

August 27, 2008

The Town Board of the Town of Clayton held their regular meeting at the Depauville Community Center, Depauville, NY with the following present:

Justin Taylor
Lance Peterson
Kathy LaClair

George Kittle
Robert W. Cantwell III

Donald Turcotte
Bob Boulton

Alicia Dewey
Betty Tubolino
Cindy Grant
William T. Fearnside
Kathy Tinucci

Ryan Wincott (TI Sun)
Anna Forbes
Marian L. Vaadi
Melody Recor
Elaine Wilkie

Ken Knapp
Connie Haver
Cynthia L. Hazelton
Dominic Tinucci
Patti Booras-Miller

Public:

The following persons had concerns about Wind Turbines: Ken Knapp, Chaumont; Melanie Recor, Lowe Rd.; Cindy Grant, House Rd.; Patti Booras-Miller, LaFargeville; William Fearnside, Depauville; Elaine Wilkie, Depauville, and Cindy Hazelton, House Rd.

Ken Knapp thanked all those involved with the recovery of the Depauville Library and for the House Road improvement.

Elaine Wilkie had concerns about the ATV issue in the Hamlet of Depauville. Residents are looking for police to regulate.

Town Clerk:

Minutes:

Correspondence:

- Yearly letter received from the TI Snowmobile Club communicating with landowners regarding the trails and upcoming season. **(See attachment file.)**
- Quarterly statement ending 6/30/08 from the Office of the State Comptroller providing an explanation of the receipt and distribution of the fines, fees & forfeitures reported by the Town's Justice Court. **(See attachment file.)**
- Letter from Gail & Wes Van Dine concerning sign at the TI Inn. **(See attachment file.)**
- Notice of the 2008 Franchise Fee from Time Warner stating the check should arrive within the next 5-7 business days. **(See attachment file.)**
- Notice of 17th Annual Local Government Conference at SUNY Potsdam will be held Tuesday, October 14, 2008. **(See attachment file.)**
- Letter from Jeff. Co. Board of Elections that there will be a "Registration Day" held on Saturday, October 11th, from 2-9 PM at the Town Offices. **(See attachment file.)**

- Invitation received for a picnic being held on Wednesday, September 10th at the Pavilion at Recreation Park, Graves Street hosted by Clayton American Legion Post 821 & Clayton Chamber of Commerce from 11:30-2, honoring their adopted platoon – A Troop 3-17 CAV.

Resolutions:

Resolution #44 of 2008 was introduced by Lance Peterson, 2nd by Bobby Cantwell III, to extend an amended agreement with the New York Department of Transportation the Fixed Lump Sum Municipal Snow and Ice agreement for 2008-2009. Taylor-aye; Kittle-aye; Turcotte-aye; Peterson-aye; Cantwell III-aye. Motion carried.

Set Budget Workshop Date:

Motion by George Kittle, 2nd by Donald Turcotte, to set a Budget Workshop for Wednesday, September 17th at 3:30 PM. Motion carried.

Library Renovations:

Councilman Turcotte stated he wished to recognize the Northern New York Community Foundation for their aid. Everything seems to be back on track with the Library. He stated that it has been a pleasure to work with the Library Board, Connie Haver Librarian and all those involved that helped restore the building and replace the books that were destroyed. The building is now asbestos free.

Frink Project:

Supervisor Taylor stated that the easement is not the same as the Riverwalk design and the survey needed to be updated. Also Atty. Russell is preparing the deed for the Frink property placing it back into dual ownership with the CLDC.

HR6603 Support:

Consensus of the Town Board for Supervisor Taylor to write a letter of support to our Congressional representatives for them to support HR 6603, the Local Officials Tax Relief Act of 2008.

Planning & Zoning Board Vacancies:

We currently have a vacancy on both Boards for Alternate positions. Alternate positions are Joint Town & Village appointments. An ad has been placed in the TI Sun for those interested to send a letter of intent to the Clerk of either municipality.

Route 12E Trail:

Patricia Taylor is working with the LWRP to secure a bike trail from the Village of Clayton to the High School at Sand Bay. She met with the NYS DOT yesterday and the LWRP is having a public meeting in October concerning the Route 12E trail.

Highway Superintendent Report:

- Commended the Town Board for the work accomplished on the refurbishment on the Depauville Library.
- Also commended the work done by Connie Haver at the Library.
- Frink: Not completely done, still have 10' section waiting for National Grid to schedule. Plans and the cost to remove the pole will be completed by next week. Still have a truck load and a half left to remove. The first section that was seeded is just about ready to mow.
- Loader: **Motion** by Lance Peterson, 2nd by George Kittle, to purchase the 2008 Komatsu, WA320-6 as being the low qualified bid as suggested by the review committee for a total of \$112,509. This included the options. The Town would purchase in 2008 and pay for the machine in 2009. Motion carried.
- ATV: There is definitely a problem for the Citizens of Depauville. The Town might have to consider closing the town roads to ATV traffic. We should give law enforcement a try first, but something needs to be done to eliminate the problem.
- Have received a letter from NYS DEC, Irene Mazzocchi, Region 6 Wildlife Biologist, who is requesting a speed limit sign for the interior roads of French Creek Wildlife Management Area (WMA). She stated that it was her understanding that these are seasonal town roads and NYS DEC has an easement to maintain them. She is requesting that the Town post these roads at 25 mph. Supervisor Taylor stated that he will check on this request and bring back to the Board.
- He has had inquiries as to if the fountain could be tied into the Depauville Lighting District. The lighting district has lights on at the pavilion which is adjacent to the fountain. Consensus of the Board to go ahead and call National Grid.

Committee Reports:

- George Kittle:** Attended a budget negotiations session yesterday with the Teamster Union reps.
- Donald Turcotte:** Heritage Heights Sewer: Still has a grease problem.
Depauville Sewer: DEC did an unannounced inspection per a phone call tip. We report that our system is in good working order and were commended on such a good system.
Landfill: Revenue's are up and scrap metal sale is up.
- Lance Peterson:** Clayton Chamber of Commerce: both Karen & Kristina manned a booth at the NYS Fair. This was great exposure for our area.
Picnic: Sept.10th @ the Pavilion to support our Adopted Platoon (A Troop 3-17 CAV).
Business With A Twist: Will be on 9/17, from 5-7 PM at Coldwell Banker.
Farmer's Market: Has been a great success on Thursdays and will continue thru September.

Bobby Cantwell III: LWRP meeting: September 1, 2008 at 6:30 PM at the Opera House.

Motion was made by George Kittle, 2nd by Lance Peterson, to adjourn this regular workshop meeting at 6:35 PM. Motion carried.

Kathleen E. LaClair, Town Clerk