Friday of every month.

Trustee Reardon from the Beautification working group updated everyone they have a new member. Soon a letter will go out to residents that also has coupons in it. Judging will happen April 1st, May 18th, and July 20th. There is a goal to have judging events more spread out to capture a larger variety of plants.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS CONTINUED:

Trustee Cera from the Building and Technology working group thanked everyone for working with Contractors recently. There continues to be follow up needed with the floors in areas of the larger building at 3820 Cleveland Ave. She also updated everyone there will be security updates because as there is a new server being installed.

TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR

Administrator Vaughn provided a Code Compliance Report that reviewed the previous two months. Johnathan O'Connor attended the meeting as the newer Code Compliance Officer and answered questions from attendees. Mr. Vaughn and Trustee Reardon both thanked Mr. O'Connor for his work. Resident Pam Aman has concerns about where a car is parked and had left voicemails about the issue. Compliance Officer O'Connor was aware of the car Ms. Aman was referring to and will look into where her voicemail landed within the phone system.

Res. No. 19-03-019 Motion by Trustee Reardon to accept the resignation of Dan Villa effective April 5th 2019. 2nd Trustee Sword, Vote: Trustee Cera, – Yes, Trustee Sword – Yes, Trustee Reardon –Yes

Trustee Reardon presented a plaque to Superintendent Villa that was a Certificate of Appreciation for his 18 years of service to Clinton Township.

Residents Jane Margiotta and Bobbie Olt asked the Board why so many people have been leaving the Township, and they are worried no one will be able to run the Road Dept. with all the turnover. Residents Nick Gani and Jane Margiotta asked about filling existing positions within the Road Dept. Trustee Sword asked for an update and Admin Vaughn responded that they are currently reviewing 5 candidates.

FIRE

No new items

POLICE

No new items

ROAD

Superintendent Villa provided the February 2019 Monthly Report and Inspections.

OTHER ITEMS

Resident Jane Margiotta thanked Trustee Reardon for recently attending a [UVCA](#) event, and said the other two Trustees they should try attending a westside events once in a while. Trustee Cera responded that she has attended a Spaghetti Dinner, Spring Plant Swaps and Summer Festivals, and questioned the practice of thanking only some Trustees. Ms. Margiotta brought a copy of a flyer she found taped to the back of a stop sign that was promoting a recent Narcan (a medicine used when someone has overdosed on an opiate) training hosted by the Township. She was appalled by the flyers and asked who put them up, Fire Chief Fraley responded he had the Department post them and next time they will promote events better.

Resident Nick Gani asked some coordination questions about delivering wood materials for raised garden beds at the Westside Community Garden.

Resident Pam Aman stated that she wished residents on the Eastside participated in events more often like they do on the Westside. She feels the Township might be wasting money by putting “Band-Aids” on issues or problems. Trustee Reardon stated that he thinks people make the community not the government, but he is always wanting to find the right balance. Mr. Gani responded that he is glad there is two meetings a month because that gives everyone a better chance to attend a Trustee meeting. Trustee Cera stated that at times when the meetings are not civil that reduces people wanting to attend again in the future.

Resident Sheila Hill stated that she has been a resident more than 40 years and from her perspective the Township has a lot of Seniors who need help. She sees too much litter around the apartment complexes on Cleveland Ave. Maybe if the Township hosted more community events like Block Parties there could be more participation on litter clean ups and so on.

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OTHER BUSINESS CONTINUED:

Resident Jack Jobe brought copies of signatures he collected from residents on Elmore Ave about the idea of establishing a park. He had 26 signatures not in support of a park being created on Elmore Ave and one signature in support of a park.

Trustees invited attendees to stay for some cake to celebrate Road Superintendent Dan Villa’s soon retirement.

Chair Reardon moved to adjourn and Trustee Cera 2nd

Meeting ended at 8:19pm

ATTEST:

Carl Reardon, Chair

Deborah Steele, Fiscal Officer