

**May 24, 2006**

The Town Board of the Town of Clayton met in the Opera House with the following present:

Robert W. Cantwell Jr.	George Kittle	Justin Taylor
Donald Turcotte	Bonnie Rose	Bob Boulton
Kathy LaClair		

Nicole Cornaire	Kevin Gillette	Mary Mascott (TIPAF)
Sharie Derrickson (TI Sun)	Phil Randazzo	Jenny Briot
Scott McDonald	Bill Moore	Dan Murdie
Mike Christensen	Chris Onoroto (TV7)	Jude Seymour
Les Drake		

**Minutes:**

**Motion** made by George Kittle, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bonnie Rose, to approve minutes of May 10, 2006 as amended. Motion carried.

**Employee Rate:**

**Motion** made by George Kittle, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Donald Turcotte, to hire Jared Burns as a part-time seasonal labor at Recreation Park at \$8.00 per hour. Motion carried.

**Advertise Fuel Bid:**

**Motion** made by Justin Taylor, 2<sup>nd</sup> by George Kittle, to establish a standard bid form and advertise for Fuel Bids to be returned by 6/14 for the 2006-2007 season starting July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007. Motion carried.

**Resolution #36 of 2006** offered by Bonnie Rose, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Donald Turcotte, authorizing Robert W. Cantwell Jr. as Town Supervisor or Justin Taylor as Deputy Supervisor to sign Town of Clayton checks for Key Bank. Robert W. Cantwell Jr. aye, George Kittle aye, Donald Turcotte aye, Justin Taylor aye, and Bonnie Rose aye. **(See Resolution Book.)**

**Resolution #37 of 2006** offered by Bonnie Rose, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Donald Turcotte, giving MaryAnn Yuhas and Jim Yuhas authorization to take out CD's and transfer money as needed for the Town of Clayton. Robert W. Cantwell Jr. aye, George Kittle aye, Justin Taylor aye, Donald Turcotte aye, and Bonnie Rose aye. **(See Resolution Book.)**

**Resolution #38 of 2006** offered by Donald Turcotte, 2<sup>nd</sup> by George Kittle, to prepare and submit a \$300,000 grant to Department of State Environmental Protection Fund for a physical River Walk on the Frink property. Robert W. Cantwell Jr. aye, George Kittle aye, Justin Taylor aye, Donald Turcotte aye, and Bonnie Rose aye. **(See Resolution Book.)**

### **Short Environmental Assessment Form:**

**Motion** made by Justin Taylor, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bonnie Rose, complete a SEQRA for a draft update of the LWRP prepared by Saratoga Associates with funding from NYS-DOS LWRP grant and declare that this Board has determined, based on the information and analysis of the environmental report, that the proposed action **will not** result in any significant adverse environmental impacts. Motion carried. (**See attached.**)

### **DECALS Training:**

**Motion** made by Bonnie Rose, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Donald Turcotte, to approve re-imbusement for mileage for both Town Clerk & Deputy Clerk to attend a full day and half day respectively training in Watertown. Motion carried.

### **Business with a Twist:**

The Clayton Chamber of Commerce is hosting Business with a Twist, which is this evening at the T.I. Inn.

### **Wind Turbines & Wind Farms:**

Dan Murdie, Bill Moore, Scott McDonald & Jennie Briot of PPM-Atlantic Renewable & Horizon Wind (TX) gave a presentation concerning Wind Turbines & Wind Farms to the Town Board.

Mr. Moore explained they had built Maple Ridge on the Tug Hill and that it was the largest turbine farm on the North American Continent. They have built 44 miles of road and put in 70 miles of underground power lines. They have been collecting data for 28 months on the velocity of wind. He further explained that one in fifty gets their electric power from a wind farm. 2% of residential electricity generated is enough electric power for 300,000 people.

Mr. Moore stated that taxes paid and money to landowners for the lease of land generate approximately \$500,000 to the local economy. There is 300 cubic foot of concrete in the base of a tower, the towers are 80 meters tall and arrive to the location in four (4) sections and then bolted together. The blades alone come in 136 foot lengths.

The lease revenue would be approximately \$1.25 MM, a Pilot of \$1.5 MM with an operating crew of 3-5 employees would be utilized in this area. This size wind farm would supply 40,000 homes with electricity.

Mr. Moore indicated there are several developing issues:

- (1) Indiana Bats
- (2) Interconnection hook-up to National Grid KV line is regulated by NY ISO (130 MW is preliminary indicative capacity.)

- (3) PILOT – Agreement with local, Town, County & School Board Officials
- (4) Road agreement for repair.

Mr. Moore indicated they're looking for 20-25 contiguous farms for placement of 60 towers in the southern portion of the Town of Clayton. Each tower would give the potential farm owner \$6,000-12,000 yearly income per unit. The reason for the wide range per unit is it gives room for increased inflation for the 20 year life expectancy of a tower.

He also indicated that 50% of the project will be located within the Town of Clayton although this is a multi-town project.

Board member Taylor inquired if there was any problem with the town doing a six month moratorium and Mr. Moore explained there was not as this project would be a 2009 project. Mr. Moore indicated that the town needs to look at the land use.

Board member Taylor inquired if Mr. Moore could provide sample Pilot's they have with other areas. Discussion also indicated that performance bonds would be used.

#### **Thousand Islands Performing Arts Fund:**

Mary Mascott of T.I.P.A.F. discussed the proposal of the Town and TIPAF had sign a few years ago. She wanted to remind the Board that there is a condition for our supporting of maintenance and utilities, within that proposal and wondered if it could be removed from the agreement. Discussion followed of the space being utilized and the need for sufficient space to operate. Also TIPAF needs the town as a partner. She stated that public and private donations give stability to the entire project.

Mrs. Mascot indicated that TIPAF has received 22 resumes for the full time manager position and are hoping to have a manager on board by 9/1/06.

**Motion** made by Donald Turcotte, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bonnie Rose, to support Opera House maintenance and utilities for 5 years after renovations have started and to modify the existing agreement. Motion carried.

#### **Frink Development:**

Supervisor Cantwell gave a report from the Frink Remediation Committee. Also the next neighbor letter is in draft form and ready to go. **(See attached Report.)**

Discussion followed that there seems to be a lot of talk of what is going on the Frink Property. Need to make sure that this letter or the Community letter states that no decision has been made as to what is going there for development.

Phil Randazzo stated that the zoning is critical to this area and until that is worked out, zoning has to be #1. Step #2 would be interview developers and possibly another public meeting would be needed.

**Youth Commission:**

Board member Kittle explained that the Town/Village of Clayton Youth Commission is joining forces with the Cape Vincent Youth Commission for the purposes of Pop Warner football. Cape Vincent Youth Commission has the Cape Lion's Club will be paying for their expenses.

The Youth Commission has applied for a Federal ID# for there new Booster Club. The Booster Club will be a separate entity from the Clayton Youth Commission.

Mr. Kittle explained that the dugouts were never completed. They're about 2/3rds complete and it was thought that a raffle would help defray the costs to complete them.

Bob Boulton stated that it is important that in combining the two townships for Pop Warner, that we leave no child left behind for inclusion.

**Joint Town/Village of Clayton Meeting:**

Supervisor Cantwell indicated that he has received a letter from the Village, who are requesting a separate Joint Meeting to discuss the pending permanent relocation of the Justice Court and temporary relocation of the Town Offices. The Supervisor will need to get back to the Village within the next few days, to let them know the dates that are available.

Discussion followed concerning the SMSI grant application and if this board is still interested in consolidation. The concern is with shared services as well as feasibility. The bottom line is the ultimate costs of each and every consolidation, is it going to be to high a cost, then this board would then be very concerned in doing it.

**Paynter Center:**

Board member Rose indicated that the Paynter Senior Center is having a Breakfast this Saturday morning, from 7-11, cost is \$6.00.

**Motion** made by George Kittle, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Donald Turcotte, to adjourn this workshop meeting at 7:07 PM. Motion carried.

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Kathleen E. LaClair, Town Clerk