Village of Clinton Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

Mayor Bud McDaniel called the meeting to order on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 7:00 PM in Clinton Village Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Leah Weirick and recited by those present.

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

Others Present: Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer.

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Joseph made a motion to approve the minutes of April 2, 2024 as written, second by Mrs. Godwin.

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

Unfinished Business

Mr. Steiner reported that he had a discussion with Leon from Visual Edge IT. We had signed a contract for them taking over our IT and nothing has happened in four months. We have reached out to him. We had a host of reasons to make the contract null and void and he will send us another proposal next week. We can look for other companies which he said he recommended. Mrs. Gensimore said we don't need to have the IT people to handle the emails. Taking emails out of the equation may help us. She said she will contact a company she has spoken to before. Mayor McDaniel said profiles on the server has been an issue along with the number of emails we have which is cost prohibitive. Mr. Steiner said the firemen use individual emails for HIPPA reasons which may need to be streamlined. We need other quotes.

Mayor's Communications

Mayor McDaniel indicated he met with Amelia Sykes. Discussed was the train situation, Clinton Road, and potential funding/grants to assist us with these issues.

He received a phone call about starting a farmer's market. This may start up Memorial Day weekend. More should be posted on Facebook.

He spoke with Josh Garrison who is responsible for opening the gates at Portage Lakes. Opening at any different time other than when it is already done, is not possible.

Mayor McDaniel met someone who works for a consulting company who find grants. One example they gave was a salt shed canopy. We can have her come to a meeting to discuss what they could offer. He will ask our engineer first about what grants they can get for us as well. Mr. Steiner feels OHM looks for engineering grants primarily. The fire department uses Gatchell and they get a percentage if we get the grant.

The Summit County Sheriff's office offers concealed carry training/workshop. The laws constantly change. They offer a workshop every other month.

Governor DeWine sent out an email regarding the 2024 State of the State address and Mayor McDaniel read some clips from what was presented in the email.

The solar eclipse preparedness was very good.

Council Communications and Council Committee Reports

Mrs. Gensimore reported on the Community Development Committee meeting. Discussed was the Village yard sale. It is the third Saturday in July. This will be advertised in the newspaper, Your Community News, and Village website. Those interested in getting on a list of addresses participating, please send us an email with your address and the compiled list will go in the Village Kiosk at Village Hall. Flyers will be posted on the Village Facebook page and throughout town as well, and in the community newspaper. We will be reviewing issues with the website, and upcoming events in the community.

Mayor McDaniel wanted to add that when posting comments on social media we should distinguish if we are posting as a council member or as a citizen.

Mayor McDaniel said there is a letter to our Congress mmberspeople in our packet regarding laws for trains and how it affects the country financially. He does not want to fall in line with what will raise the cost of living. He asked for council's full review and advise whether or not to send out.

The mayor also added that the calendar feature in the lower right-hand corner on the website has been updated and is very useful.

Mrs. Gensimore reported on the email received from Summit County ReStore. This Friday, April 19, 12 to 4 PM, at 2301 Romig Road, the drop off site, you can take recycle items there. For some electronics a fee is charged. You can take latex paint, cardboard, paper shredding, etc. At different times they accept certain items, so call them for details if you have items to drop off to see if they will take. The County also offers once a year to take certain items as well. The date for this is not known at this time, but when known, will advise. This is good information for the community.

Citizens Comments - No discussion.

Resolutions and Ordinances

First Readings

Ordinance No. O-24-02

An Ordinance Amending Section 1113.10 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Clinton; and Declaring an Emergency.

Ordinance No. O-24-03

An Ordinance Amending Section 905.03(d) of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Clinton; and Declaring an Emergency.

Second Readings

Resolution No. R-24-04

A Resolution Amending the Annual Appropriations for the current expenses and other expenditures of the Village for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024, and declaring an emergency.

Resolution No. R-24-05

A Resolution Authorizing the repayment of funds from the CDBG Fund ("Project Fund") to the General Fund of the Village of Clinton, and declaring the same to be an emergency.

Resolution No. R-24-06

A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into Professional Services Agreement with OHM Advisors Regarding Individual MS4 Permit Application for Storm Water Management Plan (SWMP) (Task #1) and the Creation and Submission of Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPP) (Task #2); and Declaring an Emergency.

No third readings.

Mrs. Weirick said the appropriation legislation was changed from the first reading. The fire fund was awarded a grant for a new power cot. Our share for this grant added to this legislation.

Mr. Steiner asked why the RITA Collection Fee was so high - \$18,000. Mrs. Weirick said that we pay 7% of our collections and she will look at the history of this to double check this amount.

New Business - No new business.

Council General Discussion

Mrs. Joseph asked if the County takes hazardous waste materials during the year and she was told there are only certain times when this is done – usually one-day events once a year. There may be more dates this is done and you can contact the county for more information.

Presentation of Purchase Orders and Bills for Approval

Mr. Steiner highlighted the South Summit Stark Council of Governments Centralized Dispatch amount of \$1,757.

Mrs. Godwin made a motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$27,546.90 as presented, second by Mrs. Joseph.

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

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

Mayor Bud McDaniel

Leah Weirick, Fiscal Officer

Matt Steiner, President of Council