

Village of Clinton
November 7, 2016

The meeting opened at 7:00 pm.

Members present were President Mowery, Carl Habrick, Larry Sines, Joe Orban, Bonnie Peters, Doris Kemner and Greg Michalak.

Motion was made by Kemner and seconded by Peters to approve the open and closed minutes of October 3, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Orban and seconded by Michalak to approve the checks written for the period ending October 31, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Council discussed the Lenawee County Solid Waste Management plan and directed the Manager to write the County seeking direction on how they would fund the recycling program.

The state notified the Township that it's property tax assessment records were deficient. The Township is preparing an action plan to address the state's concerns.

The Andrah Foundation generously made donations to the Village for three years to fund the Clinton Farmers Market. The Clinton Arts Center graciously volunteered to run the Market next year. They would like to use some of the Farmers Market signs, computer, social media and other items.

Motion was made by Orban and seconded by Sines to sell back some of the Farmers Market inventory to the Andrah Foundation for one dollar. Motion carried with Kemner and Peters abstaining because of a potential conflict of interest with them being on the board.

Motion was made by Orban and seconded by Sines to adopt Ordinance Number 2016-03. An ordinance to repeal Ordinance Number 2 of 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

Council was notified the Clinton Community Foundation would like to help make a capital improvement in the Village.

Council was updated on the Woolen Mill sidewalk repairs.

Council discussed the US Supreme Court ruling on sign regulations. The Planning Commission will work with the Village's planning consultant to amend our sign ordinances.

Council member Bonnie Peters gave an overview of the Christmas Parade which will be on December 3, 2016, at 7:00 pm. The parade is still seeking groups to participate in

the parade. They need a sound system because the company that donated their services for previous parades is not available this year.

Motion was made by Sines and seconded by Peters to approve the 2017 Council and Planning Commission meeting dates for 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Sines and seconded by Michalak to approve the 2017 Council committee appointments. Motion carried unanimously.

Council was updated on the two bids for the management of the trust investments. The Village will review all investments before making a decision.

Motion was made by Habrick and seconded by Sines to receive and file the Council information packet. Motion carried unanimously.

The Village Manager reported on a request for placing a geocache location at Tate Park.

Council was very supportive of Clinton Rotary's flag program subject to them coordinating with the Village for locations within ROW, MISS DIG and clear vision at intersections.

Motion was made by Kemner and seconded by Sines to authorize the Village Manager to execute the amended 457 Employee Retirement Plan which changes the excluded employees. Motion carried unanimously.

The following comments were from Council. Larry Sines thanked President Merlin Mowery for his 20 years of service on Council. Joe Orban thanked Merlin and reminded everyone to vote. Doris Kemner thanked Merlin. She asked if Christmas lights could be put up across from the fire department, by the old Clinton Local site, on the new gazebo and on the park pedestrian bridge. She asked about different ways to use the skate park area. Greg Michalak said Sunset Drive is still bumpy after the chip seal.

President Mowery reflected on his 20 years as Village President. He thanked past and present Council members, the Village employees and community.

Motion was made by Orban and seconded by Sines to go in to closed session pursuant to Section 8 (c) of the Open Meetings Act, to discuss union negotiations for the 2017 contracts. Motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Closed session started at 8:37 pm.

Motion was made by Orban and seconded by Habrick to go back into open session. Open session started at 9:15 pm.

Motion was made by Habrick and seconded by Orban to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:16 pm.

Toni Gibson, Clerk

Date