

May 22, 2019

The Town Board of the Town of Clayton held their Workshop meeting at 5:00 PM in the Board Room located at 405 Riverside Drive, Clayton, NY with the following persons present:

Lance Peterson, Deputy Supr.
Kenneth Knapp

Mary Zovistoski
William Sherman(absent)

Donna Patchen
Kathleen E. LaClair

Alicia Dewey
Bob Cantwell III, Jeff. Co. Legis.

Tanya Yates

Kevin Patchen

Pledge of Allegiance: Deputy Supervisor Peterson led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance after opening the Workshop meeting at 5:00 PM.

Town Clerk:

Correspondence:

- Notice of Public Hearing – Town of Orleans- P/H – OHA Special Use Permit Modification and Site Plan Review Modification.
- Village of Clayton review of current water/sewer billing policies and more fairly allocate charges to Account 144 & #145
- Annual Comprehensive Inspection of T/C Depauville S.D. Sewage Treatment Plant
- Thousand Island Central School notice of Annual Budget Vote – was last night.
- Justice Ramseier & Jeram Jr. submission log certification for fines collected April 2019
- Jones Hacker Murphy Tax Refund demand letter – WGS Clayton Housing Associates, LLC V. Town of Clayton
- NYS Gross Receipts Tax Collection: Township Telephone Charter Communications & Utility: AGERA Energy LLC.
- Charter Communications – Upcoming Changes on or about May 24th.

Minutes: Motion was made by Kenneth Knapp, seconded by Donna Patchen, to approve the minutes of May 8th, 2019 as presented. **Motion carried.**

Public comment on agenda items: Jefferson County Legislator Bob Cantwell III discussed Homeland Security here in Clayton because of the flooding waters. Several different entities are on hand to help with the flooding and will be here until water recedes to a not as dangerous level. All eyes are on Clayton at this time and in the future that won't hurt us.

Legislator Cantwell III also discussed the tire issue. It wasn't handled correctly at the County level and the County realizes that and will hope to make some changes concerning the collection of tires.

Workshop Discussion Items:

A. Safety Policy Adoption: Motion was made by Kenneth Knapp, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, after review of the "safety policies", to accept as presented, knowing that a few changes would be necessary to upgrade in the near future and then present the entire package at one time to the employees. **Motion carried.**

B. Danenwald Road Speed Limit Change Request: RESOLUTION NO. 53 OF 2019, was offered and moved for adoption by Councilman Kenneth Knapp, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, a resolution to inquire of the Jefferson County Highway Superintendent and the New York State Department of Transportation to check and reduce speed on the Danenwald Road, Town of Clayton. Peterson-aye; Zovistoski-aye; Patchen-aye; Knapp-aye. **PASSED.**

C. Fixed Assets: Disposal of (12) Avaya Phones: Motion was made by Donna Patchen, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to put these out for disposal. **Motion carried.**

D. Set Grindstone Island Board Meeting: (7/24/19): Motion was made by Donna Patchen, seconded by Kenneth Knapp, to set the Grindstone Island meeting for July 24th at Dodge Hall at 5:00 PM. Boat will leave the front dock at 4PM. **Motion carried.**

E. Local Docking at Marina: Discussion that the need for an extension is warranted. **Motion** was made by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Donna Patchen, to extend the time frame to June 12th, for the locals to dock at \$25/week with no power at the Clayton Harbor docks, due to the highwater levels. Motion carried.

F. Fireworks Permit:

Clayton Chamber of Commerce: (7/3/2019): Motion was made by Donna Patchen, seconded by Kenneth Knapp, to accept the Clayton Chamber of Commerce application for a Firework's Permit and not charge them the \$200 fee associated with the permit. Motion carried.

1000 Islands Charity Poker Run & Fireworks Inc: (7/20/2019) & Use of Docks: Motion was made by Donna Patchen, seconded by Kenneth Knapp, to accept the 1000 Islands Charity Poker Run Firework's application and not charge them the \$200 fee associated with that permit. Motion carried.

Further discussion will be at the next meeting concerning their request for the use of the docks for three (3) nights (Thursday, Friday, Saturday) instead of two (2) nights at the same rate of \$75 per boat. The Board will discuss this further.

*Deputy Supervisor Peterson thanked Legislator Cantwell III for all his help with the highwater situation and helping to obtain sand bags, etc.

CLDC LWRP Request Letter: Letter received from Jack Stopper, Chairman of the Clayton Local Development Corporation in regards to having the Joint LWRP updated. NYS Dept. has funding available to cover 75% of the cost of updating the Joint LWRP and other additional studies that are included in the application. The funding is available each year through the CFA process. Applications for the CFA process are due in June this year. Priorities for this year's funding from NYS DOS include updating an LWRP to Mitigate Physical Climate Risks.

The CLDC would like to do the update, including the leg work. The CLDC has about 15 or 20 things on a list that have been completed. They would put together a work group. Consensus of the Town Board is to acknowledge and support this request letter.

Arena Financing Follow-Up: Rob Campany sent a written report: In November of 2018, we submitted a pre-application for financing with a feasibility report to USDA Rural Development. Rob spoke with Eric Jonson with USDA and he is reviewing the application. He asked that we not advertise for bid until he

completed his review. USDA is significantly backlogged, but would like to fund this project if it makes sense for the Town. He estimated his review would be about a week.

USDA indicated the current interest rates for projects such as this are 4 ¼%, but likely to decrease.

Terms would be either 25 or 30 years, depending on Bond Council opinion of useful life.

A grant may be available. Possibly up to \$100,000.

If we go to bid without USDA approval and the Town decides to finance with them, it could cause complications.

Rob Campany also spoke with Jeff Smith on Municipal Solutions in Leroy, NY. Jeff assists municipalities with financing projects such as this. He provided the attached revised proposal (provided earlier to David Storandt) for the Town's consideration. Jeff could assist in evaluating financing options and assist with short term and long term financing.

Rob sent along the most recent budget from last May for everyone's convenience.

Discussion followed. Councilman Knapp has the full set of maps for this project.

Solar Law Status

Deputy Supervisor Peterson inquired if Joe Russell has our Solar Law completed as yet. Unknown at this time and we will have to follow up on this.

Assessor request: Motion was made by Mary Zovistoski, seconded by Ken Knapp, to approve that Kim Johnston and Christine Thurston could share the accommodations for their schooling. The Town of Clayton will pay the entire bill and bill Ms. Thurston's municipality for their share. Motion carried.

Historian: Motion was made by Ken Knapp, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to approve Tom LaClair, Town Historian, to attend a Historian's Conference (amount not to exceed \$500.00). Motion carried.

Memorials at Cemetery: Councilman Knapp & Councilwoman Patchen indicated that they might be able to attend the downtown Monument Memorials and catch the 11 AM boat to Grindstone Island for their Memorial service. There will be a luncheon at Dodge Hall afterwards.

Possible Boat Purchase: Deputy Peterson discussed possibly purchasing a boat for the Town use by personnel. Councilman Knapp stated he supports the researching of this purchase.

Councilman Knapp: TIERS is having another fund raiser at Foxy's Restaurant this evening.

Public submitted requests to Address the Board: None.

Adjournment: Motion was made by Donna Patchen, seconded by Mary Zovistoski, to adjourn this Workshop meeting at 6:10 PM. **Motion carried.**

Kathleen E. LaClair, Town Clerk