

Village of Clinton
Council Minutes
November 6, 2023

The meeting opened at 7:02 pm.

Members present were President Doris Kemner, Larry Sines, Joe Orban, Bonnie Peters, Greg Michalak and Bill Sherman.

Motion by Michalak seconded by Sherman to approve the regular Council minutes dated October 2, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Officer Dillon Howe was presented with a Life Saving Award.

Jon Nowinski from Lally Group presented the 2022-23 Audit.

Sean McNatt, Clinton Local Editor, asked questions about the audit.

Motion by Orban seconded by Sines to accept the resignation of President Pro-Tem, Carl Habrick after 36 years of service on Council. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Orban seconded by Michalak to appoint Larry Sines to the Fire Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Sines seconded by Peters to appoint Bill Sherman to the Park Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Michalak seconded by Peters to appoint Larry Sines as President Pro-Tem. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Peters seconded by Sherman to approve the checks written for period ending October 31, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Michalak seconded by Peters to approve the final payment of \$151,372.74 to Kent Power for the electric substation project. Motion carried unanimously.

Village Manager provided an update on his and the Clerk's efforts to express the Village's concerns to Senator Irwin and Representative Zorn regarding the potential impacts of Michigan legislation on the reliability and affordability of the electric industry.

Motion by Sines seconded by Peters to adopt Park Grant Award Resolution 2023-10. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Sines seconded by Sherman to authorize up to \$25,000 to PM Blough Inc for the Park Grant design, bidding and construction engineering services. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Michalak seconded by Peters to authorize up to \$9,000 to Engineered Logic LLC for the design and bidding phase engineering for the Sunset Construction Project. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Sines seconded by Peters to adopt Resolution 2023-11 promoting Local Control Over solar, wind and mining operations. Motion carried unanimously.

Council agreed to hold a special Council Meeting on November 20, 2023.

Motion by Michalak seconded by Orban to receive and file the Council Information Package. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Peters thanked the Clinton High School students for helping community members rake leaves.

President Kemner provided an update on many items including an awards ceremony she participated in for the Girl Scouts; the Village has applied for several grants and has been awarded about \$750,000 in grant funding; the DDA Marketing Plan will be presented to the DDA and Council; President Kemner and the Village Manager are working with Lenawee Now on applying for a Historical Grant to improve downtown structures; McDonald's plan is to quickly sell the building; and she reminded everyone that Christmas in the Village will be on December 2, 2023.

Motion by Orban seconded by Sines to go into closed session, pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, to discuss union contract negotiations. Motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Closed session started at 8:35 pm.

Motion by Orban and seconded by Sines to go into open session. Motion carried unanimously. Open session started at 9:20 pm.

Motion by Sines and seconded by Sherman to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Leslie Owens, Village Clerk

Date