

There was a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Clayton on Monday January 13, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Norma Zimmer, Mayor
Nancy L. Hyde, Trustee
Michelle T. Grybowski, Trustee
Jeremy Kellogg, Trustee (arrived 5:45pm)
Steven Badour, Trustee

OTHERS:

Kevin Patenaude, Police Chief
Terry Jones, DPW Superintendent
Megan Ervay, WWTP Manager
Joanne Lenhard-Boye, Village Clerk

Community Residents:

See sign-in sheet (on file in Clerk's office)

Pledge of Allegiance/Call to Order:

Mayor Norma Zimmer led the Pledge of Allegiance and opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

VISTOR(S):

John Condino, Senior Project Manager, Barton & Loguidice

Handed out the SEQR evaluation supporting documents for part 2, which are all the environmental questions pertaining to the projects and part 3 which is all the supporting information. He explained to the Board that he would like them to take this information and go over it in the next couple of weeks in order to be able to conclude the SEQR review at the next Board meeting in order to close out the funding agreement in February.

POLICE REPORT:

Kevin Patenaude, Chief of Police - presented his activity report at the meeting, this report is filed at the Village Clerk's office.

DPW REPORT:

Terry Jones, DPW Superintendent - presented his Activity Report and Year End review for 2019. Both reports are filed at the Village Clerks office.

Hoping to be able to combine the Halloween wind storm with the FEMA grant so that he can get some sheet pile and fix the section of the Riverwalk behind the Monument that was damaged. He is going to discuss with Barton & Loguidice to put together another bid package in order to try and get this done before spring.

Mayor Zimmer then asked the public if there was anyone that wanted to address the sidewalks that were shoveled and the letters that went out for the fine. The first person to speak from the public was Mark Lennox who rents from owner on 525 Alexandria Street. He wanted to point out that he is for this law and the safety of the children. His questions were based on the amount of snow that would be considered accumulated. The Board did comment that this is a common sense thing that would not be an excuse not to pay the fee.

Kathy Danielson who lives on 521 Alexandria Street also addressed the board with concerns regarding the fifty dollar fee. Her concern was that she was not notified regarding that her sidewalk needed to be shoveled. The Board told her that this was on the back of the most recent water/sewer bills and also in the TI Sun along with posting it on our Village webpage. Kathy informed the Board she does not have time to read the paper, and Trustee Hyde spoke up to state that if you take care of your commercial business sidewalk, then you should be able to do the same with your residence.

Trustee Hyde also reminded Kathy that this law is not new to the community and that there has been a lot of complaints that sidewalks are not shoveled and this is why the Board is now enforcing the law.

WWTP:

Meagan Ervay - WWTP Manager - Presented the Board with two letters from NYS Department of Transportation requesting deposit money necessary to add additional work for the NY 970L Project. The first request is to add additional sanitary work to the Contract to replace a manhole and a portion of the existing sanitary sewer main along James Street. This money will be coming out of the Sewer Reserve Fund. Total deposit required for this is \$78,567.94.

The second letter requesting deposit money necessary to add additional work to the NY 970L Project is to add 18 additional water services to the Contract to replace and upgrade existing services along Riverside Drive. Deposit for this added work will be \$151,184.67 and will be coming out of the Water Treatment Plant Project Contingency Fund.

Trustee Hyde presented a **MOTION** to approve the above requested deposit monies payable to Office of the State Comptroller as presented. Trustee Grybowski seconded; motion was carried all in favor.

Informed the Board that Dustin Orvis did not pass his test for Sewer Operator. Megan insured the Board that this is a difficult test and that she will send him to an operator training class to better prepare him for the second time he takes the test. All were in favor to send him to class.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. DRAFT Meeting Minutes December 23rd, 2019
2. Payroll Week #51 (P/R #14) – \$56,071.08
3. Abstract #14 - \$74,951.14
 - Library \$105.55
 - General Fund \$25,907.23
 - Water Fund \$38,028.08
 - Sewer Fund \$10,910.28

Trustee Hyde presented a **MOTION** to approve the Consent Agenda items 1-3, as presented. Trustee Grybowski seconded; motion was carried.

Village Clerk Joanne Lenhard-Boye reminded everyone of the Joint Meeting that will be held February 12th, 2020 at 5pm. This will be held at the Town office under the Opera House.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

DRI update – Mayor Zimmer asked the Board if they had any ideas for Village improvements with the DRI Grant. Mayor Zimmer mentioned the Arch having LED lighting and some other upgrades so that every time it rains the lights do not go out. A new elevator at the Rotary Park was also suggested by Mayor Zimmer. Trustee Grybowski suggested Trolley Transportation in the Village, and also more seating at the Centennial Park

Mayor Zimmer announced the Readers Digest had an article on the Thousand Islands and that the Village of Clayton was on the best top 20 small towns to come to.

Mayor Zimmer announced some dates for meetings: Tug Hill Conference March 26th, 2020. Sign meeting January 14th, 2020 at 3pm at the Municipal Building. FEMA kick off meeting in Watertown January 22nd, 2020 starting at 10:00 am. Meeting with accountant and department heads on January 15th, 2020 to discuss where we are at with present budget, and discuss some tentative dates to start working on the upcoming budget.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Allen Heberling village resident commented that the historical buildings in the Village are not the same. Joe Christman commented we are going to have another issue with Riverwalk because it is now washing up underneath the concrete.

Trustee Hyde presented a **MOTION** to adjourn meeting at 6:38 pm; Trustee Grybowski seconded; motion was carried.

Respectfully,

Joanne Lenhard-Boye, Village Clerk