

The Clinton Township Board of Trustees

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The Meeting of the Clinton Township Board of Trustees was held on June 20th at 7pm at 999 Chambers Rd Present were Trustees Jane Cera, Carl Reardon, and Aliena Sword, Fiscal Officer Deb Steele, Fire Chief Fraley, Police Chief Jones, Superintendent of Roads Villa, Code Enforcement Officer Whalen, and several residents.

GENERAL

Res. No. 18-06-018 Motion by Trustee Cera to approve the agenda with flexibility. 2nd Trustee Sword. Vote: Trustee Sword – Yes, Trustee Reardon – Yes, Trustee Cera –Yes

Res. No. 18-06-019 Motion by Trustee Cera to approve the June 6th. minutes. 2nd Trustee Reardon. Vote: Trustee Sword – Yes, Trustee Reardon – Yes, Trustee Cera –Yes

Res. No. 18-06-020 Motion by Trustee Cera to approve the June 13th. minutes. 2nd Trustee Sword. Vote: Trustee Sword – Yes, Trustee Reardon – Yes, Trustee Cera –Yes

Trustee Cera provided an update about solar powered Street Lights that the Township is texting. There are currently one light at the 1836 Case Rd Community Garden and one light at the 1000 Chambers Cir Community Garden. Residents are encouraged to see if they would like something like this as lighting on their own street. Feedback should be provided to the staff or Trustees of the Township.

Trustees received phone calls about the utility poles that are being updated on Ferris Rd. Trustees encouraged residents contact [Mr. Meeks](#) a Franklin Co. Traffic Engineer with concerns.

COMMITTEE & WORKING GROUP REPORTS:

Trustee Reardon updated everyone that the Beautification working group has about 31 entries. There will be a judge for each side of the Township.

Trustee Cera from the Construction working group updated everyone that the building is scheduled to be completed by the end of August. The Township will need a few weeks to move in, ideally mid to late September the move should be complete.

Res. No. 18-06-021 Motion by Trustee Cera to approve a building change order 1A-17 needed to change the location of the parking lot gate. 2nd Trustee Reardon. Vote: Trustee Sword – Yes, Trustee Reardon – Yes, Trustee Cera –Yes

Res. No. 18-06-022 Motion by Trustee Cera to approve a building change 1A-16 for \$600 for inside informational signs. 2nd Trustee Sword. Vote: Trustee Sword – Yes, Trustee Reardon – Yes, Trustee Cera –Yes

Trustee Sword stated she was waiting for a list of materials needed for the West side community garden. Resident Nick Gani said he provided a list to Trustees about a month ago. The Road Dept can pick up the items from Lowes when rain would prevent other work getting done. The lumber can be delivered directly at the site. Trustee Sword will connect with Nick Gani to obtain the needed items.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER

No new business

FIRE

No new business

POLICE

Res. No. 18-06-023 Motion by Trustee Cera to approve a purchase order to Patterson Pope in the amount of \$4,259.98 for new lockers utilizing line item 2081-210-430. 2nd Trustee Reardon. Vote: Trustee Sword – Yes, Trustee Reardon – Yes, Trustee Cera –Yes

Res. No. 18-06-024 Motion by Trustee Cera to hire Michael Kiser as a part time police officer at step 1 from fund 2081-210-100 effective June 29th and upon completion of polygraph and physical. 2nd Trustee Reardon. Vote: Trustee Sword – Yes, Trustee Reardon – Yes, Trustee Cera –Yes

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ROAD

Res. No. 18-06-025 Motion by Trustee Cera to approve a purchase order to Franklin Township for a Berming Machine in the amount of \$6,799.04 utilizing line item 2031-330-430. 2nd Trustee Reardon. Vote: Trustee Sword – Yes, Trustee Reardon – Yes, Trustee Cera –Yes

There was information provided about a crack seal vendor that would allow the township to use their machine, this is the same company the County uses. There is no time limit on how long the township uses the equipment. Trustee Cera asked about insurance needs. Superintendent of Roads Villa responded that he thinks the insurance policy needs are covered but he will look more into it.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

No new business

NEW BUSINESS

Residents in attendance stated they were upset Mr. Skip Apple was no longer the Township Manager.

Carol Stuart read a letter in that she stated Trustee Cera was potentially creating a hostile work environment. Specifically in an email written Sept 6th 2017 Trustee Cera wrote to the other two Trustees at the time that the use of the term “young lady” by Township Manager to legal counsel for the Township seemed unprofessional to Trustee Cera. For Ms. Stuart reading that Trustee Cera stated to Manager Apple to “stop such practices immediately” in an email seemed excessive and Trustee Cera could have stated her concerns in person. Ms. Stuart believes Trustee Cera’s management style is authoritarian and dictatorial and that Ms. Stuart wanted to remind Trustee Cera she is no one’s boss, rather she is one of three trustees. Ms. Stuart encouraged Trustee Cera to be more kinder and cooperative.

Gerry Edwards who lives on Ferris Rd is very upset about the utility pole upgrades happening along Ferris Rd. He did some research and learned there was \$10M invested in bring fiber optics to the Columbus area but the Township is actually getting skipped. He had been on the phone with Mr. Meeks as well from the County Engineer’s Office. Resident Pam Aman asked why there seems to be no collaboration with the County and the City and Township. Trustee Sword offered Mr. Meeks phone number as 614-525-6034. Resident Jane Margiotta wants all of the Trustees to be on the same email to Mr. Meeks about these problems.

Resident Bobbie Olt announced that the Summer Festival will happen Sat. July 7th 1pm till 9pm at the Westside Playground.

Resident Nick Gani reported that honeysuckle was removed from Chamber Circle. He suggested bringing in an arborist to clean up stumps.

Ms. Olt asked Fiscal Officer Steele why the May Fiscal Report was not ready. She responded she has updated management with reports but the books for the month were not ready to be closed yet.

Res. No. 18-06-026 Motion by Trustee Cera to move into an executive session for the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion or compensation of a Township employee. 2nd Trustee Reardon. Vote: Trustee Sword – Yes, Trustee Reardon – Yes, Trustee Cera –Yes
Start 7:49pm
End 8:08pm

Res. No. 18-06-027 Motion by Trustee Cera to move into an executive session for the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion or compensation of a Township employee. 2nd Trustee Reardon. Vote: Trustee Sword – Yes, Trustee Reardon – Yes, Trustee Cera –Yes
Start 8:09pm
End 8:37pm

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Trustee Cera moved to adjourn and Trustee Reardon 2nd

Meeting ended at 8:37pm

ATTEST:

Jane Cera, Chair

Deborah Steele, Fiscal Officer