

Township of Clinton
Lenawee County
172 W. Mich. Ave.
Clinton Township Hall

July 13, 2026 – Clinton Township Board Meeting

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Murphy, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

Board Members Present:

- Supervisor Murphy, Clerk Scott, Treasurer Kovalski, Trustee Couture, Trustee Greenleaf

Motion to Approve Minutes:

- Motion by Kovalski, seconded by Couture, to approve the minutes from the June 8, 2026 meeting.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No. **Motion passed.**

Guest Introduction and Citizens Present:

- Brad Heineman, Jason Owen, Jim and Sandie Brissette, Vivian and Mathew Witte, Jim and Linda Strickland, Nancy Peltas, Ed Engle.

Citizens' Concerns: Jim Strickland discussed the use of Google Earth to identify blight and referenced methods other townships have used to address blighted properties. Jason Owens expressed concerns about the need to draft an ordinance regarding Flock Safety cameras. Sandy Brissette raised concerns about election fraud. Matthew, Vivian Witte, and Nancy Peltas spoke on issues related to election integrity, fair elections, the prosecution of voter fraud, and concerns that current tabulator security measures are insufficient.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Kovalski commented that she has no concerns.

- **Motion** by Scott, seconded by Greenleaf, to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No. **Motion passed.**

Clerk's Report:

- **Clerk Scott** reported that early voting cards have been mailed, and early voting begins on July 25. A total of 661 absentee ballots have been mailed, with 122 returned as of the meeting date. She noted ongoing mail delivery issues, stating that some voters have experienced delays of several weeks in receiving their ballots, and some are still waiting despite all ballots having been mailed on the same day. Clerk Scott also reminded attendees that the Fire Department Renewal millage is on the ballot.
- **Motion** Greenleaf, seconded by Couture to approve the clerk's report.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No. **Motion passed.**
- **Payment Approvals:**

Motion by Greenleaf, seconded by Scott, to pay \$15,963.21 for the 101 Township bills.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No. **Motion passed.**

Motion by Scott, seconded by Kovalski, to pay \$3,415.22 for the 209 Riverside Cemetery bills.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No. **Motion passed.**

Motion Scott, seconded by Greenleaf to approve, to pay \$26,324.00 for the 206 Fire bills.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No. **Motion passed.**

Supervisor's Report:

- **Ordinance Officer Scott** provided a statement on the handling of blight complaints. He stated that they working with the township lawyer with the previous complaints.
- **Supervisor Murphy** provided information regarding the Fire Department millage. He reported that the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) grant from the Village of Clinton has been approved, allowing the Township to move forward with building façade repairs by On The Level. Under the existing agreement with the Clinton Masons, one-third of the repair cost will be paid by the Masons, with an additional \$5,000 funded through the DDA grant.
- **Riverside Cemetery:**
- **Supervisor Murphy** also reported that several trees have fallen in the cemetery and that one tree is at risk of falling onto a neighboring resident's property, requiring removal. He further discussed the need to contact the owner of Waterwheel regarding trees extending over the cemetery that pose a potential hazard to cemetery headstones.

New Business:

1. **Flock cameras:** Discussion was tabled until a future meeting to allow for additional research and to invite the Sheriff's Office to attend and provide information and answer questions regarding the use of Flock cameras.
2. **Building Inspector Training:** The Building Inspector expressed interest in attending a training program in September or October at a cost of \$1,500. The Board tabled the matter until next month's meeting for further discussion.

Adjournment:

- Motion by Scott, seconded by Greenleaf, to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No. **Motion passed.**

Next Regular Meeting:

Date: August 10, 2026

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Clinton Township Hall, 172 W. Michigan Ave.

Website: www.twpofclinton.com

Minutes submitted by: Kim Scott, Clerk