

**RECORDS OF PROCEEDINGS
CLARIDON TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING**

January 20, 2025

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm with the following members present: Jonathan Tiber, Cooper Sherman and Roger Miller.

Ms. Olszewski took roll call for attendance. Mr. Tiber, Mr. Sherman and Mr. Miller responded here.

MOTION TO APPROVE FOR MS. OLSZEWSKI TO TAKE TODAY'S MINUTES-25-26

Motion by Mr. Tiber, second by Mr. Sherman to approve for Ms. Olszewski to take today's minutes. There was no discussion and a roll call vote was taken.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion carried.

JANUARY 6, 2025 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES-25-27

Motion by Mr. Tiber, second by Mr. Sherman to approve regular meeting minutes of 1/6/2025 as written. There was no discussion and a roll call vote was taken.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion carried.

GUESTS

Several Claridon residents from Durkee Road were in attendance to express their frustration with the current condition of Durkee Road. As Claridon residents of Durkee Road, they have attended Burton Township Trustee meetings to request repairs/paving of the road (road owned and maintained by Burton Township), and were told to attend Claridon Township Trustee meeting and ask for their financial support, if they would like to see major improvements done.

Mr. Bob Umholtz, Durkee Road, asked if the BOT could request Attorney General Advisory Opinion to find out who is responsible for maintenance of a road (belonging to Burton Township) that has several residential properties belonging to another township (Claridon Township). He also suggested for Trustees to figure out if Claridon Zoning should have approved the lot splits as they did (many years ago) with Claridon properties on Durkee Road not having access to the road/right of way?

Mr. Tiber agreed that more information is needed, and that he and the BOT will be contacting the Prosecutor's Office to potentially

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contact the Attorney General to find out if Claridon Township can financially assist Burton Township with the paving of a road that belongs to Burton Township, under unique circumstances.

Mr. Joel Miller explained that he is not necessarily in favor of paving the road, just improving it and properly controlling the dust.

Several other residents also expressed their frustration and asked for explanation why Claridon Township cannot financially contribute when receiving property tax funds from those properties located in Claridon Township (that are located on Durkee Road).

Mr. Tiber explained that Durkee Road has been a Burton Township Road since 1850, and has been collecting road levy funds for its maintenance since then. Claridon Township only collects property tax funds from those properties belonging to Claridon township, but no road levy funds for the maintenance of the road. He also explained that legally, they have no authority to spend Claridon Township tax payers' money on a road that doesn't belong to Claridon Township, which they have in writing from GC Prosecutor's Office. He also explained that each road that has ever been improved/paved in Claridon Township required years of saving up for. Claridon Township does not have extra funds for a road that they are not responsible for, and never saved up for. He doesn't understand why over the last several decades Burton Township did not plan accordingly and set money aside each year to improve the condition of Durkee Road. Especially since they are receiving road maintenance funds for it. Once the Attorney General Advisory opinion is received, Claridon Township BOT and Burton Township BOT will discuss and decide how to proceed regarding the maintenance of Durkee Road.

ZONING

MOTION TO ACCEPT MR. ALUSHEFF'S RESIGNATION AS ZONING

INSPECTOR -25-28

Motion by Mr. Tiber, second by Mr. Sherman to accept Mr. Alusheff's resignation as Zoning Inspector, as of 3/31/2025. There was no discussion and a roll call vote was taken.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion carried.

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MOTION TO HIRE MR. ALUSHEFF AS ZONING ADVISOR- 25-29

Motion by Mr. Tiber, second by Mr. Sherman to hire Mr. Alusheff as Zoning Advisor, at \$300 per month, effective 4/1/2025. There was no discussion and a roll call vote was taken.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion carried.

Mr. Tiber spoke about a letter that he and the BOT composed to advocate on behalf of two Aquilla Road residents. The County has plans to construct a new youth residency center on Aquilla road, which will put the new center in between the recycling center, and two residential properties. The proximity of the proposed built site of the new center to both residential properties is quite undesirable, and would impact them negatively in many ways; security of their own young children and homes, lack of privacy, ongoing noise, reduction of home value/difficulty selling their homes in the future, etc. In the letter, the BOT suggests several other built site locations on the same road, also owned by the County. The letter will be mailed to all 3 commissioners for their consideration.

MOTION TO REIMBURSE ASHLEY WILSON'S BZA FEE OF \$450.00- 25-30

Motion by Mr. Tiber, second by Mr. Miller to reimburse a \$450.00 BZA fee to Ashley Wilson. There was a discussion that Ms. Wilson should have not been charged the fee, and a roll call vote was taken.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion carried.

GUEST

Chief Geiss, Chardon Fire Department, was in attendance to present the BOT with a list of calls; 261 YTD calls in Claridon, 2 calls in Aquilla.

MAINTENANCE

Mr. Stenger reported that most of his and Mr. Vacik's time is being spent on plowing and ice control on Claridon and Aquilla roads. Mr. Stenger expressed the need for BOT to first establish, and then inform the residents of what the rules regarding trash cans and parked vehicles on township roads should be during snow plowing season. He further explained that residents are leaving their parked vehicles and trash cans on side roads and cul-de-sac roads, making it extremely difficult to plow around. Afterwards they are

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upset and often express their frustration about their trash cans and vehicles being plowed in by the plow trucks. Mr. Tiber agreed and said that he would look into it.

Mr. Stenger asked Mr. Sherman when he will be able to get a phone, or phone line for the maintenance building. Several equipment items need to be listed on GovDeals.Com for sale and he cannot do that without a phone number where he can be reached for questions/details about the items listed.

Mr. Sherman responded that he is still working on it and hopes to have phones for Mr. Stenger and Ms. Drollinger within the next few weeks.

EVENTS

Mr. Tiber reported that next Senior trash pick-up day is scheduled for 5/7/25 (left overs will be picked up on 5/8/25), and the next trash drop off day is scheduled for 5/10/2025, from 8am-11am.

TRANSFERS

TRANSFER RESOLUTION 2025-10

Motion by Mr. Miller, second by Mr. Tiber to amend the 2025 Permanent Appropriations as follows:

Reallocation appropriation

From:

General Fund:

From: Salaries \$50.22
1000-130-190-0000

To: Social Security \$50.22
1000-130-212-0000

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

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion carried.

MOTION TO ADJOURN-25-31

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

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Lilly Olszewski,
Township Secretary



