

**October 11, 2017**

The Town Board of the Town of Clayton held their regular meeting in the Town Board Room with the following persons present:

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

Robert W. Cantwell III  
Lance Peterson

Mary Zovistoski  
William Sherman

Alicia Dewey  
Bill Heyman

Ken Knapp  
Pam McDowell

Carl Reinman

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

**Town Clerk:**

**Correspondence:**

- ✓ Charter Communications – Upcoming Changes.
- ✓ Amy Funk, Dog Control Officer – Activity Report 9/1/17-9/31/17.
- ✓ Ron Cooper requesting a sewer connection.
- ✓ Ron Cooper requesting an entry road by name of Fairview Place.
- ✓ NYS Dept. of Financial Services – letter concerning vacant/abandoned properties.
- ✓ ACR Health News – September 2017.
- ✓ Richard Ingerson, Zoning Officer – list of other fees collected by his office.
- ✓ Thank you card from Joyce McKean with appreciation of the extended pool hours into September this past summer.
- ✓ Justice Ramseier & Jeram Report Certification of submittal to the NYS Comptroller for monies received for the month of September, 2017.

**Minutes: Motion** made by Bob Cantwell III, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to approve the minutes of September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 as presented. Motion carried.

**Public comment on agenda items:** None

**General Discussions:**

**Bills & Transfers – Abstract #10 of 2017: Motion** was made by Lance Peterson, seconded by Donna Patchen, to approve payment of Abstract #10 in the amount of \$426,198.81. Motion carried.

**Supervisor’s Report & Bank Reconciliations for September: Motion** made by Donna Patchen, seconded by Lance Peterson, to approve the Supervisor’s Report & Bank Reconciliations for September 2017. Motion carried.

**Balance Sheets: Motion** made Lance Peterson, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to approve the Balance Sheets. Motion carried.

**Miscellaneous Contractor’s Bid: Motion** was made by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Bob Cantwell III, to extend our present Miscellaneous Contractor’s Bids from 2017 thru 2018. Motion carried.

We will inquire from the contractors if they have any problem with that. If there is a problem and they don't want to extend, we will re-bid that particular contract.

**Rec. Park Project:** The Board reviewed a couple of depictions of the Rec. Park Project to get a scope on the project. Discussion of needing a budget worked up and possibly a project manager in place.

**Planning/Zoning:** Supervisor Storandt has asked for any new changes from these Boards that they might have for the Zoning Ordinance.

**Joint Town/Village Meeting:** The meeting has been scheduled for Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Village Municipal Building at 5:00 PM. Supervisor Storandt discussed the Town Hall needing a backflow preventer for our building and that we should address this at the joint meeting.

#### **Supervisor Committee Reports:**

**TIERS Budget & Finance-** Letter received from Michael Bennett, AEMT-P EMS Chief of Thousand Islands Emergency Rescue Service. They are re-focusing their efforts on streamlining their operations and developing a long-term financial plan to address lifecycle management of equipment and apparatus. The first step will be to establish a capital reserve fund to alleviate the debt cycle that previous purchases had produced. They're requesting that the Town consider a two cent (\$.02) increase to the tax levy beginning in 2018 with the additional revenue directed towards the capital reserve fund. They're also requesting a marginal increase to their contractual stipend to assist them in providing additional crews during the summer months. Mr. Bennett cited the increase in tourism and events in the region have an increasing strain on their system which needs to be supplemented to account for the additional population and the increased service demand.

**CLDC-** The CLDC will be presenting a request at the Joint T/V Meeting for an increase of funds from the Town & Village budgets.

**Consolidated Health District-** The next meeting will be held October 18<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Highway Superintendent:**

-  Finishing and paving Co. Rt. 5, this Friday and the 1<sup>st</sup> of next week.
-  Also finishing and paving the Ellis Road at the same time.

**Assessor Report-** Received a monthly report from Kimberli Johnston, Interim Assessor on activities of attendance to training and her office activity.

**Codes/Zoning-** Richard Ingerson, Zoning Officer/Codes Officer, has submitted some upgrades for the Planning & Zoning Fee Schedule and Code Fee Schedule. The Town Board will review this and discuss at the Workshop Meeting on Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM.

#### **Council Reports:**

**Councilwoman Zovistoski:** Upcoming events at the Depauville Library: Saturday, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> Psychic Wilson Stevenson (1-3 pm) – cost \$15.00; Saturday, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> – speaker Ken Knapp on Archeology; Planning Board – the Cooper Development has caused a conflict with the neighbors; the Interact Club is having a cutest pet costume contest, the deadline is Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Public submitted requests to address the Board:** Ken Knapp suggested that a Letter of Support for Fort Drum in their efforts of not having any placement of Wind Turbines around the Fort Drum area might be helpful to the Fort Drum Regional Liaison. The Town shouldn't lay low; we should be presenting a united front.

**Adjournment: Motion** was made by Lance Peterson, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to go into Executive Session to discuss Labor negotiations at 6:45 PM. Motion carried.

**Motion** was made by Donna Patchen, and seconded by Bob Cantwell III, to come out of Executive Session and adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM. Motion carried.

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**Kathleen E. LaClair, Town Clerk**