

December 13, 2017

The Town Board of the Town of Clayton held their regular 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

Mary Zovistoski
Wm. Sherman

Alicia Dewey
Rob Company
Nolan Knapp

James Jones
Kenneth Knapp

Pam McDowell
Henry LaClair

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

Town Clerk:

Correspondence:

- Legal Notice: Annual Election of the Town of Clayton Fire District
- Jefferson County Real Property Values/Tax Apportionment
- KIMCO Steel Sales Ltd. pricing for Shreddable Picked Up at :GT \$50.00
- Notice of the 29th Annual Winter Environmental Conference – will be held Saturday, February 3rd, 2018
- Received “Public Assistance Program (Infrastructure Support Program) Handbook of Policies and Guidelines for Applicants (FEMA), Lake Ontario Flooding, Incident Period: May 2, 2017 to August 6, 2017; Declaration Date: November 14, 2017” packet.
- Received Justice Walter Jeram Jr. submission log for Fines, etc. for the month of November 2017.
- Notice from Jefferson County Dept. of Planning for reminder of change of date for their December 2017 Planning Board meeting. This will be held on Tuesday, December 19th and deadline for submissions to the December meeting is Monday, December 11th.
- Notice from Village Clerk/Treasurer Geneva Phelps Miller that Jack Stopper was appointed by the Village Board, as a member of the Clayton Local Development Corporation Board for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2020, to replace Rebecca Hopfinger, whose term has expired.

Minutes: Motion was made by Councilman Bob Cantwell III, seconded by Councilwoman Mary Zovistoski, to approve the minutes of November 20, 2017. Motion Carried.

General Discussion Items:

Bills & Transfers – Abstract #12 of 2017: Motion was made by Councilwoman Donna Patchen, seconded by Councilwoman Mary Zovistoski, to pay Abstract #12 in the amount of \$198,940.97. Motion carried.

Supervisor’s Report & Bank Reconciliations – November 2017: Motion was made by Councilman Bob Cantwell III, seconded by Councilwoman Mary Zovistoski, to approve the Supervisor’s Report & Bank Reconciliations for November 2017. Motion carried.

Balance Sheets: Motion was made by Councilwoman Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Councilman Bob Cantwell III, to approve the Balance Sheets for November 2017. Motion carried.

Rate Changes: Motion was made by Councilman Lance Peterson, seconded by Councilwoman Donna Patchen, to authorize a step increase of \$.50 for Pat McCarron, to \$18.42 per hour starting on 12/7/2017. Motion carried.

NYS AOT NYC Training: The 2018 Annual Meeting & Training School will be held February 18th-21st, 2018. Meeting registration deadline is due before January 26th; Booking your room is also due by January 26th.

Miscellaneous Contractors Awards:

At time of Bid Opening – There was no **Welding Work at Service Provider’s Shop** bid received. The next day in the mail a proposal came. The Bid was mailed before deadline, however not received on time for the opening.

Motion by Councilman Lance Peterson, seconded by Councilwoman Mary Zovistoski, to put this back out to bid. Motion carried,

The following Bids were received and awarded:

Material Supplying: Road Traction Material:

Bach and Co.: 3,000 ton @ \$3.50/ton \$10,500.00

Marine Transportation To & From Grindstone Island:

| | <u>RJ Marine Associates LTD</u> | <u>Seaway Marine Group, LLC</u> |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Cost per One-Way Loaded Trip: | \$154.00 | \$450.00 |
| Cost per Two-Way Loaded Trip: | \$207.00 | \$500.00 |
| Cost per Wait Time after 30 Minutes: | \$106.00 | \$450.00 |

Motion by Councilman Lance Peterson, seconded by Councilwoman Mary Zovistoski, to award Road Traction Material to Bach and Co. @ \$3.50/ton and Marine Transportation to RJ Marine Associates LTD @ \$154; \$207; and \$106.00. Motion carried.

Fixed Assets Disposal: RESOLUTION NO. 85 OF 2017 was offered by Councilwoman Donna J. Patchen, seconded by Councilman Lance Peterson, a resolution that the Town Board authorizes the deletion and disposal of obsolete, broken or sold Town equipment from the Town Fixed Asset Inventory. Storandt-aye; Cantwell III-aye; Zovistoski-aye; Patchen-aye; Peterson-aye. **PASSED.**

RPTL §487 Opt Out: Town Board discussion on Solar, Wind Turbines, etc. and whether we want to be able to tax these. Currently the State doesn’t allow taxing on these. Town Board members agree that locally we should be able to impose a tax and therefore we should “opt out” of the New York State Plan. The Supervisor will send this to Town Attorney Joseph Russell to have him draw up the resolution needed to opt out of additional types of energy production.

Grindstone Island Groundkeeper: Motion was made by Councilman Bob Cantwell III, seconded by Councilwoman Mary Zovistoski, to have the late Richard Matthews’ son, Jim Matthews complete the 2018 season of mowing on Grindstone Island and pay him by Voucher. Motion carried.

Baseball Home Run Fencing: James Jones, Recreation Park Manager approached the Town Board concerning the Homerun Fencing. Mr. Jones reviewed a company in Croghan that charges \$25,000 for each 300' section fencing set.

In checking other vendors, there is a 300' Homerun Fence Package for \$2,099.00 with 48 optional ground sockets and Caps for \$299.97 a kit. Mr. Jones explained that we would need three kits for our three fields.

Further investigation will be ongoing to see if the Youth Commission or Youth groups/teams, would be able to financially assist with this project.

Cerow Recreation Park Arena Project: Rob Campany had submitted a list of questions concerning the Recreation Park addition/renovation project. Before he can move forward Mr. Campany needs to know the Board's preferences in order to have a more accurate project budget. After discussion with the Board, Mr. Campany stated he would have a ballpark figure plus develop a schedule for the Dec. 29th meeting.

North Country Grants Awarded: Word has been received that the Town of Clayton has been awarded two grants for the Cerow Recreation Park Arena Expansion Project: \$500,000 from OPRHP Parks Dept. and the other is \$665,000 from ESD Grants.

HRA/FSA Resolution - RESOLUTION NO. 86 OF 2017 was introduced by Councilman Lance Peterson, seconded by Councilwoman Mary Zovistoski, a resolution of the Town of Clayton Board regarding Town contributions to Employee Health Savings Accounts, Health Reimbursement Arrangements and Flexible Spending Accounts. Storandt-aye; Cantwell III-aye; Zovistoski-aye; Patchen-aye; Peterson-aye. **PASSED.**

Supervisor's Report:

TIERS: Supervisor Storandt is suggesting that the Town Board take \$3,500 of Bed Tax money and give to TIERS to help compensate for emergency services support during various events within the Town.

ABM: There is a meeting this Friday, December 15, 2017.

CLDC: Has approved of the Town Contract.

Motion made by Councilman Bob Cantwell III, seconded by Councilman Lance Peterson, to appoint Jack Stopper as a member of the CLDC for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2020, to replace Rebecca Hopfinger whose term has expired. Motion carried.

Consolidated Health District: Next meeting is in January 2018.

Department Head Reports:

Highway Superintendent:

- Sand barrels have been taken to Grindstone Island.
- Crews have started plowing snow.

Assessor: Monthly Report – November/December 2017 received.

Codes/Zoning: November Monthly Report(s) for Codes and Zoning have been received.

Dog Control Officer: Amy Funk has submitted her November Monthly Activity Report.

Council Reports:

Cantwell: Thank you to every Town Board Member, Town employee, and all the constituents. It has been a pleasure to be here and serve the Town of Clayton. I have enjoyed my time here. I thought that I would have been here longer, but opportunity came along when Mike Docteur decided not to run for another term. I'm very thankful for all those that have inspired me along the way and I will continue to serve the Clayton community and Cape Vincent Community at the County level.

Congratulations to Nolan Knapp and welcome aboard.

Peterson: Question and discussion of Trash Bags at the Transfer Site. **Motion** was made by Councilman Lance Peterson, seconded by Councilwoman Mary Zovistoski, to sell any trash bags that we have left and then we will no longer be selling bags. Motion carried.

Public: Ken Knapp expressed a thank you to Bob Cantwell III for your years of service to our community and looking forward to your continued service at the Jefferson County level.

Adjournment: **Motion** was made by Councilman Bob Cantwell III, seconded by Councilwoman Donna Patchen, to adjourn this regular meeting at 5:50 PM. Motion carried.

Kathleen E. LaClair, Town Clerk