

June 11, 2008

The Town Board of the Town of Clayton held their regular meeting on the 3rd floor of the Opera House with the following present:

Justin Taylor
Lance Peterson
Kathy LaClair

George Kittle
Robert W. Cantwell III

Donald Turcotte
Bob Boulton

Ken Knapp
Deborah Keck
Joan Baldwin
Rachel Cole
Robert Pinchin
Marcia Wallach
Jim Ludwig
Meredith Gould
David Ristan
Betty Samson
Jim Yuhas

Greg Lago
Peter Hendley
Elizabeth Hahn
Beverly Cole
Judy Pinchin
Jean Kimber
Judy Anderson
Steve Stephens
Cynthia Hazelton
Jennifer Hayes
Alicia Dewey

Warren Bellegarne
Linda Hendley
Dianne Brabant
Linda Brown
Steven Wallach
Mike Kimber
Mark Urquhart
Harrick Stickney
Will Salisbury
Karen Matthews Salisbury

Minutes:

Consensus of the Board to wait until the next meeting to review meeting minutes of 5/28/08.

Correspondence:

- Judge Clarence F. Giles May 2008 report. **(See attachment book.)**
- Judge Clifford James May 2008 report. **(See attachment book.)**
- Received Grants Action News – June 2008 issue. **(See attachment book.)**
- Received NNY Library notice of seminar for “ Planning Projects for Archives Month – A Primer”. **(See attachment book.)**
- Invitation for T.I.L.T. Community Picnic at Zenda Farm, on June 13th, a Friday at 6-8 PM. **(See attachment book.)**

Public :

Co. Leg. Mike Docteur discussed the General Services Committee meeting. Discussion at that meeting concerned escalating fuel prices and town highway contracts. Ending consensus of the General Services meeting is to increase by \$10 per hour the County rate for truck reimbursement. This is a precursor to having an actual contract for the next year. This all needs to go to the full County Board to be passed before implementation. Co. Leg. Docteur also stated he and Jennifer Caddock of Save the River attended the public hearing in Alexandria Bay last week.

Wind Turbines:

Ken Knapp spoke about the article in the Watertown Daily Times concerning the killing of bats in relationship to flying into the turbines.

Re-Valuation Rollback request:

The following people either spoke or read a prepared statement concerning their discontent with the revaluation process that had taken place and are requesting the Town Board roll back assessments to the 2007 figures until proper evaluation can take place:

Ken Knapp	Will Salisbury	Joan Baldwin
Steve Wallach	Steve Stephens	Dave Knapp
Debbie Heck	Betty Sampson	Rachel Cole
Judy Anderson		

(Any prepared letters or statements are attached to the file.)

Opera House Maintenance Contracts:

Supervisor Taylor stated he has a meeting tomorrow morning with Thousand Islands Performing Arts Fund to discuss maintenance contracts.

Preschool Status:

Supervisor Taylor indicated he had received a copy of a letter from the Clayton Improvement Association, Ltd. to the Board of Directors of the Clayton Area Preschool which stated the C.I.A. had granted an extension of the preschool's lease agreement from 6/30/08 to 8/31/08 with the monthly rent forgiven for those two months. The lease at that time will terminate and not be renewed.

Supervisor Taylor stated the preschool will therefore be located at the Guardino School starting in 9/08. (See attachment book.)

Wind Project Status:

Supervisor Taylor indicated that PPM has notified the Town that they will temporarily suspend discussions concerning placement of wind turbines within the township.

Lifeguards/Pool Staff:

Motion by Bobby Cantwell III, 2nd by Lance Peterson, to set the following rates for the Lifeguards/Pool Staff: Megan Nuffer, Director-\$11 per hr; Kelly Meisch, Head Guard-\$10; Kelsey Sherman, Head Guard-\$10; Eric Ingerson (2nd yr with W.S.I.)-\$9; Ashley DeVito(2nd yr with W.S.I.)-\$9; Kaitlyn Youngs(2nd yr no W.S.I.)-\$8.50; Jennifer Rhinebeck(2nd yr no W.S.I.)-\$8.50; Kristi Freitag(1st year no W.S.I.)-\$8; Eric Thomas(1st yr no W.S.I.)-\$8; and all subs will be \$7.50 and will be names when they work. Motion carried.

Resolution #37 of 2008:

Resolution #37 of 2008 was introduced by Donald Turcotte, 2nd by George Kittle, a resolution for the Town of Clayton to approve filing a grant application with the NYS Department of State to assist in shoreline stabilization, overlooks, stairs, handicap access to docks and fencing as Phase II of the Clayton Riverwalk Frink Segment. Taylor-aye; Kittle-aye; Turcotte-aye; Peterson-aye; Cantwell III-aye. Motion carried.

Bills:

Motion by George Kittle, 2nd by Donald Turcotte, to approve paying Abstract #5 in the amount of \$154,880.97. Motion carried.

Supervisor Report:

Motion by Lance Peterson, 2nd by Bobby Cantwell III, to approve the May 2008 Supervisor Report. Motion carried.

Highway Report:

- Discussion of possibly changing contractors for mandatory drug testing. At least ask for quotes.
- This is the third week on Grindstone, just about complete.
- Frink project: making 3 to 4 trips a day to Rodman. Today took over 500 tons.
 - Cost analysis to Rodman is approximately \$1500/1600 per day.
 - We need to be paid by the hour for trips.
 - Our next billing for fuel will be at \$4.
- Highway School: Was very good this year. Always get something new and interesting every time attend. This year we had an interesting legal panel that wasn't suppose to go over three hours and actually went over five hours.
- Loader & possible replacement: We have rented for the Frink project and should analyze for the future as we will be in need of a loader.

Committee Reports:

- George Kittle** Frink: We've had some bad weather lately; Are we always aware ahead of time of weather changes? Mr. Boulton stated the weather is always checked ahead of time with the DTN and doesn't vary a second from the weather scan.
Assessments: Discussed previously this evening.
Cemeteries: There is a group doing acid wash on the headstones at Provens Corners. This is going great.
- Donald Turcotte** Depauville Sewer: Will be having their first meeting in July, since the fire at the library.
Heritage Heights Sewer: Is running great.
- Lance Peterson** No meetings since our last Town Board meeting to report on.
- Bobby Cantwell III** Paynter Senior Center: Sent a letter to the Paynter Board letting them know that since they're a non-profit organization they should apply for a tax relief through exemption filing with the Assessor.
LWRP: Well attended and very good meeting.
Rec. Park: The pool opens this Friday, 6/13/08.

Motion by Bobby Cantwell Jr., 2nd by Donald Turcotte, to adjourn this regular meeting at 6:45 PM.

Kathleen E. LaClair, Town Clerk