

**August 9, 2017**

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

David M. Storandt, Jr.	Robert W. Cantwell III	Mary Zovistoski
Donna Patchen	Lance Peterson	William Sherman
Kathleen E. LaClair		

Alicia Dewey	Rob Campany	Gunther Schaller
Ann Cheney	Helen Cheney Klein	Pam McDowell
Dennis Weller	Pete Wilson	Art Alton
Ula Alton	David Parker	Bruce Parker
Marie White Ebbing	Marcus Wolf	

**Opening and Pledge of Allegiance:** Supervisor Storandt opened the meeting at 5:03 PM and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Town Clerk:**

**Correspondence:**

- NYS Liquor Authority application and 30-notice for the C-Way Tour Inn.
- Notice of Public Hearing - Site Plan Review/Special Use Permit applications for Clayton Improvement Association to erect a 32 sq. ft. storage addition to Samaritan Medical Building at 909 Strawberry Lane, in the Neighborhood Residential-Special Use district, Tax Map #20.55-1-54.7.
- Charter Communications notice of changes starting August 14, 2017.
- Dog Control Officer report for 7/1-7/31/2017.
- Depauville Library Minutes for July, 2017 and Agenda for August, 2017.
- Grants Action News for August, 2017.
- Assessment Small Claims – Thomas F. Perryman/Thomas Murphy – no date has been set as yet.
- Notice of the 2017 Local Government Conference at SUNY Potsdam, October 10, 2017.

**Minutes:** Motion made by Lance Peterson, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to approve the minutes of 7/26/17 Special meeting. Motion carried.

**Minutes:** Motion made by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Donna Patchen, to approve the Workshop minutes of 7/26/17 as amended. Motion carried.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items:** None

**General Discussion Items:**

**Bills & Transfers- Motion** was made by Lance Peterson, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to approve payment of Abstract #8 of 2017 as presented in the amount of \$169,756.73. Motion carried.

**Supervisor’s Report & Bank Reconciliations & Balance Sheets: Motion** was made by Donna Patchen, seconded by Lance Peterson, to approve these reports as presented. Motion carried.

**Appointments:**

**Motion** made by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Lance Peterson, to appoint Nicole Gokey as Part-time Clerk for the Finance Office, @ \$14/hour and start date of 8/28/2017. Motion carried.

**Motion** was made by Donna Patchen, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to re-appoint Preston Lowe to the Joint Planning Board for a seven year term which will expire on 12/31/2023. Motion carried.

**Motion** was made by Lance Peterson, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to re-appoint Lori Arnot to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a five year term ending 12/31/2021. Motion carried.

**Route 12 Sewer SEQRA:**

**RESOLUTION #62 OF 2017** was introduced by Lance Peterson, seconded by Donna Patchen, a resolution for the Town of Clayton Route 12 Sewer District – SEQRA – Negative Declaration. Storandt – aye; Cantwell III – absent; Zovistoski – aye; Patchen – aye; Peterson – aye. **PASSED.**

**Motion** was made by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Lance Peterson, authorizing the Town Supervisor to sign the EAF. Motion carried.

**Route 12 Sewer Budget Amendment:**

**RESOLUTION #63 OF 2017** was introduced by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Donna Patchen, a resolution for an Order of the Town Board of the Town of Clayton regarding the increase in the maximum amount proposed to be expended for the Town of Clayton Route 12 Sewer District and setting a public hearing for September 13, 2017 at 6pm. Storandt – aye; Cantwell III – absent; Zovistoski – aye; Patchen – aye; Peterson – aye. **PASSED.**

**WSB Cash Management Users:**

**RESOLUTION #64 OF 2017** was introduced by Lance Peterson, seconded by Donna Patchen, a resolution authorizing the Town Supervisor to sign the Watertown Savings Bank Municipal Bank ACH Origination Agreement and Disclosure giving Alicia Dewey full access with ACH as the Online Banking Administrator and David M. Storandt, Jr. full access with ACH. Storandt – aye; Cantwell III – absent; Zovistoski – aye; Patchen – aye; Peterson – aye. **PASSED.**

**AUP Approval:** A few new regulatory requirements were noted and Bowers & Company recommended that the Town continue to make the procedural changes necessary in order to fully adopt the applicable provisions under the Uniform Guidance, but nothing exceptional was noted. The Agreed Upon Procedures (AUP) was for the two month period ending November 1 - December 31, 2015 & calendar year ended December 31, 2016.

**Asset Auction: Motion** was made by Lance Peterson, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, authorizing the 20 plus items to be advertised for sealed bids. The sealed bids will be accepted until September 11<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM and will be opened at that time and will be awarded at the September 13<sup>th</sup> Town Board meeting. Motion carried.

**Set Budget Workshop Meetings:** Discussion by the Town Board to have a line item of Budget Workshop, on the agenda for the next three Town Board meetings (8/23; 9/13; & 9/27).

**Discussion on Personnel Appointments:** The Town Board will go into Executive Session to discuss a Personnel issue at the end of this evening's meeting.

**Supervisor's Report:**

**TIERS:** TIERS is working on agreements with the Town of Alexandria Bay.

**ABM:** Nothing at this time.

**CLDC:** There will be no meeting held in August. The next meeting will be held on September 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Consolidated Health District:** There has been some discussion of a few properties in the Depauville area. The next meeting will be held October 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Highway Superintendent Report:**

-  Rabies Clinic will be held at the Town Barn tomorrow night, August 10<sup>th</sup>.
-  Doing well on County 5 and Ellis Road; have about a week to ten days left to do.
-  Delaney Bridge on Grindstone Island does belong to the Town. Jefferson County will help if needed. We will put down some crushed material at that location as well.
-  Some activity last week at the French Creek Bridge.

**Assessor:** Submitted a Monthly Report to Board Members.

**Council Reports:****Councilwoman Zovistoski:**

- ✓ Depauville Library: Our meeting will be held at the Depauville on August 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- ✓ There will be an educational program on Alzheimer's on August 9<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 6 PM.
- ✓ Planning Board has two major projects in front of them: 1) The Cooper Development next to the homes of Heyman, Reinman and directly in back of where Matt Turcotte just bought. 2) Bruce Shaw has a potential solar array in the works that is in the pre-application process.
- ✓ Transient Docks: FLW fishing tournament weekend (170 boats): We had some issues on Thursday that were addressed by Justin Taylor. Friday went much smoother.

**Councilman Peterson:**

- ✓ Clayton Chamber of Commerce will meet in September.
- ✓ Gazebo at Recreation Park looks nice with the lights and a light also on the Flag.
- ✓ Jimmy Jones, Recreation Supervisor is looking at how to update lighting of the Pavilion area.

**Public Submitted requests to address the Board:** None.

**Supervisor Storandt Dates Noted:**

- 1) County Shared Services Meeting, Clayton Public Hearing: Geneva was the only public to show up for the meeting.
- 2) Watertown Chamber of Commerce Business with a Twist is August 16<sup>th</sup> at Watertown International Airport.
- 3) Coast Guard exercises will be held on August 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> at RJ Marine.
- 4) Alexandria Bay ground breaking ceremony at noon on August 30<sup>th</sup>.

- 5) The 2017 Local Government Conference will be held at SUNY Potsdam on October 10, 2017.
- 6) Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> at Depauville Community Center.
- 7) Proposals were sent to the Town Board on the National Grid Lighting Program for Recreation Park and the Town Hall. Please review and let the Town Supervisor your opinion on whether or not to apply for this program. We have done previous programs with them.

**Adjournment: Motion** made by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Lance Peterson, to adjourn this regular meeting at 5:55 PM. Motion carried.

**6:00 PM Public Hearing: REED POINT WATER DISTRICT FORMATION**

**Motion** was made by Donna Patchen, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to open the Public Hearing at 6 PM. Motion carried.

David Parker, Reed Point – OPPOSED due to the dynamic cost & lack of necessity.

Ann Cheney introduced her sister-in-law Helen Cheney Klein, both at the end of Reed Point – OPPOSED - same as David Parker. They have always used river water and sees no reason to change. The cost would be a burden.

Dennis Weller –FOR - Minor Sub-division with 6 parcels. In selling developments, the most frequent question from people looking to purchase is there municipal water, sewer, electric, etc. This is a critical demand.

Art Alton, Summer Resident, Reed Point – FOR – Supports putting in a water district. He asked the question of whether it was “necessary” or “convenient”. It’s hard to put a “value” on. Necessary because water is needed for life, but convenient and should have come first years ago. A water district will put a fire hydrant on Fishers Landing. If a fire happens, he’s a former fireman, and it is winter, there is no water available as the river is frozen over. A fire hydrant gives a “reduction” on your Homeowners Insurance. 93% contaminants are found in well water that causes cancer. There is a cost factor anyway you look at it, if you drill, truck in, purchase water versus municipal. There is a lot of value in having water.

Forrest Alton couldn’t be here tonight, but did send an e-mail to add to the Public Hearing, in favor of the Water District Formation -FOR.

Bruce Parker – Reed Point – OPPOSED. Mr. Parker stated that Reed Point doesn’t need water and is less than 1 mile away from a Fire Hydrant and it also isn’t necessary for everything to be built into a project.

No further comments.

**Motion** was made by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Donna Patchen, to close this Public Hearing at 6:24 PM. Motion carried.

Supervisor Storandt stated that he wasn’t yet prepared to vote on the SEQRA and would like to wait until the next meeting of August 23<sup>rd</sup> at Depauville, so that the Town Board members have time to review information that was presented.

**Motion** was made by Lance Peterson, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to go into Executive Session at 6:26 PM, for the purpose of discussing a Personnel issue. Ms. Dewey was asked to stay in this session. Motion carried.

The Town Board came out of Executive Session at 7:15 PM. No action(s) taken.

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**Kathleen E. LaClair, Town Clerk**