Call to Order

Trustee Louis Faivor called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.; all in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance

Attendance revealed Trustee Louis Faivor, Treasurer Bonnie Wohlfert, and Trustee Elizabeth June. Also, in attendance were 6 others. Supervisor Eric Voisinet was excused due to illness and Clerk Sandra June was excused due to travel out of state..

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Treasurer Bonnie Wohlfert to add Holly Phinney as a Special Presenter and to approve the December 12, 2022, agenda; seconded by Trustee Elizabeth June. MOTION CARRIED.

Special Presenter

Doug Steffen, Clinton County Road Commission

- a) 2022 was a busy year with road projects; CCRC appreciates the investment by Olive Township in the roads. 2023 planning and a road tour will be scheduled with Eric Voisinet. Roads are rated using the PASER system (a visual method to measure the condition of paved roads in Michigan). CCRC saw an improvement of 12 points from 2020 to 2021 and are planning the same for 2021 to 2022.
- b) The CCRC 2023 budget passed recently with a push on roads to get the PASER numbers up.
- c) The MDOT Traffic Summit is scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 15 from 9-11 am; Olive board members are welcome to attend.
- d) The March 2023 township cost share will increase.
- e) The new CCRC facility is moving along well; October 2023 is the projected opening date. The project is funded by a fuel tax increase and a 20 year, 2.8% bond obtained just prior to Covid.

Gail Watkins provided an update on the Clinton Area Transit System.

- a) CATS is using salt from the cheese plant to save money.
- b) The new CATS building on Scott Road is scheduled for completion in February 2023.
- c) CATS board members are planning to attend one township meeting per year.
- d) Ridership is increasing. CATS has 45 employees; they could use more buses but can't get them.
- e) CATS will be hosting the April Clinton County Officers Association meeting.

Special Presenter

Holley Phinney provided an election update. She thanked the board for opening the wall between the rooms; it really helped with the flow of voters. They had a great group of workers. The turnout was 1,494 voters, 73%. Trustee Louis Faivor thanked them for the hard work.

Adam Stacey asked how nine days of early voting would be handled by the township. The topic was discussed briefly.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Treasurer Bonnie Wohlfert, seconded by Trustee Elizabeth June to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2022, meeting with the following change, "called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm". MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report

 Beginning Balance
 \$411,799.45

 Receipts
 2,482.44

 Disbursement
 (26,331.35)

 Balance on Hand
 \$387,950.54

A motion was made by Trustee Elizabeth June to accept and place on file the Treasurer's Report. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Payment

A motion was made by Treasurer Bonnie Wohlfert, seconded by Trustee Elizabeth June to approve the payment of the invoices in the amount of \$26,331.35, Check# 9855-9874, the correction to check# 9831 from \$139 to \$296 and the two automatic payments. MOTION CARRIED. For additional information, see Clerk's Bills Payable Report.

Sheriff's Report

Clinton County Sheriff Deputy Vance was not present.

DAESA Report

DAESA representative Ryan Cressman presented the following:

- a) The new fire truck has arrived; it is being outfitted and markings applied.
- b) The monthly meeting cadence is the same for 2023.
- c) The Westphalia agreement has been approved, same as past years.
- d) Two vehicles were sold: one to a private individual and one to the City of St. Johns.

Assessor

Olive Township Assessor, Peggy Lidgard presented the following:

- a) Peggy is working on February notices and will look into the cost to add the "Olive Township News" on colored paper to the mailing.
- b) Veteran exemption reminders were mailed.
- c) Board of Review is cancelled since there are none.

County Commissioner

County District 4 Commissioner Adam Stacey

- a) The new County administrator, John Fuentes was hired; start date is mid-January with an overlap of two weeks with Craig Longnecker before his retirement.
- b) Solar farms of 100 acres are being discussed on farmland. Federal subsidies skew the numbers.
- c) With the redistricting, this is Adam Stacey's last meeting. Ken Mitchell will take over January 1, 2023.
- d) The sign at the park and ride, discussed at previous meetings, is technically not wrong. The organization is a 501c and they are allowed to do this.

Library Report

None.

Public Comments

None.

Information Items

a) EMS Runs:

November – 11 runs; 4 downed power lines; 5 EMS; 2 cancelled enroute; 1 nonbillable

Treasurer Bonnie Wohlfert suggested providing some type of billing backup (for auditing purposes) for the collection's costs.

The jury trial case paid the reduced \$200 fee and settled. The other case reduced to \$200 has until 12/13/22 to pay. One court case scheduled for 12/20/22 at 8:45 am.

b) 2023 Informational Dinner

Discussed proposed dates; 3/2/23 will likely be selected. Topic will be discussed further at January meeting.

c) Approval of Olive Township Newsletter

Discussed proposed changes recorded by Trustee Elizabeth June. Peggy needs final version by mid-February. Treasurer Bonnie Wohlfert moved to TABLE until next month. MOTION CARRIED.

Old Business

Olive Township Building Improvements – To be determined.

New Business Fire/EMS Ordinance Attorney

- a) Discussed the proposed fee of not to exceed \$3,000.
- b) Suggested contacting Gail Watkins, Dave Cook, or MTA for historical information and guidance.

Board Member Comments Trustee Elizabeth June will attend January meeting but will be on

leave for February and March. Clerk Sandra June will return for

the May meeting.

Adjournment With no further business to come before the Board, a motion was

made by Treasurer Bonnie Wohlfert, seconded by Trustee Elizabeth June to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 p.m. MOTION

CARRIED.

Respectfully recorded and submitted by Treasurer Bonnie Wohlfert, Olive Township

NOTE: These minutes are subject to approval at the January 9, 2023, Olive Township board meeting.