

TOWN OF CLARKSON  
TOWN BOARD MEETING  
January 14, 2020

The Town Board of the Town of Clarkson held their regular meeting on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at the Clarkson Town Hall, 3710 Lake Road, Clarkson, NY at 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

Christa Filipowicz	Supervisor
Allan Hoy	Councilperson
Patrick Didas	Councilperson
Tom Guarino	Councilperson
Leslie Zink	Councilperson
Sharon Mattison	Town Clerk
Robert Viscardi	Highway Supt.
Richard Olson	Attorney for the Town

ALSO:

** Elizabeth Spencer	Assessor
Kevin Moore	Bldg. Inspector
**excused	

Supervisor Filipowicz opened the meeting. Sharon Mattison, Town Clerk led all those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was observed for those serving in the military and our First Responders.

**OPEN FORUM**

No one spoke.

**PUBLIC HEARING, CLARKSON RENEWABLES, LLC SOLAR PROJECT**

Mike Cucchiara of Nexamp, Inc. and Christopher Knox of Crawford & Associates Engineering, P.C. were present. M. Cucchiara reviewed the project details, namely a 6.5 megawatt solar project located on the west side of Lake Road about one-half mile north of the roundabout. This project would be able to serve over 400 residential homes as well as larger off-takers. Construction would take place over five to six months. There is tree cover around the project. A 20-foot gravel access road would be installed. There will be fairly minimal clearing to allow for utility poles and construction equipment. Plans were displayed with narration by C. Knox. The entire facility will be gated with a seven-foot fence. Life expectancy of the project is approximately 25 years. At end-of-life, decommissioning plans would leave the parcel as it was originally. The project will be solar only; no batteries.

Concerned residents in attendance included Ken and Nancy Hayward of 3895 Lake Road, Harold Mundy of 85 Mission Hill Drive, Ethan Dennis of 94 Sherwood Drive, and Shawn Lessord of 73 Valley View Drive. Issues discussed included the access roads, easements and setbacks, noise and lighting, maintenance and repairs, snow removal, safety, and esthetics. Drainage and stormwater management were also discussed. No disturbance in local wildlife is anticipated. Studies have shown that property values of homes in similar solar projects have not been impacted. Benefit to residents would be an approximate 10% discount with no enrollment or cancellation fees. The construction phase will be a busy time with equipment deliveries. The project team stated that they would be available to work with area residents to assist in resolving any concerns they might have.

R. Olson commented that notification has been submitted stating that the Town of Clarkson intends to enter into a pilot agreement with Nexamp, Inc. The next step, after approval of the overlay district, would be application to the Planning Board.

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**RESOLUTION #123**  
**CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING**

Introduced by Councilperson Hoy  
Seconded by Councilperson Zink  
To close the public hearing at 7:00 P.M.

**VOTE OF THE BOARD**

AYES: Supervisor Filipowicz, Councilpersons Hoy, Didas, Zink and Guarino  
NAYS: None

**RESOLUTION #123**  
**REQUESTING TE-9 FOR SPEED REDUCTION ON**  
**ROOSEVELT HIGHWAY**

Introduced by Councilperson Didas  
Seconded by Councilperson Guarino  
To submit a TE-9 requesting the DOT establish a lower maximum speed at which vehicles may proceed on **Roosevelt Highway** between Route 260 and Clarkson Parma Town Line Road of which is located in the Town of Clarkson.

**VOTE OF THE BOARD**

AYES: Supervisor Filipowicz, Councilpersons Hoy, Didas, Zink and Guarino  
NAYS: None

**HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT**

Supervisor Filipowicz stated that the Board would need to confer with Attorney, Richard Olson regarding this matter, therefore it will be moved to Executive Session.

**RESOLUTION #249**  
**STANDARD WORK DAY AND REPORTING RESOLUTION FOR ELECTED**  
**AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS FOR NYS RETIREMENT**

Introduced by Councilperson Hoy  
Seconded by Councilperson Didas  
To approve NYSLRS standard work day and reported resolution for elected and appointed officials.

**VOTE OF THE BOARD**

AYES: Supervisor Filipowicz, Councilpersons Hoy, Didas, Zink and Guarino  
NAYS: None

**SUPERVISOR REPORTS**

C. Filipowicz thanked P. Didas for his work regarding the Umpteenth Children's Christmas Party as well as the Town Clerk and Highway Department for assisting with all the decorations. We received a response from NYS DOT with project numbers for issues discussed at the last meeting. Sean Hucko will be collecting information for our annual audit. C. Filipowicz, Keylee Gilfilian, Leslie Zink and Tom Guarino attended the NYS training for *newly elected officials* last week. Our Little Library at Hafner Park was destroyed this past weekend, which was captured on our Highway security cameras A police report has been filed. Several community members have offered to donate books, money, and supplies to replace this library. P. Didas mentioned relocating the library so it was closer to Lake Road and more visible to the public. She met with Seymour Library officials regarding the final budget. Plans are being finalized for a copier replacement program for the Highway Office as well as downstairs and upstairs in the Town Hall. Plans have been initiated for transferring our telephone service from Frontier Communications Time Warner/Spectrum for a substantial savings. Late morning staff meetings have been initiated at the Town Hall to coincide with Town Board meeting dates. She recently awarded an Eagle Scout proclamation. Employee benefit summaries will be distributed soon. A draft *winter safety day* flyer was distributed, to be held on February 21<sup>st</sup>. We will assist with advertising.

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**TOWN BOARD REPORTS**

Councilperson Zink reported that she recently met with H. Mundy and some members of the Solar Committee to review the NYS 2019 Energy Source Supplement.

**BUILDING INSPECTOR/CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORTS**

K. Moore reported that notices have been mailed out regarding mandatory fire inspections.

**HIGHWAY SUPERINDENDENT REPORTS**

R. Viscardi reported on a few downed trees from the recent wind storm. Highway crew has been doing some County work on Clarkson-Parma Town Line Road as well as sewer work at 31 Sherwood Drive. He recently took possession of the new 2020 skid steer. He would like permission to list the 1971 Bombardier on a municipal auction site. He reported that the Vets Park has approximately 150 to 200 dead Ash trees. He has contacted a few local contractors to get prices on dropping the trees. Highway crew could then cut them up and take to the Transfer Station. It was suggested that we should have a multi-year plan for Town properties.

**RESOLUTION #250**

**APPROVAL TO LIST 1971 BOMBARDIER ON MUNICIPAL AUCTION SITE**

Introduced by Councilperson Didas

Seconded by Councilperson Guarino

Approval to list the 1971 Bombardier on a municipal auction site.

**VOTE OF THE BOARD**

AYES: Supervisor Filipowicz, Councilpersons Hoy, Didas, Zink and Guarino

NAYS: None

**RESOLUTION #251**

**MINUTES**

Introduced by Councilperson Zink

Seconded by Councilperson Didas

To approve December 10, 2019 minutes.

**VOTE OF THE BOARD**

AYES: Supervisor Filipowicz, Councilpersons Hoy, Didas, Zink and Guarino

NAYS: None

**RESOLUTION #252**

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

Introduced by Councilperson Didas

Seconded by Councilperson Zink

To approve December 28, 2019 special meeting minutes.

**VOTE OF THE BOARD**

AYES: Supervisor Filipowicz, Councilpersons Hoy, Didas, Zink and Guarino

NAYS: None

**RESOLUTION #253**

**MINUTES**

Introduced by Councilperson Zink

Seconded by Councilperson Didas

To approve January 2, 2020 minutes.

**VOTE OF THE BOARD**

AYES: Supervisor Filipowicz, Councilpersons Hoy, Didas, Zink and Guarino

NAYS: None

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**RESOLUTION #254**  
**AUDIT—12-03-2019**

Introduced by Councilperson Hoy  
Seconded by Councilperson Guarino  
To authorize payment of audit 12-03-2019 to include the following:  
Total \$67,615.12; AA General \$7,888.84; BB General \$3,542.37; DA Highway \$49,275.60; HH Capital \$495.60; SL Lighting \$3,939.50; SS Sewer \$87.93;  
TA \$2,385.28.  
For distribution of checks from Joint Checking #35166-35169; 35172-35203;(35170 and 35171 in 01-14-2020 abstract)  
Trust & Agency #6053-6055 (6056 and 6057 in 01-14-2020 abstract)

**VOTE OF THE BOARD**

AYES: Supervisor Filipowicz, Councilpersons Hoy, Didas, Zink and Guarino  
NAYS: None

**RESOLUTION #255**  
**AUDIT—01-01-2020**

Introduced by Councilperson Hoy  
Seconded by Councilperson Guarino  
To authorize payment of audit 01-01-2020 to include the following:  
Total \$200,872.29; AA General \$122,877.26; BB General \$2,628.00; DA Highway \$62,727.11; DB Highway \$9,384.00; HH Capital \$222.00; SS Sewer \$930.00; TA \$2,103.92.  
For distribution of checks from Joint Checking #35170, 35171; 35204-35230  
Trust & Agency #6056-6057.

**VOTE OF THE BOARD**

AYES: Supervisor Filipowicz, Councilpersons Hoy, Didas, Zink and Guarino  
NAYS: None

**RESOLUTION #256**  
**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Councilperson Didas  
Seconded by Councilperson Hoy  
To enter executive session at 7:20 P.M to confer with, Richard Olson, Attorney for the Town.

**VOTE OF THE BOARD**

AYES: Supervisor Filipowicz, Councilpersons Hoy, Didas, Zink and Guarino  
NAYS: None

**RESOLUTION #257**  
**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION**

Motion by Councilperson Didas  
Seconded by Councilperson Hoy  
To return to regular session at 8:27 P.M.

**VOTE OF THE BOARD**

AYES: Supervisor Filipowicz, Councilpersons Hoy, Didas, Zink and Guarino  
NAYS: None

**RESOLUTION #258**  
**ADJOURNMENT**

Introduced by Councilperson Didas  
Seconded by Councilperson Guarino  
To adjourn the Town Board meeting at 8:27 P.M.

**VOTE OF THE BOARD**

AYES: Supervisor Filipowicz, Councilpersons Hoy, Didas, Zink and Guarino  
NAYS: None

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon S. Mattison  
Town Clerk

Approved 01-28-2020