

September 27, 2017

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

David M. Storandt Jr.
Donna Patchen
Kathleen E. LaClair

Robert W. Cantwell III
Lance Peterson (Absent)

Mary Zovistoski
William Sherman (Absent)

Alicia Dewey
Ken Knapp
Kevin Patchen

Robert Company
Luke W. Taylor

Nolan Knapp
Pam McDowell

Pledge of Allegiance: Supervisor Storandt opened the meeting at 5:00 PM and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Town Clerk:

Correspondence:

- Card of Thank You from Teresa A. Smith concerning the Recreation Park Pool.
- Received the Town of Clayton Fire District 2018 Proposed Budget that was approved on September 13, 2017.
- Letter from Save the River, who notes they have completed their water quality testing for the 2017 Beach Water Program, which ran from July 3rd through August 29th. Each beach was tested and all passed.
- Lake Ontario & St. Lawrence River Program Deadline is this Friday, September 29th at 5pm.
- Tax Relevies & District Changes are due to the Jefferson County Auditor no later than October 31st. The County Auditor has also sent along the 2018 Tax Apportionments. She is also requesting a “certified” copy of the adopted 2018 Town Budget and all Fire district budgets by November 10th.

Minutes: Motion was made by Donna Patchen, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to approve the minutes of September 13, 2017 as written. Motion carried.

Public Comment on Agenda Items: None

Workshop Items:

Reed Point District:

RESOLUTION #73 of 2017 was introduced by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Robert W. Cantwell III, a resolution regarding the Formation of the Reed Point Water District and to set a Public Hearing date for October 18th at 5 pm regarding the Formation of the Reed Point Water District as revised. Storandt – aye; Cantwell III-aye; Zovistoski-aye; Patchen-aye; Peterson-absent. **PASSED.**

Schedule October Special Meeting(s): Motion was made by Donna Patchen, seconded by Robert W. Cantwell III, to set the following Special Meetings date and times:

Thursday, October 5th @ 7:30 a.m. – 2018 Tentative Budget Distribution

Monday, October 16th @ 5-8 p.m.; Thursday, October 19th @ 8-11 a.m. & Friday, October 20th @8-11 a.m. (if needed) – Budget Workshops

Wednesday, October 18th @ 5 p.m. – Special Town Board meeting for Public Hearing on Reed Point Water District and discussion of NYS Route 12 Sewer District.

Peterson – Absent. Motion carried.

Route 12 Sewer Bond Amendment:

RESOLUTION #74 OF 2017 was introduced by Donna Patchen, seconded by Robert W. Cantwell III, a resolution to approve and Re-state Bond Resolution authorizing an increase in the issuance of Serial Bonds to be expended from \$5,350,000 to \$5,746,500 for the Town of Clayton the proceeds of which are to be used for the construction of a new wastewater collection system to serve residences and businesses along NYS Route 12 from the Village of Clayton to Fishers Landing. Storandt-aye; Cantwell III-aye; Zovistoski-aye, Patchen-aye; Peterson-absent. **PASSED.**

New Budget Account:

DA5148.14 Fire District Paving & A1648.11 LED Light Replacement: Motion was made by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Robert W. Cantwell III, to approve making the new budget lines for the Fire District Paving and LED Light Replacement. Peterson – absent. Motion carried.

Training:

Potsdam Local Government Conference – October 10th: All those attending need to have their registration forms to Alicia by tomorrow as payment is due by this Friday. So far: Janet Sullins, Kimberli Johnston and Alicia have indicated they will be going. Mary Zovistoski and Donna Patchen will let Alicia know tomorrow.

HR Training: Alicia Dewey has signed up for HR Training to be held at St. Lawrence University, on October 12th. Motion was made by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Donna Patchen, for Alicia Dewey to attend the HR Course at \$70 plus mileage. Peterson – absent. Motion carried.

SALT: Discussion concerning “salt” issues, Joe Russell our Lawyer has indicated that the Town should not take action to remediate something that we cannot prove is actually the fault of the Town, and not local geographical factors. Atty. Russell cites that not only could this violate the rule against gifting, but also could be seen as evidence of admittance of guilt.

If it can indeed be proven (beyond a preponderance of evidence) that the Town is at fault, then it would make sense to remediate. If that were the case, then he suggests that a long-term (water district) versus a one-time solution is the best advice.

Further discussion, indicated that the town could send out another survey which would include the Comptroller's limit for running a water district line from the Village of Clayton to Depauville, to determine if that was an option.

Public submitted requests to address the Board: None.

Adjournment: Motion was made by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Donna Patchen, to adjourn this regular workshop meeting at 5:34 pm. Motion carried.

Kathleen E. LaClair, Town Clerk