

**RECORDS OF PROCEEDINGS
CLARIDON TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING**

June 1, 2026

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm with the following members present, Trustees- Eric Brindo, Jonathan Tiber, Roger Miller, and future Fiscal Officer- Stacey Brindo. Mr. Hardman was also present, to assist Ms. Brindo.

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

MAY 18, 2026, REGULAR MEETING MINUTES- 26-130

Motion by Mr. Miller, second by Mr. Tiber to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of 5/18/2026 as written. There was no discussion, and a roll call vote was called.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion carried.

MAY 20, 2026, SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES- 26-131

Motion by Mr. Tiber, second by Mr. Miller to approve the Special Meeting minutes of 5/20/2026 as written. There was no discussion, and a roll call vote was called.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion carried.

MOTION TO APPOINT MS. STACEY BRINDO AS CLARIDON TOWNSHIP FISCAL OFFICER- 26-132

Motion by Mr. Tiber, second by Mr. Miller to appoint Ms. Stacey Brindo as Claridon Township Fiscal Officer, effective 6/1/2026, and term ending 12/31/2028. There was no discussion and a roll call vote was called.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion carried.

OATH OF OFFICE for Ms. Brindo was performed by Mr. Tiber.

GUESTS

Chief Geiss, Chardon Fire Dept., was in attendance to share a list of calls and recent occurrences within Chardon FD; 137 calls in Claridon YTD.

Chief Geiss asked the BOT to consider the Adoption of Fire Code, per ORC Section 505.73. The BOT briefly discussed it and decided to get legal advice prior to making any decisions.

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Chief Davidson, Burton Volunteer Fire Department (BVFD), was also in attendance to briefly discuss latest occurrences within BVFD, such as a 3-hour search and rescue of a lost hunter on LaDue Reservoir grounds.

MAINTENANCE

Mr. Stenger presented the BOT with a detailed maintenance report.

AQUILLA VILLAGE

Mr. Tiber reported that structures (house and shed) on 140 Turner Drive have been successfully demolished by TBS Consolidated. Mr. Tiber added that Mr. Tom Cole did a great job cleaning up the site and will seed/straw the lot once the topsoil is provided by the township, as previously agreed upon.

Mr. Brindo stated that the Property Condition Assessment has been received from Mr. Gary Peck-Verdantas. Having better knowledge of conditions of all township properties allows for more accurate reserve funds to be established, for all upcoming building repairs/projects (as suggested by the GC Auditor's office).

Mr. Tiber briefly spoke about a recent decision made by the BOT (and since rescinded for further legal advice) to sell the Aquilla Village Hall to a spouse of Claridon Twp. Employee. This is for a family business purpose that the employee is also a part of (but not currently employed by). Legal advice was received to contact Ohio Ethics Commission for clearer understanding if the original decision was ethical or not, prior to making another decision.

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE GC PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE TO REQUEST AN
OPINION FROM THE OHIO ETHICS COMMISSION- 26-133**

Motion to authorize the Geauga County Prosecutor's Office to request an opinion from the Ohio Ethics Commission as to whether real property owned by the Township can be sold to a business which is owned by a township employee's spouse and in which the township employee, although not technically an employee of the business, is involved in the operation of the business. During the discussion, Mr. Tiber stated that the prosecutor's office did not find anything in the ORC prohibiting the private sale of 65 Turner Dr. (Aquilla Village Hall) to Geauga Cleaning and Organizing, making this action not necessary in his opinion. Roll call vote was called.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Brindo: Aye, Mr. Tiber: Nay, Mr. Miller: Aye.

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Mr. Tiber will inform Ms. Krissy Rine to request further legal advice from the Ohio Ethics Commission on behalf of Claridon BOT.

ROADS

Mr. Brindo explained that there are approximately 5 culverts needing work on Ensign Road, prior to the road resurfacing project that will be taking place in 2027. He asked the BOT who's responsibility it would be to replace the culverts since Claridon's maintenance department no longer offers culvert replacements. Mr. Brindo added that ORC 5571.16 clearly states that culverts are homeowners' responsibility. He proposed the idea of possibly coming up with a package for homeowners where their culverts and tree/canopies would be partially taken care of by the Township maintenance department for a set/lower price than most contractors.

Mr. Brindo, Mr. Miller and Mr. Stenger will be meeting to discuss the best way of approaching and working with homeowners, needing work done prior to major road projects.

EVENTS

MOTION TO MAKE A \$300 DONATION TO BERKSHIRE TUNE BACKERS FOR PERFORMANCE/TRANSPORTATION COST FOR THE CLARIDON MEMORIAL DAY PARADE- 26-134

Motion by Mr. Tiber, second by Mr. Miller to make a \$300 donation to Berkshire Tune backers for performance/transportation costs for the Claridon Twp Memorial Day parade performance. There was a discussion that each year Berkshire marching band adds more joy to the event. Roll call vote was called.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion carried.

The BOT discussed the upcoming GCTA dinner/meeting in Chardon Twp on 7/8/2026; Mr. Tiber, Mr. Miller, Mr. Brindo, Ms. Brindo, Mr. Stenger, Mr. Alusheff, Mr. Wroblewski, and Mr. Rogers will be attending.

FISCAL ITEMS

The BOT was presented with a Fiscal report from Ms. Brindo.

MOTION TO PAY BILLS- 26-135

Motion by Mr. Tiber, second by Mr. Miller to approve by signing prior to or at this meeting wage and bills for warrants #12008 to #12017, and the electronic payments from #143 to #157, for a total expenditure of \$43,613.53. There was no discussion and a roll call vote was called.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

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Motion carried.

The BOT discussed/questioned the April invoice from Signature Lawn & Landscaping, received after the termination of their services.

MOTION TO PAY SIGNATURE LAWNS & LANDSCAPING FOR ONLY 2 SERVICES FROM THE APRIL INVOICE- 26-136

Motion by Mr. Tiber, second by Mr. Miller to pay Signature Lawns and Landscaping for only 2 cemetery services performed in the month of April. There was a discussion that Mr. Tiber will be contacting the owner for clarification of the additional charges in the April invoice. Roll call vote was called.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion carried.

Mr. Tiber reported that ADP was able to perform Mr. Hardman's and Ms. Brindo's computer switch promptly.

PARKS

Mr. Brindo reported that he recently met up with Mr. Brandon Fisher, Berkshire Rec., at the Claridon Rec Park to discuss recent improvements made to the baseball fields by the Fisher and Randal families (approximately \$10,000 worth). Mr. Brindo expressed how grateful the BOT is to both families, and wishes to make some low cost improvements to the playground area that is now frequently used by attendees of games and practices. Due to lack of funds, Mr. Brindo suggests cleaning up the playground by eliminating some of the old equipment and painting the remaining ones, to make the area smaller and more presentable.

Mr. Stenger suggested possibly even opening it up to the community to get together and clean up/improve the appearance of the playground area.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Tiber spoke about TextMyGov company and communication (texting) services they offer to communities. After a brief discussion the BOT decided that \$4,500-\$5,000 annual fee is not justifiable, due to lack of interested residents as of now via other communication avenues. (Email and Facebook) Mr. Tiber stated that he will continue to reach out to residents via Facebook, email and LED road sign.

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MEETINGS

The next Trustee meeting will be held on 6/15/2026 at 6pm, next Zoning Commission meeting will be held on 06/22/2026 at 6pm, and the next GCTA dinner/meeting will be held on 7/8/2026 at 6:30 pm in Chardon Township.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Jim Henessy, Taylor Wells Road, was attending to follow up on ditching issue that has been causing flooding of his yard. Mr. Henessy first reported the issues and fear of flooding basement last year. BOT will look into the issue.

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING-26-137

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

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion carried.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacey Brindo

Fiscal Officer



