

**Village of Clinton  
Regular Council Meeting Minutes  
Of  
Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018**

Mayor Knack called the meeting to order on Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Clinton Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Alethia Rantanis and recited by all those present.

Roll Call: Council Members Present: Ellen Conroy, Janice Godwin, Clarissa Allega, Kent Goch, and Marissa Gensimore.

Others Present: Allen Knack, Mayor; Marshal Pitchford, Village Solicitor; Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer; Mrs. Alethia Rantanis, and Mr. Lewis Rash.

Approval of Council Minutes: Mrs. Godwin moved to accept the minutes as written, and Mrs. Conroy seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Godwin, Allega, Goch, Gensimore, Conroy: Aye.

Solicitor's Report: **TO BE DELIVERED DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

Police Report: No Report.

Fire Chief's Report: No Report.

Street Commissioner's Report: No Report.

Fiscal Officer's Report: No Report.

Unfinished Business: None.

Mayor's Communications:

Mayor Knack and Street Superintendent Seigenthaler had alerted railroad officials to a mass of fallen trees that had collected alongside the Corman trestle, thereby preventing its demise.

Following up on conversations with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers regarding the Village's flooding predicament, set into motion by Mr. Rash, the Mayor had also been in contact with this entity. Thus far it had been established that no action could be taken until after the completion of a Congressionally approved study, of indeterminate length. The Army Corps of Engineers would fund the first \$100,000.00 of its total cost, estimated at \$900,000.00 to \$1.3 million.

Alternatively, The Village's OHM Engineering liaison had on its behalf attended a FEMA meeting, where he'd learned that if and when any subsidies become available, Clinton flood prevention ranked highest priority. Further, he'd had audience with Wayne County officials regarding the condition of the Taylor and Clinton Road intersection. An inventory of bridges within the Village revealed them to be in good working condition.

Mayor Knack had submitted to Zoning Inspector Funk a form, modeled after that employed by New Franklin, which would be utilized when necessary to obtain vehicle licensure information.

On the agenda for that evening's meeting of Council were two pieces of legislation for first-reading passage request. Authorization was being sought to apply for 2020 OPWC funding, firstly, toward North Cleveland Massillon Road culvert work, and secondly, toward North Cleveland Massillon Road paving.

#### Council Communications and Committee Reports:

At the community listening session conducted by the Northwest Board of Education, Mrs. Gensimore and Mrs. Conroy had learned of a ballot issue to be put forth in the near future. Income tax funding was being sought across a conglomerate of school districts, which would afford an increase in mental health and security staff. Passage in a majority of districts would make the policy unilateral across the conglomerate.

The concept of a Cleanup Clinton Day had been gaining momentum on Facebook forums, and Mrs. Gensimore consulted the Village Solicitor as to insurance protocol. It was determined that coverage would extend once a formal motion had been made. Mrs. Godwin noted that it would be worth checking the Village's rubbish removal contract prior to such an event. Mayor Knack suggested that \$437.00 recently received from the Village's paper recycling efforts from 2014-18 could be applied toward any expenses incurred, and would extend to provide supplies free of charge to participants.

#### Citizens' Comments:

Having placed a call to Congressman Jim Renacci's office, Mr. Lewis Rash had been informed that officials there had heretofore been unaware of flooding crises in the Village of Clinton. A letter composed by the Mayor and Council referencing the issue would be required to prompt investigation. Mr. Rash, additionally, would continue his campaign to garner Channel 8 and Fox News attention toward the matter.

Mrs. Alethia Rantanis pointed out a problem with road erosion, and described unsafe driving practices being exhibited by school transportation personnel.

#### Legislation:

##### First Readings

##### Resolution R-18-6

A Resolution authorizing the Village of Clinton Mayor and the Fiscal Officer to prepare and submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement and/or Local Transportation Improvement Programs and to execute contracts as required, and declaring an emergency.

Mrs. Gensimore motioned to set aside the Three Reading Rule, and Mrs. Allega offered a second.

Roll Call: Allega, Goch, Gensimore, Conroy, Godwin: Aye.

Mrs. Gensimore moved to adopt Resolution R-18-6. Second by Mrs. Allega.

Roll Call: Goch, Gensimore, Allega, Conroy, Godwin: Aye.

Resolution R-18-7

A Resolution authorizing the Village of Clinton Mayor and the Fiscal Officer to prepare and submit an application to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvement and/or Local Transportation Improvement Programs and to execute contracts as required, and declaring an emergency.

Mrs. Allega moved to suspend the rules, and Mr. Goch seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Conroy, Godwin, Allega, Goch, Gensimore: Aye.

Mrs. Allega moved to adopt Resolution R-18-6. Second by Mr. Goch.

Roll Call: Allega, Gensimore, Conroy, Goch, Godwin: all Aye, passing the motion.

New Business:

Mayor Knack had issued a memorandum for the Village Secretary describing the details of the Memorial Day Parade for information seekers. With the Akron Rubber Ducks' Clinton Village and Fireworks Night rapidly approaching, he'd require an estimated number of additional tickets necessary for purchase.

General Discussion: None.

Presentation of Bills:

Mrs. Conroy motioned to approve the purchase orders and pay the bills, and Mrs. Allega offered a second.

Roll Call: Godwin, Allega, Goch, Gensimore, Conroy: Aye.

Mrs. Gensimore then moved to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation, and Mrs. Allega seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Gensimore, Goch, Allega, Godwin, Conroy: Aye.

Returning from Executive Session, Mr. Goch motioned to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned.

  
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Bud McDaniel, Council President

  
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Mayor Allen Knack

  
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Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer