

March 10, 2010

The Town Board of the Town of Clayton held their regular meeting in the Town board Room of the Town Offices with the following persons present:

Justin Taylor	George Kittle	Donald Turcotte (Absent)
Lance Peterson	Robert W. Cantwell III	Bob Boulton
Kathy LaClair		
Pam Mc Dowell	Ken Knapp	Duane C. Hazelton
Nancy Madsen (WDT)	Cindy Grant	John S. Forkey
Michael J. Docteur	Andrew Wood (TILT)	Les Drake
Jamie Lee	Kevin Forkey	

Supervisor Taylor opened the regular meeting at 5:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests:

Mike Docteur updated the Town Board on the following items: County “efficiency meetings” that have required full day sessions giving dialog between the County Dept. Heads and the Legislators with discussion concerning each department’s budget(s). He is hoping for a June/July report to be completed.

Informed the Town Board of a meeting he had with Senator Aubertine Concerning the closing of State Parks and the impact it will have on local economy. Gave a brief overview of last night’s Jeff. Co. Legislators meeting concerning the “voting down” of Wind Power coming through the Great Lakes. This doesn’t greatly affect the Clayton area, however he wanted the Board to understand his and the other Legislators position on the matter. Responding to a Board question, Mr. Docteur stated that “Oswego will in all likelihood follow through.

Town Clerk:

Correspondence:

- Received the Quarterly Statement from the Office of the State Comptroller with explanation of the receipt & distribution of the fines, fees & forfeitures reported to the Justice Court Fund. **(See attachment file).**
- Notice of Land Use Planning Workshop “Local Governments Role in Strengthening the Future for Agriculture”, Wednesday, March 31st from 6:30 to 8:30 given at Cornell Cooperative Extension Conference Room. **(See attachment file).**
- Grants Action News for March 2010. **(See attachment file.)**
- Justice Clarence Giles monthly report for February 2010. **(See attachment file).**
- Justice Clifford James monthly report for February 2010. **(See attachment file).**
- Acceptance letter for a Preliminary Permit application for the Felts Mills Hydroelectric Project – Notice to Town Clayton. **(See attachment file).**
- Depauville Sewer District Minutes from March 5th. **(See attachment file).**

Minutes:

Motion by George Kittle, seconded by Bob Cantwell III, to approve the minutes of February 24th as written. Turcotte-Absent. Motion carried.

Resolution #28 of 2010:

Resolution #28 of 2010 was offered by Lance Peterson, seconded by Bob Cantwell III, to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign documents relate to the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation grant from the New York State 2008-09 Riverwalk-Frink Segment Grant. Taylor aye; Kittle-aye; Turcotte-Absent; Peterson-aye; Cantwell III-aye.

Resolution #29 of 2010:

Resolution #29 of 2010 was offered by George Kittle, seconded by Bob Cantwell III, to adopt revisions to the Town of Clayton Smoking Policy as updated March 10, 2010. Taylor-aye; Kittle-aye; Turcotte-Absent; Peterson-aye; Cantwell III-aye.

Depauville Sewer:

Motion by Bob Cantwell III, seconded by Lance Peterson, to remove the following two people: Christopher Cervantez (42.14-1-35) and Gary Mellon (42.14-1-37), from the Depauville Sewer billing system until such time that a structure is placed on the property, upon recommendation of the Depauville Sewer Board. Turcotte – Absent. Motion carried.

Motion by George Kittle, seconded by Bob Cantwell III, that when a new structure is placed on the above two parcels, or any structure is built within the Depauville Sewer District, any new hook up go through the Zoning Office for collection of \$1000 at the time of getting a Zoning Permit, as recommended by the Depauville Sewer Board. Turcotte-Absent. Motion carried.

Supervisor:

Supervisor Report:

Motion by Bob Cantwell III, seconded by Lance Peterson, to accept the supervisor's Report for February 2010 as presented. Turcotte – absent. Motion carried.

Bills:

Motion by George Kittle, seconded by Lance Peterson, to pay Abstract #3 in the amount of \$126,921.52 as presented. Turcotte – absent. Motion carried.

Assessor's Assistant Position:

Nicole Cornaire has decided to be a stay-at-home Mom and will not be coming back to work. Therefore, the Assessor would like to advertise for a Clerical part-time position, with the person working Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday. **Motion** by George Kittle, seconded by Bob Cantwell III, to place an advertisement for Clerical part-time position. Turcotte – absent. Motion carried.

Clayton Housing Assessment Settlement:

Motion by George Kittle, seconded by Lance Peterson, approved the Clayton Housing settlement as recommended by Assessor Denise Trudell. Turcotte – absent. Motion carried.

Ad Hoc Comprehensive Plan Review Committee/Structure Endorsement:

Motion by Bob Cantwell III, seconded by George Kittle, to approve the Ad Hoc Comprehensive Plan Review Committee made up of the following persons: Cathy Pisarski (Facilitator), Diane Clark (Secretary), Ken Knapp (At Large Member), Lori Arnot (TIYLO Rep.), Twyla Cushman (Planning Board Rep.), Kim Johnston (Chamber of Commerce Rep), Kristi Dippel (CLDC Rep), Jamie Lee (At large member), Joe Menard (Education). Turcotte – absent. Motion carried.

Annual Financial Report:

Supervisor Taylor stated that the Annual Financial Report has been completed and filed with the Comptroller's Office.

State Park Discussion:

Supervisor Taylor reported he and others met with Kevin Kieff, Regional Director of the NYS Parks to Discuss the status of Canoe/Picnic Point State Park. Mr. Kieff asked for the Boards thoughts on the Town evaluating the possibility of taking over short term operation of the park. All present were supportive. Further evaluation will be needed including possible talks with TILT. Andrew Wood, Executive Director of TILT stated that he had also had preliminary discussion with the TILT Board. A meeting will be held in the next week to discuss.

Set Public Hearing for Big Wind, Small Wind & Zoning Amendments including Grindstone Island:

Motion by Lance Peterson, seconded by Bob Cantwell III, to set the Public Hearing for the third Wednesday, April 21st at 6:00 PM for Zoning Amendments including Grindstone Island, Small Wind Definitions and Findings, Article III, IV & V, and Big Wind – Local Law No. 1 of the year 2010, which amends Local Law No. 1 of the year 2007 (Wind Energy Facilities). Turcotte – absent. Motion carried.

Assessment Management:

Supervisor Taylor looking to upgrade the statement of values and list all structures, including physical evaluation, condition, and numbering all buildings, this year.

Highway Superintendent Report:

- Discussed Albany trip.
- Rob Campany, Fourth Coast, helped submit a grant application for Hazmat Mitigation for a project on Factory Street, Depauville, where water floods the road. Hwy. Supt. Boulton and Mr. Campany will travel to East Syracuse on April 1st to meet with a financial aid group.
- Personnel are working at Recreation Park at the pool helping out with changes.
- Had problems with the Bobcat – working to remedy.
- Cold patching roads at this time.

Committee:**George Kittle:**

Grindstone Island working on scheduling a survey of the Cemetery.
Had questions concerning Small Wind lot size. Need clarification.
Will be out of Town for the April 14th Town Board meeting.

Lance Peterson:

Depauville Gazebo was vandalized with broken spindles. Had a request for a security camera.
March 20th last day for skating ice at Recreation Park.
Town excess equipment should be advertised around the 24th with bids in by April 1.
Swim School registration is going on now.
Hearts for Youth, Alexandria Bay looking to use the pool the first two (2) weeks of August. A fee needs to be established. There will be 100-150 kids.
Pool: Work has not yet begun. The filters and all equipment is there. Looking to start 3/15.

Clayton Chamber of Commerce is working on the Spring Boat Show, 4/9-11. Space in the Arena is almost filled to capacity, although still waiting to hear on the space in the mezzanine. DPW building is full. Chamber membership is coming in at a steady pace. Chamber is working with Clayton Island Tours & TILT on the new River Festival, 6/24-27. They are planning eco-tours on the St. Lawrence, and possibly bands and craft fair at Frink's. Possible for a tour of Grindstone Island also. Today the Chamber staff attended the Border Protection seminar at the Carriage House in Watertown. There is information available at the Chamber that they will host an information seminar in May. Business with a Twist: Coyote Moon, Wednesday, 3/17 from 5-7 PM.

Bob Cantwell III: LWRP- in limbo at this time. Waiting for the latest revision from EDR; this is on schedule, but waiting for legal at this time.

Public: John Forkey – Spoke concerning school taxes and local taxes on the rise to possible double digits. Tonight the Board spoke of \$3.2 million lose in assessment from former 801 Housing. Wind is a possibility just seven (7) miles from downtown Clayton, which could help offset taxes. Town should also check on liability issues if planning to run Canoe-Picnic Point State Park. Need to protect the taxpayers money.

Motion by George Kittle, seconded by Bob Cantwell III, to adjourn this regular meeting at 6:30 PM. Turcotte-absent. Motion carried.

Kathleen E. LaClair, Town Clerk