

## July 25, 2012

The Town Board of the Town of Clayton held their Annual meeting at Dodge Hall, Grindstone Island, with the following persons present:

Justin Taylor	George Kittle	Lance Peterson (Absent)
Robert W. Cantwell	Christopher Matthews	Robert Boulton (Absent)
Kathy LaClair		
William Sherman (Deputy Hwy. Supt.)		Denise Trudell (Assessor)
Alicia Dewey (Assist. To the Superv.)		Erma Slate
Henry Custis	Sylvia Anderson-Shoultes	Ken Deedy
Brenda Patch	Liz Raisbeck	Art Couch
Jeri Couch	Brenda Slate	Yvonne Marra
Phil Marra	Patsy Parker	Carol Faust
Sue Smith	Dave Smith	Jae Lee (WDT)
Pam McDowell (TI Sun)	Carl Larson	

Meeting opened at 5:05 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance led by the Town Supervisor.

### Town Clerk:

#### Correspondence:

- Grants Action News for July 2012. **(See attachment book.)**
- Citizens Campaign for the Environment notice of annual canvass. They're a not-for-profit organization of private citizens that are concerned with the protection of the region's land and water resources with approximately eighty thousand individuals statewide. **(See attachment book.)**
- Jefferson County Recycling notice of closing their facility scales at noon, Wednesday, July 25, 2012 for maintenance and reopening at 7:30 AM, Thursday, July 26, 2012. **(see attachment book.)**
- Notice of an Open House at the Solid Waste Management 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, from 10 AM- 2 PM. there will also be a free household hazardous waste collection which will be open at all residents of Jefferson, Lewis, & St. Lawrence Counties. **(See attachment book.)**
- Received a Legal Notice of Public Sale for equipment being sold as is at the T. I. Bridge Authority. Sealed bids will be received by them until 10 AM, Wednesday, August 8, at the main offices. **(See attachment book.)**

### Minutes:

**Motion** by George Kittle, seconded by Chris Matthews, to approve the minutes of July 11, 2012 as written. Peterson-absent. Motion carried.

### RESOLUTION #47 of 2012: LWRP

**RESOLUTION #47 of 2012**, was introduced by Bob Cantwell III, seconded by George Kittle, a resolution adopting Local Law #1 of 2012, the Waterfront Revitalization Program. Taylor-aye; Kittle aye; Peterson-absent; Cantwell III-aye; Matthews-aye. **PASSED.**

### RESOLUTION #48 OF 2012: LWRP Zoning Amendment

**RESOLUTION #48 OF 2012** was introduced by Bob Cantwell III, seconded by Chris Matthews, a

Resolution to approve the Amendments to the Town of Clayton Zoning Ordinance (LWRP). Taylor aye; Kittle-aye; Peterson-absent; Cantwell III-aye; Matthews-aye. **PASSED.**

**Zoning Amendment #2: Fee Schedule**

Discussion of three (3) options available: 1) Go back to the wording “shall”; 2) Stick with the wording “may”; or 3) do nothing with the Zoning Ordinance and stick with the fee imposition. Think about the options and we will discuss at the next meeting.

**Workshop Topics:**

**Appoint Lifeguard – Motion** by George Kittle, seconded by Chris Matthews, to hire Mary Ierlin as a Lifeguard sub at \$8.00 per/hr. starting date July 13, 2012. Peterson-absent. Motion carried.

**Hotel Project - Village Lead Agency Approval:**

**Motion** by Bob Cantwell III, seconded by George Kittle, to approve the status of the Village of Clayton as Lead Agency for the purposes of the SEQR Form, Part 1, Full Environmental Assessment Form for the Clayton Harbor Hotel Association, LLC – Proposed Destination Hotel. Peterson – absent. Motion carried.

[The Village of Clayton had at their meeting on June 25, 2012 adopted a resolution declaring lead agency status for the purposes of the SEQRA review.]

**Grindstone Upper Schoolhouse Historic Status:**

A letter has been received from NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, that the Grindstone Island Upper Schoolhouse has been listed on the NYS Register of Historic Places and nominated to the National Register of Historic Places. The NYS Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) has in turn forwarded the nomination to the Keeper of the National Register in Washington, DC. If Washington, DC approves the nomination the property will be listed on the National Register.

**Grindstone Island Schoolhouse: GIRHC Letter:**

Inquiry from Grindstone Island Research and History Center concerning restoration(s) to the schoolhouse and a possible grant application for funding to aid in the restoration(s). Foundation work is in need of repair and a change of one of the bathrooms into a research center room where artifacts, oral histories and photos can be viewed.

**Port Security Grant - Regional Helipad:**

Three or four years ago a grant was completed and submitted for a feasibility study for a helicopter landing pad. This was resubmitted several times and has been rejected repeatedly as no funding has been available. The Town has just received a notice that “partial” funding is forthcoming.

**Highway Superintendent Report:**

Bill Sherman, Deputy Highway Supt. discussed that work for the most part has been completed on the Island with the exception that very soon the “mower” will be here to trim the sides on the roads.

**Committee Reports:**

**George Kittle:** Good job with the Cemeteries. Have received many compliments on how the cemeteries have been kept up. Thank you to all that have attended and thank you for the feast that awaits and those that prepared the food.

**Bob Cantwell III:** Paynter Senior Center meeting is tomorrow, that report will be at the September meeting.  
Thank you to all that have prepared the food and for all that that have attended.

**Chris Matthews:** No committee meetings due to summer vacations and thank you to all that prepared the food for this evening.

**Assessment Presentation:**

Denise Trudell, Assessor discussed that in 2008, she had done a revaluation of the waterfront and island parcels. This year she will be doing another onsite inspection and taking photos. By May 1<sup>st</sup> of next year she will mail change of assessments to the owners. She brought assessment pamphlets with her and everyone is welcome to take them. There is data on the Town or County websites or please call the office if you have questions.

Mrs. Trudell discussed the “Uniform Assessment Standards”, copies distributed to the Town Board and available to the public. In 2012 they have been adopted by the NYS Assessors Association, and she has asked the Board to review and pass at the August meeting.

**Public Comments:**

Liz Raisbeck, Chair of the Grindstone Island Research & Heritage Center, extended a public “thank you” for the support for the school house, fixing the foundation wall and “thank you” for allowing Alicia Dewey to assist with the Historic Register nomination. Mrs. Raisbeck explained turning the back room into a Research Center and some shelving and painting that they are hoping to have completed. Mrs. Raisbeck also reminded everyone that the “Picnic” will be on 8/12 as well as an “auction”.

Ken Deedy, Grindstone Island resident explained that in 2012 he will have been a Clayton resident taxpayer for 50 years. He is proud to be a resident of the Town of Clayton and live in an astonishing township. The Towns Zoning Law is good and the Towns relationships with all the organizations is wonderful. The Town Highway Dept. is just fantastic. This community is a wonderful place to live and/or visit and it is a great tribute to all the town officials that they have helped to make it so.

**Motion** BY George Kittle, seconded by Bob Cantwell III, to adjourn this Annual Grindstone Island meeting at 5:46 PM. Peterson – absent. Motion carried.

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Kathleen E. LaClair, Town Clerk