



**CLYDE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 17, 2026 7:00 P.M.**

Supervisor Manoleas called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Supervisor Manoleas, Clerk Smith, Treasure Compton, Trustee Dortman, Trustee DeShon, Trustee Voight, Trustee Beiser

Members Absent: None.

**Closed Session:**

To consult with the Township attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with specific pending litigation in the matter of Portside Solar, LLC v Clyde Township, et al, St. Clair County Circuit Court Docket No. 24-002088-AA pursuant to Section 15.268(1)(e) of the Open Meetings Act.

The board did not go into closed session. Attorney, Robert J. Seibert, from Seibert and Dloski, PLLC, could not attend the closed session meeting. There will be a meeting scheduled for a later date.

**Additions to Agenda:**

**Resolution 2026-03 - Scheduling a Public Comments Section**

Motion by Clerk Smith, supported by Trustee Dortman to add under New Business, Resolution 2026-03, approving the scheduling of a Public Comment Section on the regular agenda for March 17, 2026, to receive public comments regarding proposed improvements to the tennis courts at the Township Park and preparation of competitive grant applications to the Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund and Recreation Passport Program. Vote: 7-0.

**Motion Carried.**

**Consent Agenda:**

The Consent Agenda contained the following items for approval:

- January 20, 2026 – Regular Board Meeting
- February 3, 2026 – Special Board Meeting

- Approval of monthly bills and payroll
  - a. General Fund Expenditures – \$53,260.42
  - b. General Fund Payroll – \$38,944.55
  - c. Water Fund Expenditures - \$59,538.12
- Treasurer’s Report – Subject to Audit

Motion by Trustee Dortman, supported by Trustee DeShon to approve the consent agenda as presented. Vote: 7-0. **Motion Carried.**

**Public Comments:**

Started: 7:03 p.m.

How Many Comments: 6

Ended: 7:15 p.m.

**Correspondence:**

2026 Annual Meeting with SCC Road Commission is set for February 19, 2026 from 2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Michigan Township Association (MTA) encouraging the township board to deliberate on and adopt Principles of Governance.

**Department Reports:**

**Building Inspector – Neil Erickson**

- Report on file.

**Ordinance Officer – Joe Marcero**

- Report on file.

**Fire Department – Chief Dortman**

- Report on file.

**Planning Commission – Mike McGriff**

- Had closed session discussion with insurance lawyer regarding Portside Solar litigation. Will be discussing at the next Planning Commission meeting.

**Parks & Recreation – Sherry Beiser**

- Working on easter egg hunt scheduled for March 28<sup>th</sup>. Working on grant for tennis courts.

**Cemetery Advisory Board – Bill Dedoe**

- No Report – No Meeting

**Old Unfinished Business:**

- a. DPW Building/Additional 2 bays for Fire Dept.  
No discussion. A special meeting is scheduled for February 24, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

## **New Business:**

### **a. Wildland Gear Purchase (DNR Grant)**

Chief Dortman presented quotes for 12 sets of wildland fire gear. Reimbursement by the state, for 50% of the purchase price, as part of the state DNR Fire Grant Program.

Motion by Trustee Dortman, supported by Trustee DeShon to approve the quote from Dinges Fire Equipment for 12 sets of wildland fire gear in the amount of \$6, 902.40.

Vote: 7-0. **Motion Carried.**

### **b. Hose Purchase – Fire Dept.**

Chief Dortman is requesting approval to purchase a used 5” large diameter fire hose for \$7,500.00 located in New York State. The fire hose is for working with water hydrants.

Motion by Trustee Deshon, supported by Trustee Beiser to purchase the used fire hose for \$7,500.00. Vote: 7-0. **Motion Carried.**

### **c. Park & Rec DNR Passport Grant**

Discussion on applying for the grant for the tennis courts. This will be on next month’s board agenda.

### **d. Resolution 2026-03 – Requesting Scheduling a Public Comments Section**

Discussion held on the reason for having a resolution for public comments section. It’s just a formality for the grant process.

Motion by Supervisor Manoleas, supported by Treasurer Compton to approve Resolution 2026-03, approving the scheduling of a Public Comment Section on the regular agenda for March 17, 2026, to receive public comments regarding proposed improvements to the tennis courts at the Township Park and preparation of competitive grant applications to the Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund and Recreation Passport Program.

#### **Roll Call Vote:**

Ayes: Dortman, DeShon, Manoleas, Beiser, Smith, Compton, Voight

Nays: None

**Resolution Declared Adopted.**

## **Other Matters and Board Member Comment**

- Reminder that the SCC Chapter of the MTA2026 Annual Dinner is March 26<sup>th</sup>. Need to make reservations by March 12<sup>th</sup>.

- Meeting changes due to BOR
  - March 9<sup>th</sup> Parks & Rec. Mtg. will be at the Fire Hall instead of the Township Hall
  - March 11<sup>th</sup> Cemetery Advisory Mtg. will be on March 10<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 a.m.

**Public Comments (3-minute limit per person)**

Started: 7:29 p.m.

How Many Comments: 0

Ended: 7:29 p.m.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Supervisor Manoleas, supported by Treasurer Compton to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m. Vote: 7-0. **Motion Carried.**



**Ernie Manoleas, Supervisor**



**Stacey Smith, Clerk**