

**Clyde Township Monthly Board Meeting
Clyde Township Hall
August 16, 2022**

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Manoleas at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Compton, Voight, Manoleas, Turner, Dortman, DeShon and Neruda.

Presentation from Comcast Business

Jeff Hedeem met with Supervisor Manoleas and Stacey. Discussed the current situation at the Fire Department and the aging phone system. Comcast business would secure the internet bringing fiber optic to replace the existing hook up. There will be fewer risks of security breach, and more secure lines. If the service goes out Comcast will have the Township up and running in 4 hours. Supply new phones with no additional cost for trouble shooting. Also when end of life comes to the phones Comcast business will replace with new phones.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Kathy Marsh had concerns over the need to hire a general manager. Is office staff being overworked? Do other Township's do this? Supervisor Manoleas stated that this is something that is being looked at for the long term. Doesn't mean the Township is going to implement it.

Jackie Bligh mentioned that there could be a service out there that could be hired to do this job and this purpose.

Chuck Raski, thinks the board made a mistake on who supervises the employees. He believes that the Supervisor overlook DPW and the Clerk supervise the office staff.

Trustee Voight mentioned about Dan being lead man. Gave him a raise in order to keep good people working for the Township.

Minutes from 2nd Monthly Meeting of July 19, 2022

- Motion by Trustee Dortman support from Treasurer Compton to approve minutes of July 19, 2022 with corrected typo. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Minutes from 1st Monthly Meeting of August 3, 2022

- Motion by Trustee Dortman support from Treasurer Compton to approve minutes of August 3, 2022. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

- ✓ Motion by Treasurer Dortman support from Trustee Voight to approve Treasurer's report dated August 3, 2022 presented and subject to audit. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Bills Presented

- ✓ Motion by Trustee Dortman support from Treasurer Compton to approve list of bills-pay in reference to list of bills dated August 16, 2022. General/\$16,1668.73 Water Department \$7,814.45 total of \$16,9483.18 monthly payroll \$38,631.90. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

- ✓ Motion by Clerk Turner support from Supervisor Manoleas to add invoice from Ft. Gratiot Fire Department to the agenda. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.
- ✓ Motion by Clerk Turner support from Trustee Voight to add invoice from Decker Insurance to the agenda. Discussion. Supervisor Manoleas wanted to wait on this topic. Next meeting on the 1st Tuesday of September.

Clerk Turner withdrew her motion.

Reports

Report from Building Department-Rod Cowan/One New residence, one house addition, one home remodel, windows and deck, one storage shed, one covered front porch, one overhang on garage, one solar panels, one certificate of occupancy.

Report from the Ordinance Officer-Bonnie DeShon/Report submitted and on file. Garlick Road report will be later after the Health Department is involved.

Report from the Fire Department- Chief Dortman/Six medical emergencies three weather stand-by, two PI accidents, three mutual aid – Grant/Kenockee, one false alarm, one illegal burn, and one cover assignment.

Annual hose testing has been completed. Only one hose failed. Due to a manufacture recall, the new air packs had to be inspected and flow tested, no issues were found, all passed. The Fire Department received man complimented on Election Day regard the improvement to the station. (Floors, kitchen, parking lot and gear racks.)

Report from the Planning Commission-Mike McGriff/Commission is looking at the enforcement ordinance for and recommending an increase in the fines. Also looking at the burning ordinance. Needs some revisions to make it correct. Need to let people know the Planning Commission needs another member. Would like to put on the signs at the Hall and the Fire Department.

Also would like it in the Newsletter.

Report of Parks and Recreation Committee-Sherry Walter/Spinner delivered, new trash cans will be delivered in September. Also working with the County on a couple more grants for the playgrounds.

Report from the Cemetery Advisory Committee-Franz Neruda/Still cutting grass putting foundations in.

Correspondence

Supervisor Manoleas reported to the Board that he talked with Mikkey about using the 2023 LFRAP for ditching matching funds. Put this topic on the next agenda.

OLD UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

COMCAST BUSINESS

Supervisor Manoleas mentioned that at the last meeting Stacey stated that this would cost the Township around \$100.00 more a month for this service. He would like Stacey to work on getting an annual amount on this expenditure. Put this topic on the 1st monthly meeting.

COMPENSATION FOR IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR OVER THE OFFICE STAFF AND DPW EMPLOYEES

Trustee Neruda requested to have this topic removed.

SECTION 11

Clerk Turner made revisions to Article 10 & 12. These revisions were items from Article 11 which will eliminate Article 11.

- ✓ Motion by Supervisor Manoleas support from Trustee Dortman to approve the elimination of Article 11, and make revisions in Article 10 and 12 from the Zoning Ordinance Book. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

SECURITY SYSTEM (SUPERVISOR MANOLEAS)

Supervisor Manoleas would like the Board to consider a security system for the Township Hall, DPW building and the Fire Hall. This is something the Township needs to look at. Supervisor Manoleas supplied the Board with the MTA sheet concerning safety. Discussion. It seems that Dan has bids from different companies that he will supply to the Board. Put this topic on the 2nd meeting of the month.

DTE

Discussion about the roundabout at Keewahdin and North Rod and how the Township is expected to pay an annual fee of \$1,075.68 to light four streetlights for this project. Discussion that the Township did not want this roundabout and that the Township will fight this cost. Trustee Voight would like the Township attorney to look this contract over. Put on next month's 2nd meeting.

Another DTE topic is changing all streetlights over to LEDs. Discussion.

- ✓ Motion by Supervisor Manoleas support by Trustee Voight to convert all streetlights in the Township to LEDs in the amount of \$19,192.00 with a payback of 2.7 years. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried

Supervisor Manoleas will have the attorney look this over.

NEW BUSINESS

FENCE ON TOWNSHIP PROPERTY

Trustee Neruda brought this topic to the Board. He stated that this fence needs to be taken care of because the Township agreed with EGLE to keep this area of the park fenced off so people could not get close to this area. Also liability of the Township was mentioned. Discussion. Legal agent of the Township, Supervisor Manoleas will take care of this concern.

DUGOUTS

Trustee Neruda mentioned that contingency funds would pay for this project. Stands/bleachers are broken and in need of repair, too. It was mentioned that it could be a liability to the Township if a child hurts themselves on the bleachers or the dugouts. Trustee Neruda stated that the DPW will go thru it and take care of it.

- ✓ Motion by Trustee Neruda support from Supervisor Manoleas to take down the dugouts and remove the debris also look at the bleachers cost up to \$1,200.00. Yeas: 4 Nays: 3 Motion carried.

TIRE FOR BLUE LANDSCAPE TRAILER

Three bids were acquired for these tires. Discount Tire, Great Lakes and Belle Tire. Belle Tire was the lowest quote. Discussion not need for a motion expenditure is under \$1,000.

2022 REQUEST FOR LOCAL MILLAGE DISTRIBUTION

- ✓ Motion by Clerk Turner support from Trustee Dortman to approve the 2022 local millage distribution form of the County. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 22-14 WATER RATES

- ✓ Motion by Supervisor Manoleas support Trustee Neruda to approve Resolution 22-14 increase of water rates.

Roll Call Vote: Dortman/yes, Compton/yes, Manoleas/yes, Voight/yes, Neruda/yes, DeShon/yes and Turner/yes. Motion carried.

Ft. Gratiot invoice for Standby fee

- ✓ Motion by Supervisor Manoleas support from Trustee Neruda to approve the invoice from Ft. Gratiot in the amount of \$1,400 for stand by fee. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Tidbits

Clerk Turner addressed the Board about the memos she handed out and emailed to them. No one responds to them, positive or negative feedback is non-existent, she is tired of being ignored

SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT OPEN AT 8:14 P.M.

Kathy Marsh had concerns about the funding of tearing down the dugouts.

Treasurer Compton was stating that the Parks and Rec Committee was going to eventually get to the dugouts.

Jackie Bligh does not recall the topic of the bleachers mentioned before. She suggested that the Board look at what they are voting on. Too quick to spend money.

Cindy Duncan did not like the idea of not letting the Board Rep speak on this topic. She feels that the Parks and Rec was blindsided on this topic. The way it was handled it seemed like an attack.

Sherry Beiser Walters stated that there was not mention about liability when the Disc golf course went in. Communication is gone.

Trustee Neruda stated that Morgan supplied the Township with a certificate of insurance when he was doing this work.

Clerk Turner had questions about the Spicer Group.

PUBLIC COMMENT CLOSED AT 8:31 P.M.

- Motion by Supervisor Manoleas support from Trustee Neruda to adjourn meeting. Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
by Kathleen Turner, Clerk

Approved by Ernie Manoleas
Supervisor