

**January 23, 2019**

The Town Board of the Town of Clayton held their workshop meeting at 5:00 PM in the Town Board Room with the following persons present:

David M. Storandt, Jr  
Lance Peterson  
Kathleen E. La Clair

Mary Zovistoski  
Kenneth Knapp

Donna Patchen  
William Sherman

Bobby Cantwell, County Legislator  
Rob Campany

Jimmy Jones  
Pan McDowell

Allen Heberling

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

**Town Clerk:**

**Correspondence:**

- ✓ St. Lawrence Valley Bluegrass Assoc. Inc. is sponsoring the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Thousand Islands Bluegrass Festival on June 6,7,8,&9, 2019 at Stone Mills, NY. They are looking for sponsors to help out.
- ✓ Township Telephone Company Inc. sent a notice that zero dollars in NY Clayton Gross Receipts Tax were available from December 2018.
- ✓ Charter Communications of 1/11 and 1/16 notice of upcoming changes.
- ✓ Equipment Rentals Inc. notice of what is available at their location.

**Minutes:**

- ✓ **January 9, 2019 Annual: Motion** was made by Mary Zovistoski, and seconded by Ken Knapp, to approve the minutes as presented. **Motion carried.**
- ✓ **January 9, 2019 Regular: Motion** was made by Donna Patchen, and seconded by Ken Knapp to approve the minutes as presented. **Motion carried.**

**Public:** None.

**Workshop:**

**Prepay authorization:** Unemployment & Cerow Agency Insurance: **Motion** was made by Lance Peterson, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to approve authorizing the prepaying of NYS Unemployment and Cerow Agency Insurance bills from the February 2019 Abstract. **Motion carried.**

**Transfer authorization:** \$106,800 from General Checking to Route 12 Sewer Checking (correction): **Motion** was made by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Donna Patchen, to authorize a Transfer of Funds from Fund A to Fund GT. ( G/L A200.00 General transfer from: \$106,800.00 to G/L GT200.00 Route 12 Sewer Fund: \$106,800.00). **Motion carried.**

**Young People's Theater: Motion** was made by Ken Knapp, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to accept and authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the SLC Arts NYS Council on the Arts Decentralization Grant Program award. **Motion carried.**

**Highway Superintendent :**

**Tractor: Motion** was made by Donna Patchen, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to approve the Tractor Mower Quote from Walldroff Equipment for the New Holland TS6.120 T4B, 4WD cab, heat, a/c 95 PTO hp. 16x8 transmission, 2 sets of rear remotes at a quote of \$68,359.00 with government discounts. **Motion carried.**

**Lifts: Motion** was made by Donna Patchen, seconded by Ken Knapp, to approve from Mohawk Lifts: 1 TP-16-35A-16,000lb – 4hP – 3 stage arms; 1 Weight indicating Pressure Gauge 4” diameter; 1 in-floor hydraulic lines (stainless steel) for a quote of \$16,349.26. **Motion carried.**

**Hotel Fireworks:** Motion was made by Lance Peterson, seconded by Ken Knapp, to approve the Hotel Fireworks for Snow and Ice on 2/7 thru 2/9 and to deposit the \$200 fee associated with the application. **Motion carried.**

**Chamber Boat Show Arena and Highway use April 3rd -8th: Motion** was made by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Donna Patchen, to authorize permission to use the Town and Village Barn and Cerow Recreation Park Arena for the 2019 Boat Show. **Motion carried.**

**Volunteer Transportation Center Revised Contract: Motion** was made by Ken Knapp, seconded by Lance Peterson, to approve and authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the revised Volunteer Transportation Center, Inc. Contract. **Motion carried.**

**Public Hearing: Depauville Sewer Ordinance Revision @ 5:30 pm: Motion** was made by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Lance Peterson, to open the Public Hearing at 5:30 PM. **Motion carried.**

Supervisor Storandt stated that this is an update of the prior Sewer Ordinance, ie: updating, that before we collected sewer rents quarterly and now it is a yearly levy on the Town & County Taxes.

There was no one to speak at this public hearing.

**Motion** to close the Public Hearing was made by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Donna Patchen at 5:33 PM. **Motion carried.**

Supervisor Storandt stated that this is a Type 2 action under SEQRA.

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT Depauville Sewer Use Ordinance:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 43 of 2019** was introduced by Ken Knapp, seconded by Lance Peterson, a resolution that the Amended and Restated Depauville Sewer Use Ordinance be hereby adopted subject to a summary being published in the official newspaper of the Town of Clayton and after said publication shall be effective ten (10) days following the publication of summary. Storandt-aye; Zovistoski-aye; Patchen-aye; Peterson-aye; and Knapp-aye. **PASSED.**

**Public Hearing: Route 12 Sewer District Sewer Use Ordinance @5:45 PM: Motion** was made by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Lance Peterson, to open the Public Hearing at 5:45 PM. **Motion carried.**

Supervisor Storandt indicated that this is substantially the same as the Depauville Sewer Ordinance. This district will engage the Town of Orleans rules.

There was no one to speak on the Route 12 Sewer Ordinance.

**Motion** was made by Lance Peterson, seconded by Ken Knapp to close the public hearing at 6:15 pm.  
**Motion carried.**

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT ROUTE 12 Sewer District Sewer Use Ordinance:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 44 of 2019** was introduced by Lance Peterson, seconded by Ken Knapp, a resolution that the Route 12 Sewer District Sewer Use Ordinance be hereby adopted subject to a summary being published in the official newspaper of the Town of Clayton and after said publication shall be effective ten (10) days following the publication of summary. Storandt,-aye; Zovistoski-aye; Patchen-aye; Peterson-aye and Knapp-aye. **PASSED.**

**Discussion of EDU determination, seasonal rates; billing cycles – Tricia Bannister:**

Question concerning Route 12 Sewer were forthcoming from Tricia Bannister, owner of Tricia's Rondette Diner. Her inquiry concerned who determined how to appoint EDU's. Rob Campany, Town Engineer stated that this is primarily determined by the state. There are guidelines per many capacity seating the diner has. The house determination is by square footage and how many bathrooms.

Mrs. Bannister wondered if any thought was given for seasonal rates and use. She explained that she isn't opened year round. Rob explained that the sewer is there 24/7 year round and the short term use of the diner is not a factor in the guidelines.

Mrs. Bannister wondered how the determination of putting the sewer bill on the Town & County Taxes came about. To say the least, it was sticker shock when she and probably everyone else opened their taxes. Was any consideration given to doing "quarterly" billings, thus giving businesses a chance to make some money prior to receiving their bill? Rob Campany explained that a letter, actually two letters went out to all that would be billed, giving the amount per EDU. Advanced notice was given. You would have had to save enough money from last summer to help you pay for the amount on your taxes. Mrs. Bannister stated that she didn't know how many EDU's were going to be assessed to her property. It was a total sticker shock effect.

Mr. Campany stated that EDU's will be audited during the year and could help change the amount billed. The Town Board could revisit payment scheduling to residents.

**Mark Walczyk Letter: Motion** was made by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Ken Knapp, to approve the Town Supervisor sending a letter voicing concerns on behalf of the Town of Clayton specifically, concerning the Governor's proposal of substantial elimination of Aid and Incentives for Municipalities (AIM) funding to some 91% of towns state-wide. Secondly, elimination of the Extreme Winter Recovery program and no increases to CHIPS funding will greatly impact our highway department's budgets; and thirdly, the permanency of the tax cap is largely a symbolic move as long as the localities can opt out in any given year. A copy will also be sent to Senator Patty Ritchie. **Motion carried.**

**Westelcom Phone System Upgrade: Motion** was made by Lance Peterson, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to move forward with the new phone system for the town offices, and updates for the arena and highway dept. This is a 60-month term renewal. **Motion carried.**

**National Grid LED: Motion** was made by Ken Knapp, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to go with the largest wattage. **Motion carried.**

**NYC AOT: Resolutions** - The Town Board will review the resolutions and get back to Councilwoman Zovistoski on any changes or opinions concerning this resolutions to help her voting.

**Engineering Update: Arena Project:** Rob Campany and Councilman Knapp will meet this Tuesday afternoon at 1 and next Friday morning at 8 AM to review the plans ie: details as a hanging ceiling or leave open and paint black. Need to discuss pre-demo plans and borings, etc.

**Motion** was made by Ken Knapp, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to accept GYMO DPC for the Pre-renovation Hazardous Material Survey with a low quote of \$8,415. **Motion carried.**

**Motion** was made by Lance Peterson, seconded by Donna Patchen, to accept the low quote from Atlantic Testing Laboratories for Subsurface Investigation at a quote of \$7,015. **Motion carried.**

**Public:** None.

**Adjournment: Motion** was made by Ken Knapp, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:20 and go into Executive Session for a few minutes. **Motion carried.**

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Kathleen E. LaClair, Town Clerk