

The Clinton Township Board of Trustees

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The Meeting of the Clinton Township Board of Trustees was held on March 3rd at 6:30pm at 3820 Cleveland Ave and broadcasted [online](#). Present were Trustees Jane Cera, Jessica Jessberger, and Rebecca Grimm, Fiscal Officer Deb Steele, Township Administrator Matt Huffman, Fire Chief Brian Fraley, Police Chief Jones, Superintendent Medley of Public Works, Community Affairs Specialist Glenda Mihaly, and residents.

GENERAL

Next meeting will be March 17th 2022 at 6:30pm, at 3820 Cleveland Ave.

Res. No. 22-03-001 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve the agenda with flexibility. 2nd by Trustee Cera. Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

Res. No. 22-03-002 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to thank Fiscal Officer Steele for serving a two-year term on the JEDZ Board. 2nd by Trustee Cera. Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

Trustee Jessberger asked if thanking the FO would remove her from the JEDZ Board, Trustee Cera responded that it would not. Trustee Cera would like to see Administrator Huffman on the JEDZ Board, that is made up of 6 members. Not more than one Elected Official can be on the JEDZ Board at one time, and two business owners are already serving on the Board. Trustee Cera added that the JEDZ Board is evolving, and she would like to ensure Mr. Huffman can attend Executive Sessions. FO Steele added that there have been two such sessions in the two years she has been on the Board and Mr. Huffman attended one of them. Trustee Jessberger asked if Mr. Huffman could continue to attend these sessions in the future, Trustee Cera responded if a majority of the JEDZ Board agrees to it. Trustee Cera spoke about Administrator Huffman having more Economic Development experience than FO Steele and she would like him to have a vote on the JEDZ Board.

Res. No. 22-03-003 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to appoint Matt Huffman to a seat on the JEDZ Board. 2nd by Trustee Cera. Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Grimm – No, Trustee Jessberger – No

FO Steele added she enjoys working with Administrator Huffman, and she looks forward to continued collaboration with him.

Trustee Cera brought forward a discussion about [Tax Increment Financing](#) options that she would like the Township to consider. Trustee Grimm had recently meet with staff from City of Grandview and she learned more about the Grandview Yard development, that might have utilized TIFs. The Trustees chose to have a follow up meeting March 10th to further discuss the topic.

FISCAL

Res. No. 22-03-004 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve the Bills. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

Res. No. 22-03-005 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve payroll. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

Res. No. 22-03-006 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve the February 8th meeting minutes. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

Res. No. 22-03-007 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve the February 17th meeting minutes. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

Fiscal Officer Steele read the December 2021 Fiscal Report. Dec 1st the Township had an overall fund balance of \$8,184,382.55 there was \$165,368.04 in Revenue and \$518,918.14 in Expenditures leaving a fund balance of \$7,830,832.45 on December 31st.

Res. No. 22-03-008 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve the December 2021 Fiscal Report. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Cera – No, Trustee Grimm – No, Trustee Jessberger – No

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Res. No. 22-03-009 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve the [2022 Permanent Appropriations](#) 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger – Yes

COMMITTEE/TEAM REPORTS

There was a short discussion about various projects underway in the Township. The Northwest Corridor redevelopment around transit options will have a large impact on the Westside of Township and it is something Trustee Grimm is interested in. Better stormwater drainage is needed on both sides of the Township. Trustee Cera has had conversations with the Franklin County Engineer's Office about upcoming construction to the Cleveland Ave and Innis Rd intersection. It is important to stay aware of the [various land use plans](#) from previous years. There was a brainstorm about branding the Chesapeake Ave area as a District and bringing a Drive-In movie theater to Northern Lights.

The USPS continues to have issues with mail delivery. A Postal worker was robbed recently on Lehner Rd. It is important folks [report](#) any issues they are having with their mail deliver.

Trustee Cera reviewed planned Earth-Day-Arbor-Day activities. April 30th from 10am till 2pm there will be a litter sweep.

At the February 25th Produce Market 8500 pounds of produce was distributed to 100 families representing 331 individuals. FCPH distributed 30 Naloxone kits and 45 Harm Reduction, Fentanyl testing, and Safer Sex kits. Firefighters distributed 100 gunlocks. The Township is almost out of Gun Locks.

ADMINISTRATION

Res. No. 22-03-010 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to authorize Township Administrator to submit SWACO's Solid Waste Advisory Board 2022 Ballot on behalf of Clinton Township. 2nd by Trustee Cera. Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger – Yes

A February Monthly Report was provided.

Administrator Huffman updated everyone that the Alger Rd bridge over Alum Creek west of Sunbury Rd will be closed for repairs starting the first week of June and continuing for 150 days.

FIRE

There was a discussion of installing [Naloxboxes](#) throughout the County. ADAMH will distribute 150 or more and they are looking for indoor public locations. Their staff will do upkeep of the boxes. Chief Fraley is also looking for locations on the Westside of the Township as well.

Res. No. 22-03-011 Motion by Trustee Grimm to approve the installation of a Naloxbox in the lobby at 3820 Cleveland Ave. 2nd by Trustee Jessberger. Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger – Yes

A February Monthly Report was provided.

The Community Fridge will be placed back in front of the Fire station when the weather gets a bit warmer.

POLICE

A February Monthly Report was provided, as well as a [2021 Annual Report](#).

Res. No. 22-03-012 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve a Purchase Order in the amount of \$23,732.96 from fund 2081-210-420 for emergency vehicle equipment. 2nd by Trustee Cera. Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger – Yes

There was a discussion of Police staffing issues. The past 8 months has seen a great increase in crimes and calls for service. Speeding and other traffic violations have increased. Building trust in the community is vital. The more Police Officers the community knows the better the relationships can be. There has been an idea from Trustee Jessberger to host a [Citizen's Police Academy](#) but staffing is too low to be able to implement such a program. Chief Jones has been

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compiling a robust study about staffing in the department, getting into details like time of day and levels of coverage compared to calls for service. A neighboring municipality is no longer able to provide a 3rd shift. Trustee Grimm is looking forward to the report findings. At the end of 2019 there were 12 full time Officers, currently there are 10. Trustee Jessberger encouraged individuals to keep an eye out to help keep their community safer, stating things happen and then Police respond.

PUBLIC WORKS

A February Monthly Report was provided.

Superintendent Medley updated the Board that Devin Albaugh had recently passed an ODA test. The Department is busy filling potholes and he encouraged residents to call 614.471.1480 if they see a pothole that needs filled.

Res. No. 22-03-013 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve a Purchase Order in the amount of \$115,000.00 from line 2031-330-750 for a backhoe from Southeastern Equipment using the ODOT purchasing contract. 2nd by Trustee Cera. Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger – Yes

Resident Bobbie Olt asked if the Township will have a new salt barn soon. By June or July, the Township aims to complete the new salt barn. Last year hoops were purchased, and the building will be 30 feet by 32 feet with 6 foot tall walls and 11 feet tall in the middle.

APPRECIATIONS

Trustee Grimm thanked Administrator Huffman for helping her prepare for her meetings with individuals from the City of Grandview. She also thanked Police Chief Jones for working on the Police staffing report.

Residents Bobbie Olt and Joe Wing thanked the Public Works Department for continuing to keep the roads drivable.

Superintendent Medley thanked his staff for working long hours without complaint.

OTHER

Resident Bobbie Olt asked where the Code Enforcement Officer is. Superintendent Medley said he sends 3 or 4 calls a week to the Code Enforcement Officer. Community Affairs Specialist Glenda Mihaly said she often forwards trash complaints to the Code Enforcement Officer as well.

Res. No. 22-03-014 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to enter an executive session per ORC 121.22(G)(1) To consider the compensation of public employees or officials. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger – Yes
Start 8:10am
End 8:37am

Res. No. 22-03-015 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to give Guy Royise a 2.5% raise effective March 6th. 2nd by Trustee Cera. Vote: Trustee Cera – Yes, Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger – Yes

Mr. Royise has been with the Township for 5 years.

Resident Nick Gani asked when will the chipper start, Mr. Medley responded likely mid April. Mr. Gani asked if there is still a Budget Committee. FO Steele responded that she and Trustee Grimm have been meeting and perhaps later in the year these meetings could open to residents as well. Overall any resident can contact the FO anytime for Fiscal Reports.

Resident Ms. Farmer who lives at Elmore and Walford said drivers are always running the stop sign. Police Chief Jones responded that traffic enforcement is harder with low staffing.

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Resident Don Gregory who lives on Elmore said a 10 or 12 foot easement near the Park and Ride with COTA has become a homeless camp and there is trash and rodents as a result.

Administrator Huffman said he would reach out to COTA.

Motion by Trustee Jessberger at 9:07pm to adjourn 2nd by Trustee Cera 2nd

ATTEST:

Jessica Jessberger, Chair

Deborah Steele, Fiscal Officer