

**RECORDS OF PROCEEDINGS
CLARIDON TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING**

June 3, 2024

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm with the following members present: Trustees- Roger Miller, Jonathan Tiber, and Fiscal Officer- Paula J. Hietanen.

Ms. Hietanen took roll call for attendance. Mr. Miller and Mr. Tiber responded here.

Approval of 5/20/2024 meeting minutes will be postponed until Mr. Sherman is present. (7/1/2024)

GUESTS

Honorable Aquilla Village Mayor, Rich Wolfe, was in attendance to discuss voluntary dissolution of Aquilla Village. Mayor Wolfe explained that the Village is running out of funds and cannot sustain on its own. Merging back with Claridon Township seems like the only choice, if proper protocol is followed. Mayor Wolfe further explained that in order to have Aquilla's dissolution on November's ballot a petition with 50 resident signatures is required, and due by July 1, 2024. A 5-10 mill levy will also be on the same ballot for residents to vote on. If dissolution passes, all levies (including the new one from 11/5/2024 ballot) will go away.

Mr. Tiber responded that he understands what position Aquilla Village is in and is willing to work together with the Mayor and GC Auditor's office in order to come up with a best plan for the future of Aquilla and Claridon Township residents.

Mr. Kellogg, Taylor Wells Road, asked the BOT how Claridon can take on another entity under their wing when lack of funds and staffing is already an issue in Claridon Township? How can a maintenance team of 1 full and 1 part time employees take on more roads and parks to maintain? Mr. Kellogg also asked if Claridon's property taxes will be going up to cover the cost of Aquilla Village?

Mr. Tiber responded that all details are still unknown. Mr. Walder and his team (Auditor's Office), Claridon's BOT and Mr. Wolfe would have to meet and discuss all of the details after the election. (if the dissolution passes)

Chief Geiss, Chardon Fire Department, reported 102 YTD calls in Claridon Township. He thanked Ms. Hietanen for her help with a recent \$10,000.00 grant the CFD was awarded, and spoke about several other grants the department is currently applying for.

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ZONING

A letter to "Protect Township Zoning Authority" was presented and signed, and will be mailed to the State. Most local government representatives will be signing the same letter in order to advocate for keeping their local zoning departments as they currently are; in charge of their own local zoning. This petition is to prevent State Zoning taking over all local zoning.

Zoning report was presented.

PERSONNEL

MOTION TO ACCEPT JOAN WINDNAGEL'S RESIGNATION- 24-55

Motion by Mr. Tiber, second by Mr. Miller to accept Joan Windnagel's resignation as Fiscal's advisor; effective immediately. There was no discussion and a roll call vote was taken.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Miller: Aye, Mr. Tiber: Aye.

Motion carried.

BUILDINGS

The BOT discussed that \$9931.00 is available for 2024 from NOPEC Energized Community Grant Funds, and should be used towards replacing Admin Emergency door and repairs of several Maintenance garage doors. The BOT discussed the quotes obtained from Door Works & Construction, and decided to have Mr. Miller call D & S Door Sales for a quote.

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT \$4603.00 OF NOPEC ENERGIZED COMMUNITY GRANT FUNDS FOR 2024- 2024-17

Motion by Mr. Tiber, second by Mr. Miller to accept the \$4603.00 of NOPEC Energized Community Grant funds for 2024. There was no discussion and a roll call vote was taken.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Miller: Aye, Mr. Tiber: Aye.

ROADS

Mr. Miller reported that he recently received a call from a resident on Forrest Road, regarding an issue with Amish neighbors.

The BOT discussed the need to patch Ensign, Forrest, and Spencer Road. Tewksbury Lane will be needing full depth repair next year.

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GRANTS

Mr. Tiber reported that UH Medical Center was recently approved for a \$1,500,000.00 American Rescue Plan Act grant, with the help of Claridon BOT (host township). The BOT, Fiscal Officer and representatives from the UH Medical center will be meeting for work sessions to execute all necessary paperwork for the grant.

TRANSFERS

TRANSFER RESOLUTION 2024-18

Motion by Mr. Tiber, second by Mr. Miller to amend the 2024 Permanent Appropriations as follows:

Reallocation appropriation

From:

General Fund:

From: Election Expenses
1000-110-315-0000

\$400.00

To: Auditing Services
1000-110-312-0000

\$400.00

From: Tax Collecting Fees
2191-220-314-0000

\$1650.00

To: Auditing Services
2191-220-312-0000

\$1650.00

There was no discussion and a roll call vote was taken.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Miller: Aye, Mr. Tiber: Aye, Mr. Sherman: Aye.

Motion carried.

PURCHASE ORDERS

Purchase Orders for A&S Truck Sales and Services (\$190,000.00), Planning and Zoning Services (\$1875.00), and Charles E Harris (\$6750.00) were presented and signed during tonight's meeting.

MOTION TO PAY BILLS- 24-56

Motion by Mr. Tiber, second by Mr. Miller to approve by signing prior to or at this meeting wage and bills for warrant #11488 through warrant #11498, and the electronic payment from #123 through #136, for a total expenditure of \$180,199.78. There was a discussion that large payments such as \$160,665.00 (Ronak Paving) and \$5,400.00 (Charles E. Harris), and \$1,875.00 (Planning and Zoning Services) were part of this payment listing. A roll call vote was taken.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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Mr. Miller: Aye, Mr. Tiber: Aye.

Motion carried.

CREDIT CARD REVIEW

The BOT was presented with a credit card transaction review, and the attestation was approved and signed by the chairperson, Mr. Tiber.

CEMETERIES

Cemetery deeds for Tim and Terry Berman, and Lisa and David Bates were presented and signed.

MOTION TO APPROVE 4 VETERANS' NAME ENGRAVINGS- 24-57

Motion by Mr. Miller, second by Mr. Tiber to approve Veterans' Name engravings (1 at East Cemetery and 3 at Center Cemetery) by Sheffield Monuments, in the amount of \$1,650.00. There was no discussion and a roll call vote was taken.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Miller: Aye, Mr. Tiber: Aye.

Motion carried.

RESIDENT CALLS

Mr. Tiber reported that a resident has called in road damage on Headwater Lane (paved 4 years ago), caused by private contractor's large trucks/Equipment (Dash Tree Services). Mr. Miller will be reporting the damage to Dash Tree Services.

MEETINGS

Next Trustee meeting will be held on 6/17/2024 at 6pm, next BZA hearing will be held on 6/13/2024, next zoning commission meeting will be on 6/24/2024 at 7pm, and the next GCTA dinner/meeting will be held in Huntsburg on 7/10/2024. Ms. Hietanen, Mr. Miller, Mr. Tiber and Mr. Alusheff will be attending.

MOTION TO ADJOURN-24-58

Motion by Mr. Tiber, second by Mr. Miller to adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Miller: Aye, Mr. Tiber: Aye.

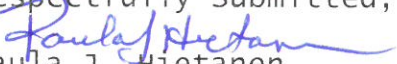
Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:48 pm.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Paula J. Hietanen,
Fiscal Officer

