

The Clinton Township Board of Trustees

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The Meeting of the Clinton Township Board of Trustees was held on Dec 7th, at 6:30pm at 999 Chambers Rd and was broadcasted [online](#). Present were Trustees Jessica Jessberger, and Rebecca Grimm, Fiscal Officer Deb Steele, Fire Chief Brian Fraley, Police Chief Jones, Superintendent Medley of Public Works and Interim Administrator, Code Compliance Officer Quigley, Community Affairs and Public Relations Specialist Deborah Smothers, and some residents.

GENERAL

Next meeting will be Dec 21st, 2023 at 6:30pm, at 999 Chambers Rd.

Res. No. 23-12-001 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve the agenda with flexibility. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

Trustee Jessberger said December is Universal Human Rights Month. She said unfortunately in our country and world we have all seen cruelty and hate; we can do better, and we know more we do better. This month serves as a reminder that every person has basic human rights and it is a time to reflect on the way that we treat others.

FISCAL

Res. No. 23-12-002 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve Bills. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

Res. No. 23-12-003 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve Payroll. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

Res. No. 23-12-004 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve the Nov 2nd meeting minutes. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

Res. No. 23-12-005 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve the Nov 7th special meeting minutes. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

Fiscal Officer Steele read the November Fiscal Report. On Nov 1st there was an overall fund balance of \$10,515,687.03, Revenue was in the amount of \$466,330.48 and Expenditures were \$1,046,117.65 leaving a balance of \$9,935,899.86 on Nov 30th, 2023.

Res. No. 23-12-006 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve the November Fiscal Report. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

Res. No. 23-12-007 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to amend the [2023 Permanent Appropriations](#). 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

\$100K was added to the Fire Fund #2111

Res. No. 23-12-008 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve the [2024 Permanent Appropriations](#). 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

Res. No. 23-12-009 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve a Wage and Benefit Stabilization Fund going into the year 2024 minutes. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

Res. No. 23-12-010 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve the pay and health insurance benefits that Township employees have for the Elected officials at the rate set by the ORC for the year 2024. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

COMMITTEE/TEAM REPORTS

At the Nov 10th Produce Market 11,000 pounds of produce was distributed to 444 individuals. The next market will be Dec 8th from 4 till 6pm at 3820 Cleveland Ave. In January they will go back to having 2 markets a month. Please see the [TWP](#) calendar or the Fire Dept Facebook [page](#).

ADMINISTRATION

Administrator Medley provided a monthly report

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ADMINISTRATION CONTINUED

Res. No. 23-12-011 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to allow up to \$400 for an Employee Appreciation Lunch on Dec 19th or 20th 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger – Yes

There was discussion with Deborah Smothers about a Letters to Santa effort that would be new to the Township. A mailbox for each side of the Township would be needed. Trustee Grimm offered to help deliver letters from 999 to 3820, staff can as well. There was also discussion about a Residential and Business Holiday Decorations Contest, with a prize of something like \$100. The award monies would need to come from private donations. Resident Bobbie Olt said the UVCA also does such a contest.

A letter of support was signed for a Brownfield Grant Application at 800 W. King Ave.

Res. No. 23-12-012 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to accept the Delta Dental renewal at a 5.5% increase for all eligible employees and elected officials for a 12- month contract starting January 1, 2024, and ending December 31, 2024. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger – Yes

Res. No. 23-12-013 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to continue employing the Township's attorneys on an annual basis for the year 2024 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger – Yes

Res. No. 23-12-014 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to nominate Ronald W. Grossman as the representative of the Franklin County Townships on the SWACO Board of Trustees and to serve as a member of the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio Board of Trustees and represent Franklin County townships for a two – year term. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger – Yes

The carport for the Police Dept is estimated to cost about \$260K and will need to go out to bid for quotes. It is recommended the Township have a project manager consultant.

FIRE

A monthly report was provided.

Res. No. 23-12-015 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve a PO in the amount of \$12,522.00 payable to Krieger Ford for repairs to the extra medic vehicle. From fund 2111-220-323 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger – Yes

Candy Packing will happen Dec 14th at 3820 Cleveland Ave starting at 6pm. The Santa Parade will happen Dec 16th starting at 9:30am.

POLICE

A monthly report was provided.

Dec 13th will be the Heroes and Helpers event at Target. The Department is hoping to support 35 to 40 families.

Res. No. 23-12-016 Motion by Trustee Jessberger Declaring Intent to Proceed with the Election on the question of an Additional Tax in excess of the Ten-Mill Limitation. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger – Yes

The Township will be seeking a 6mill levy. A recent survey showed the need to have 17 FT Officers and needed equipment, the TWP currently has 12. If this levy is approved it is likely 2 more FT Officers will be added. There are a few FT Officers that will need to be out on injury leave again soon.

Res. No. 23-12-017 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve a PO to purchase a 2023-2024 Dodge Durango to replace the cruiser totaled in November from Jim Shorkey Dodge in the amount of \$41,492.00. Insurance will be \$23,843.00 with the remainder to be paid from Fund 2081-760-750. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger – Yes

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POLICE CONTINUED

Res. No. 23-12-018 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to approve a PO. to Parr public safety for the equipment to be ordered for replacement cruiser in an amount not to exceed \$16,000.00 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

Chief Jones announced awards for the recent actions of officers on critical response that reflected the Officers' in-depth training and tactics resulted in likely saving the lives of family members and the suspect. Nov 4th responding to a Domestic Violence call, Sgt Reeves, Officers Cronig, Mulvy, and Jackson entered a home where a distressed individual was armed with knives. Officers were able to get all other individuals out of the house and eventually the suspect climbed out a window with the knives where a foot pursuit began, he was detained with the use of tasers and no one else was harmed. Nov 11th a tracker was placed that was able to locate the suspect from an armed robbery at Northern Lights. Nov 9th Officer Cronig who was on 315 directing traffic was rear ended by a drunk driver in an construction zone, the Officer was kept overnight in the hospital for observation, and Dec 12th Officer Bingham has been selected by MADD for his efforts to reduce drunk driving

PUBLIC WORKS

Superintendent Medley provided a monthly report.

There was discussion for the OPWC grant cycle of 2025 related to storm sewers. Recently the Township scored 199, and 206 was the cut off point. It helps to start a process sooner.

Res. No. 23-12-019 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to apply to the Small Government projects for Case and Mini 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

There was discussion for street paving in 2024, about \$500K has been appropriated, somewhere in the University View would likely be next. Superintendent Medley did recently attend a public meeting about widening Cooke Rd and adding a sidewalk. The meeting was held at the Elementary School on Cooke Rd hosted by the County Engineer's Office. Speeding is a big concern in this area. The County Engineer is seeking [public comments](#) till 12/31/23.

Code Compliance Officer Quigley provided reports from the Environmental Court and other updates about a property across the street from the veterans park on Walford.

APPRECIATIONS

Trustee Grimm thanked Police Chief Jones and Fiscal Officer Steele for their work around the Police Levy. She also thanked Code Compliance Officer Quigley for helping to improve the community.

Resident Bobbie Olt reminded everyone it was [Pearl Harbor](#) Remembrance Day

Resident Nick Gani really likes the most recent [edition](#) of the Newsletter from the Township

OTHER ITEMS

Res. No. 23-12-020 Motion by Trustee Jessberger to enter into an executive session per ORC 121.22 (G)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, or compensation of a public employee. 2nd by Trustee Grimm. Vote: Trustee Grimm – Yes, Trustee Jessberger –Yes

Start 7:36pm

End 9:00pm

Motion by Trustee Jessberger at 9:00pm to adjourn 2nd by Trustee Grimm

ATTEST:

Jessica Jessberger, Chair

Deborah Steele, Fiscal Officer