Village of Clinton Regular Council Meeting Tuesday, September 16, 2025

Mayor Bud McDaniel called the meeting to order on Tuesday, September 16, 2025, at 7:00 PM in Clinton Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tom Knepper and recited by those present.

Council Members Present: Jan Godwin, Rita Joseph, Ross Blankenship, Marissa Gensimore, and Keith Clackler. Matt Steiner was absent.

Others Present: Diane Gunter, Kent Goch, Marcy Wilson, Doug Wilson, Tom Knepper, and Tabi Barbu, residents.

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Joseph made a motion to approve the minutes of September 2, 2025, second by Mr. Blankenship.

There was one correction from Mr. Blankenship that needed to be made regarding the property tax amount mentioned in the Fiscal Officer's report. The house value presented was for a \$100,000 home, not \$400,000. Thirty-five thousand dollars is 35% of \$100,000.

Mrs. Joseph withdrew her motion and asked to set aside approving the September 2, 2025 Council meeting minutes until Sue Mayberry can verify the numbers stated on the recording, second by Mr. Blankenship.

Roll Call: Blankenship, Joseph, Godwin, Gensimore, and Clackler voted yes. Motion passes.

Unfinished Business

The new digital sign is working and Mrs. Weirick is programming it. Right now it shows Applefest. It's not too bright either. Mrs. Gensimore said we need to thank the Methodist church that has dissolved for sharing their funds with us for this signage. The fire station signage status was not known at this time.

Mrs. Gensimore brought up the IT company suggested the Dell Opti Flex to replace the computer at the Mayor's workstation and at the fire station as the fire fighters use every day. We looked at computers from a wholesale place in Cleveland but we would have to pick up. The same computer on Amazon is cheaper and can be shipped here. The cost is \$233.33.

Mrs. Gensimore made a motion to purchase two Dell Opti-Flex computers through Amazon as we can no longer update the ones we have.

Mr. Blankenship said the Amazon computers are not warranteed and not the same model numbers. For the same price if you go to the Micro Center, if you have a problem, you can go there and get them fixed. You can't go to Amazon like that. Mr. Clackler said he could pick them up as he is in the area frequently. We need to get them our tax-exempt paperwork when we purchase from the place in Cleveland and get someone to pick the computers up. We will ask Leah to set up this tax exemption.

Mrs. Gensimore made a motion to order these computers from Micro Center and set up a tax-exempt account, second by Mrs. Godwin.

Roll Call: Blankenship, Joseph, Godwin, Gensimore, and Clackler voted yes. Motion passes.

Mayor's Communications

Mayor McDaniel reported on movie night, and that the Summit County Landbank is the next free event, October 2, Movie on the Lawn. The Mayor has the brochure of this event if anyone is interested.

He reported that he needs to sign a document regarding the Opiod settlement.

There was a complaint about a house in the Village that was in disrepair. It's been purchased and will be taken down. Something else will be built there.

Mayor McDaniel read a Proclamation of the 238th Anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Constitution. The week of September 17-23 is Constitution Week.

Council Communications and Council Committee Reports – No reports.

Citizen's Comments

The Clinton Community Action group is going to be doing a Trunk or Treat at the old elementary school. That will be their last movie in the park and hopefully they will have two food trucks. Please keep an eye on Facebook for details.

Resolutions and Ordinances

First Readings

Resolution No. R-25-08

A Resolution Allowing the Mayor to Apply for Federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Funds Programmed by the Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (AMATS) to Construct Clinton Road Improvement Project and Declaring an Emergency.

No Second Readings.

Third Readings

Resolution No. R-25-06

A Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and, Certifying Them to the County Fiscal Officer for 2026, and Declaring an Emergency.

Mrs. Joseph made a motion to adopt, second by Mrs. Gensimore.

Roll Call: Blankenship, Joseph, Gensimore, Godwin, and Clackler voted yes. Motion passes.

New Business

Council General Discussion

Mayor McDaniel mentioned a place called Waldo, that has a restaurant famous for their fried bologna sandwiches.

Mr. Blankenship asked who is in charge if there is a train derailment. Mayor McDaniel said he has read the Village's procedure about it. Council members will be sent a copy.

Mrs. Gensimore reminded everyone we should have a meeting of the Council of the whole on these types of issues.

Presentation of Purchase Orders and Bills for Approval

Mrs. Gensimore made a motion to approve the bills, second by Mr. Blankenship.

Roll Call: Blakenship, Joseph, Gensimore, Godwin, and Clackler voted yes. Motion passes.

Mrs. Gensimore made a motion to adjourn, second by Mrs. Joseph at 7:33 PM. Meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Bud McDaniel

Matt Steiner, President of Council

Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer