

TOWN OF CLINTON REGULAR BOARD MEETING

June 18th, 2024

The regular meeting of the Town of Clinton was called to order by Chairman Peter Ramfjord at 7:00 PM with Supervisors Robert Butler, Cal Warwas, Peter Ramfjord, Treasurer Elaine Santi, Fire Chief Jim Theodore, EMR Coordinator Kyle Tomczyk and stand-in Clerk Isabelle Warwas. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were distributed. Supervisor Butler motioned to waive the reading of the minutes, seconded by Supervisor Warwas. Motion carried unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report was provided and read by Treasurer Santi. Supervisor Butler motioned to accept the financial report, seconded by Supervisor Warwas and unanimously carried.

Chairman Ramfjord motioned to pay the submitted bills and claim forms. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Butler and prevailed unanimously.

Chairman Ramfjord reviewed the correspondence.

Fire Chief Theodore stated the Department responded to two or three department alarms, one a car accident. Chief Theodore stated that the Dept. is raising more than it is spending and have turned in applications for all but one grant. Chief Theodore stated the McDavitt people have completed their Fire and First Responder training and that they are doing well but lack equipment. Chief Theodore stated that the MN Energy Grant application has been submitted and that all other grants are status quo. Chief Theodore stated that he ordered the necessary PPE for Joe Brown, whose training will begin in September. Chief Theodore also stated that he is in the investigation phase of finding HR Help/ an HR Plan and will update us later. Chief Theodore stated that he would like OSHA and SCBA physicals to be required annually and if they are not performed the perpetrators are not allowed in the hot zone. Chief Theodore also stated that he would like to implement some consequences for volunteers consistently not coming to the Fire Dept. Meetings (e.g., there will be consequences if you miss three meetings in a row.) Chief Theodore also proposed two mandatory courses in Emergency Vehicle Operation, which would come out to \$2,800/person, and is hoping it would be reimbursable. Chief Theodore stated that he was planning to test the Fire Dept. hoses and ladders around the end of June, and that he was contemplating an SCBA flow test for this year. Chief Theodore also proposed a new employee policy of not purchasing any new gear for a volunteer until their training is complete (except in the necessary circumstance of Joe Brown), and that if a volunteer fails training and does not retake it, they must reimburse the Fire Dept.

EMR Coordinator Kyle Tomczyk gave the EMS/First Responders report, stating that they responded to five calls, two of which were from McDavitt. EMR Coordinator Tomczyk also stated that they are looking into getting some quotes on T-Shirts to help identify themselves at calls, and also that starting in July they are going to work on getting more certifications so they can help more.

The Recreation Board Report was given by Ramfjord, and was somewhat combined with Visitor Input. It has been determined that the IRRR has been giving 1/1 match grants. The grant cycle is from July – September, and Supervisor Butler will look into getting a grant next year for the hockey rink. Cherry wants to use the ballfields and asked for a donation; the decision was

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unanimous, and Treasurer Santi wrote a check for \$1.5K. The Township may also provide certain supplies, such as agri-lime, as well as cutting the grass. Treasurer Santi also requested to be notified before ball games take place. As far as the Visitor Input goes, Chad Greenly thought having both the tennis court and the pickleball courts would be a good idea. We have both of these things already but will be looking to upgrade the tennis court in the future and the pickleball nets closer to the present.

The other Visitor Input was from Connie Elg, wondering if the date for the repaving could be changed, as it landed on a Ruby's Pantry day. It was determined that while it was unfortunate to schedule the paving for that time, it was necessary, and Ruby's Pantry found somewhere else to hold their event. It was also brought up that people who rent the building have been using the green dumpster that Ruby's Pantry pays for, and that the Board needs to tell people not to use it.

The Roads and Bridges Report was given by Cal Warwas. The Skidsteer grading has not been done yet; Jacobsen got one round in. Supervisor Ramfjord will try to schedule a grading, but it will probably be booked out by a couple of months. The Board will discuss getting some millings on the apron of the Fire Hall.

Old Business – Supervisor Warwas gave an announcement concerning the broadband grant. Paul Bunyan is going to get started on the project and will be planning to park in the gravel pit. National Night Out will be on August 5th. Supervisor Warwas says he has confirmation of the bouncy house, but there will be no axe trailer this year. The BSA will not be coming to cook the food, and Supervisor Warwas will look into changing our NNO sign date decals, as well as contacting Brock Kick. Jim Theodore may reach out to Life Flight, and our Fire Dept. will have their water fight. We also need to figure out our PA System – Supervisor Warwas will call Doug Ellis again this year.

New Business – MN Dept. of Health requires that trailer parks have a shelter plan in case of tornados. Two trailer park owners have come forward, but the Township has yet to move on this. Various points were discussed, and there will be a special meeting to discuss both the trailer parks shelter plan and NNO on July 2nd, at 4 PM.

For Public Comment, it seems that there may need to be some ditching on Mayry Rd., as well as rock for the Rip-Wrap.

Chairman Ramfjord motioned that the meeting be adjourned until the next regular meeting on July 16th, 2024, beginning at 6:00 PM. Supervisor Butler seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously, allowing the meeting to adjourn at 7:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Isabelle Warwas, Stand-In Clerk

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