

September 11, 2013

The Town Board of the Town of Clayton held their workshop meeting in Town Board Room, 405 Riverside Drive, Clayton, NY with the following persons present:

Justin A. Taylor	George Kittle	Lance Peterson (Absent)
Robert W. Cantwell III	Christopher D. Matthews	Bob Boulton
Kathy LaClair		
Terra Thomas	Legislator Michael Docteur	Pam McDowell, TI Sun
Steve Weed	Cindy Grant	

Supervisor Taylor opened the meeting at 5:00 PM and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and afterwards a moment of silence for the 12th anniversary of 9/11.

Guest:

Legislator Mike Docteur discussed that the County Committee has interviewed and hired an Airport Manager. The identity will be made known at the last Tuesdays Finance & Rules meeting of this month. This also gives the person hired, time to inform their present employer and let them start the process for replacement. First day on the job for the new Airport Manager will be November 11th.

Legislator Docteur advised this Board that the County will have a Budget meeting Tomorrow to look at the bigger issues in the proposed budget. Discussion of Sales Tax, which is pretty static and that the County had over predicted the sales tax for this current year.

Town Clerk:

Correspondence:

- ✓ Bowers & Co. CPA will hold a conference on Thursday, 9/26 at the Ramada Inn, Watertown from 2-4:30 to update important changes to the Rural Development Grant Program. **(See attachment book.)**
- ✓ ACEC NY in conjunction with Assoc. of Towns & NY Conference of Mayors are presenting a full day program on Thursday, Oct. 3, 2013 on the best practices when doing business with the NYS Environmental Facilities Corp. at the Hilton Double Tree, East Syracuse. Registration is \$125 for the 1st person attending and any additional would be \$99 p/p. **(See attachment book.)**
- ✓ Save the River has sent a letter that they have completed the water quality testing for 2013 Beach Watch Program. They report that the swimming water tested remains safe for the season. **(See attachment book.)**
- ✓ Justice(s) Clarence F. Giles Jr. and Clifford James have submitted the August 2013 Comptroller's Report(s). **(See attachment book.)**
- ✓ Grants Action News for September 2013 received. **(See attachment book.)**
- ✓ Northern NY Library Network notice of presentations: (1) Determining Historical Value, Thurs., Oct. 24 @ Saranac Lake Free Library and Fri., Oct. 25 @ the Quality Inn, Oswego; (2) Basics of Archives, Thurs., Nov. 7th @ North Country Library System Watertown, & Fri., Nov. 8th at Holiday Inn, Plattsburg. **(See attachment book.)**
- ✓ Time Warner Cable notice of agreements about to expire. **(See attachment book.)**

Minutes:

Motion by George Kittle, seconded by Chris Matthews, to accept the minutes of 8/28/13 with one minor change. (Peterson – absent.) **Motion carried.**

Public Comment on Agenda Items: No comments.

Supervisor's Report/Bank Reconciliations:

Motion by Bob Cantwell III, seconded by Chris Matthews, to approve the Supervisor's Report for August 2013. (Peterson – absent.) **Motion carried.**

Bills & Transfers:

Motion by Chris Matthews, seconded by Bob Cantwell III, to pay Abstract #9 in the amount of \$83,583.37. (Peterson – absent.) **Motion carried.**

Budget Workshop:

Reminder that the budget workshop will be next Wednesday, (9/18) at 7:00 AM here in the Board Room.

Internal Audits:

Mostly completed, still have the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's to do. We will wait to approve all at the same time and the Justices will require a separate resolution.

Route 12 Sewer Update:

Easement process is going well. One parcel belongs to the County at Hilltop Lane. The County would like to deed over to the Town. Discussion of having the County deed over directly to the homeowners to which it is adjacent. Supervisor Taylor will get back to the County Attorney.

Joint Meeting Agenda:

At the Village Municipal Offices, Monday, September 23rd @ 5:30 PM.

Frink Update:

The Hotel is coming along great; now working on the sewer & water lines.

Transient Dock Update:

Committee sat in on a conference call yesterday; the Committee is hoping to have a meeting sometime the last week of September with the funding agencies.

Bartlett Point Water/Sewer Update:

We had two (2) parties that were interested in being attached to the Village Water/Sewer lines, which would necessitate forming a district. One of the parties has now backed out, leaving just the one party. Consensus to abandon the idea of creating a water/sewer district in the Bartlett Point area until such time that there is more interest.

Generator Grant:

The Town has received an invitation from FEMA to apply for generator grants.

Cape Vincent Wind:

The Board received a copy of the letter from Supervisor Hirschey from Cape Vincent. He has

reviewed his copy of the letter that the Town of Clayton has sent to the PSC and had some modifications to offer. Discussion by the Board, with no further action taken.

Next Workshop Meeting Discussion:

The next workshop meeting is scheduled for September 25th. We could meet that evening or cancel the meeting as we will have met on Monday evening the 9/23rd with the Village Board. **Motion** by Bob Cantwell III, seconded by George Kittle, to cancel the 9/25th meeting. (Peterson – absent.) Motion carried.

Budget Workshop Meeting:

Motion by Bob Cantwell III, seconded by Chris Matthews, to have a second Budget Workshop meeting on Wednesday morning, September 25th at 7 AM. (Peterson – absent.) Motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Report:

- 🚧 County Route 3 (East Line Road): County & Town Crews have the binder down, this will sit one or two years, then the County will pave after that.
- 🚧 The Town should consider looking at additional parking along side of the road on Co. Rte. 3 at Recreation Park. There are potentially another 75 parking spaces that could be available.
- 🚧 Looking to do the parking lot at Recreation Park on Graves Street this fall. Waiting on National Grid to move a couple of poles.
- 🚧 Town Crew went to help haul and pave County Route 7. Working with the County through Shared Services.
- 🚧 County Route 3 – East Line Road, should have the County look at having that going from 55 down to 45, then down to 30 as coming into the Village of Clayton. This area is growing in the number of homes in that area.
- 🚧 County Route 3 – East Line Rd.: Should also consider looking into water/sewer in this area.
- 🚧 Looking to replace Highway Superintendent pickup truck. Reviewing the State Contract listing.

Council Reports:

George Kittle: **T.I.E.R.S.:** Blue Ribbon Committee met last week and also attended the Monday night T.I.E.R.S. meeting. These committee people have a lot of experience that will be very helpful to draw from. T.I.E.R.S. was very respectful and positive. One suggestion is to expand the T.I.E.R.S. Board. Another is to bring the collectibles/receivables procedure in house; possibly hire an hourly employee to do this. Discussion of Grindstone Island accident tragedy this past weekend.

Bob Cantwell III: T.I.E.R.S. had inquired if it was possible to expand the Paynter Center and share that building. Strawberry Lane LLC doesn't want to expand.

Chris Matthews: Discussion with the Youth Commission concerning update on Recreation Park upgrades. Parking Lot on Graves Street will be started this fall. Pesticide treatment will be needed on the track.

Reed Point Sewer District: Notice has been received that there will be an increase of \$10 per EDU for the 2014 tax year.

Public – Request to Address the Board:

Cindy Grant read a prepared statement and distributed same to the Town Board. She also asked if the existing Wind Law could be put on the Web Site.

Adjourn:

Motion by Bob Cantwell III, seconded by Chris Matthews, to adjourn this regular meeting at 6:10 PM. (Peterson – absent.) Motion carried.

Kathleen E. LaClair, Town Clerk