

Village of Clinton
Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, March 5, 2024

Mayor Bud McDaniel called the meeting to order on Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at 7:00 PM in Clinton Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Diane Gunter and recited by those present.

Council Members present: Ross Blankenship, Matt Steiner, Ellen Conroy, Marissa Gensimore, Rita Joseph and Janice Godwin.

Others Present: Kevin White, Street Supt./Commissioner; Wayne Conroy, Fire Chief; New Franklin Police Officer Zampelli; Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer; and Diane Gunter, resident.

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Conroy made a motion to approve the minutes of February 20, 2024 as written, second by Mrs. Joseph.

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

Solicitor Monthly Report – Not in attendance.

Police Monthly Report

Officer Zampelli read the monthly report. (Attached)

Fire Chief Monthly Report (Attached)

Chief Conroy read the monthly report. He then reported that the background check for the new hire presented at the last meeting came back clean. He also presented another individual to hire, John Destefano, and his background check came back clean, as well.

Mrs. Gensimore made a motion to approve the hire of John Destefano to the Village fire department at the recommendation of the fire chief, second by Mrs. Godwin.

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

Chief Conroy brought up Route 21 and the work that will be done by ODOT. Mrs. Gensimore asked for clarification and Mayor McDaniel said he will cover in his report.

Street Commissioner Monthly Report

Mr. White reported that he salted and ordered more salt to fill up the shed. He put up a few new Clinton Village signs that we purchased. He has more to put up as well. He also said he was getting mowers ready for spring. He also did some more pothole repair.

Fiscal Officer's Report – No report.

Unfinished Business

Mr. Steiner said we need to approve the bid pricing for the sidewalk project. OHM recommended Perrin as the lowest and best bidder.

Mr. Steiner made a motion to accept Perrin as lowest and best bidder and enter into a contract for the sidewalk project, second by Mrs. Gensimore.

Mayor McDaniel asked if we are going to accept the Village spending up to the \$80,000 in this bid or cap at \$60,000 which is what we budgeted for it. If we recommend the \$79,995, we have to approve almost \$20,000 more to complete the project. Mrs. Weirick said the \$11,000 is our share. Mr. Steiner said we already approved that amount. This motion is to approve awarding the contract to Perrin.

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

Mayor's Communications

Mayor McDaniel read a proclamation for the Akron Public Library's sesquicentennial (attached). He then reported that he attended a meeting in Doylestown regarding the Michigan U-Turn project on Route 21. Clinton will not be affected as you will still be able to make a left-hand turn southbound off 21 onto Clinton Road. North bound you will have a right-hand turn lane but it will be lengthened. This will start in May with construction during the summer months. The project timeline is 2024, 2025, and 2026 will be when signage is installed.

Per the fire department, one side will be shut down and one-lane traffic, north and south, on the other side. Chippewa cannot come straight across. The northbound lane will be shut down first. You can check out ODOT's website to get updates.

He attended a district advisory committee and was nominated to be the Village representative.

Regarding the solar eclipse, there is a chance there could be cloud cover that day.

Council Communications and Council Committee Reports – No reports.

Citizens Comments – No comments.

Resolutions and Ordinances

No First or Third Readings

Second Readings

Resolution No. R-24-01

A Resolution Authorizing all Actions Necessary to Accept Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC) 2024 Energized Community Grant.

New Business – No new business.

Council General Discussion

Mrs. Joseph asked about mosquito spraying and was advised that Summit County puts out a schedule for when they are going to spray. To spray extra, the County sets traps to see if the number of mosquitos caught warrants more spraying.

Mrs. Gensimore brought up a comment made at the last meeting about having to keep money back for sewers. Mr. Steiner said he used the word "bandwidth". She thought a village sewer system is not affordable, per the county. Mr. Steiner said if we fix our personal systems, we would not need a

sewer system, but if we don't, we will need to spend a lot of money for sewers. She said she heard that the county is going to hold residents accountable for keeping their systems going. The mayor said the sewer is a dead issue at this point but if the red zone grows, they will reopen it. Improve your own septic system and the County says that will work and won't push us to get a public sewer.

Mrs. Gensimore stated that Movie Night is still being considered but there are some issues than may not allow us to do.

Mr. Blankenship asked about the sidewalks and if we are putting them in to beautify Clinton. He was told ADA compliance and safety are reasons for this project. He asked about the yellow house and why the zoning inspector can't get the owner to remove the trash. We do so much to make this town look great and then there is this house with the same pile of trash still there and also the vehicles sitting at Gordon's place. Mayor McDaniel said there is a process for fining property owners on these violations and will talk to the zoning inspector.

Presentation of Purchase Orders and Bills for Approval

Mr. Steiner highlighted OHM Advisors' engineering fee for the sidewalk project is \$3,100, and \$3,800 to Cargill is for salt. We get our salt from CUE, a co-op program, and we commit to buying so much and they commit to a low price. Mr. White indicated that as a whole group, several entities, take a certain amount of salt – we only have to take 80% as a whole group from Cargill. Mr. Blankenship asked if we could get bids from anyone else who supplies salt. He was told yes. We are in a contract with CUE at \$56.80 per ton which includes delivery.

Mrs. Godwin made a motion to approve the purchase orders and bills in the amount of \$45,184.57, second by Mrs. Conroy.

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

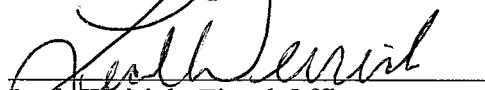
Mr. Steiner made a motion to adjourn at 7:38 PM, and was seconded by Mrs. Gensimore. Meeting was adjourned.



Mayor Bud McDaniel



Matt Steiner, President of Council



Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer