

TOWN OF CLARKSON
TOWN BOARD MEETING
May 26, 2020

The Town Board of the Town of Clarkson held a virtual Town Board meeting on Tuesday, May 26, 2020 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 Superintendent
Richard Olson	Attorney for the Town

ALSO:

Kevin Moore	Building Inspector
** Elizabeth Spencer	Assessor
Kathy Kemp	Deputy Town Clerk
**excused	

Supervisor Filipowicz opened the meeting and took roll call. She then led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was observed for our service men and women, first responders and those on the front lines fighting the COVID-19 pandemic and essential workers keeping our community safe and healthy. This Memorial Day we are remembering all veterans, but particularly those who have paid the ultimate price for our freedoms.

Supervisor Filipowicz added that Liz Spencer, the Town Assessor, is holding Grievance Day as we speak so is unable to attend tonight's meeting. All other members are present.

OPEN FORUM

This is the portion of the meeting where we allow public comment. We had one contact regarding a subdivision and that question was answered via a follow-up phone call. There are no public hearings scheduled for this evening.

LIBRARY REPORT

Patricia Galinski, our Seymour Library Board representative, gave an update on the Library. The Library Board meets via Zoom. Brenda Rooks of Yaeger Treviso & Associates along with Nancy Powell, library staff gave a presentation on the library's new financial system. Library staff reported back to work today; Monday-Friday 10-6, staggered schedules. Curbside pickup will begin June 1st. Re-opening procedures have been drafted by the Library Director based on the State plan. Dampers on the HVAC system, because of COVID-19, need to be opened to allow outside air in. A quote has been obtained and municipalities will be contacted regarding this work. Energy audit has been done by NYS and the Board is awaiting their report. The library's new website, designed by the library director, included a survey on virtual programming. Patrons prefer pre-recorded materials vs. live. MOU proposal will be forthcoming.

COVID-19 UPDATE

Supervisor Filipowicz stated that we have completed our next phase regarding re-opening Town facilities. This phase is planned for a June 1st start. The Town Clerk, Assessor and Building Departments may begin scheduling in-person appointments. Town Clerk appointments will typically be Tuesdays and Thursdays; Assessor appointments on Mondays and Wednesdays in order to comply with social distancing. Most services may be continue to be addressed through email and phone calls, so we are still recommending that as a first option. More information is posted on our Town website under the "News" section.

05.28.20

Lodges will remain closed and rental fees as well as deposits have been returned to those with reservations through June 15th. Discussion was held on extending lodge cancellations to June 30, 2020.

RESOLUTION #319
LODGE RENTAL CANCELLATIONS

Introduced by Councilperson Didas

Seconded by Councilperson Guarino

To cancel lodge rentals through June 30, 2020; refunding all rental fees and security deposits.

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYS: None

Town Board meetings will continue with virtual meetings through June 30, 2020.

The State of Emergency expires June 2, 2020 and Supervisor Filipowicz will decide at that time whether or not to renew for an additional 30 days.

OLD BUSINESS

Borrego Solar has been removed from tonight's agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board has received the resignation of Court Clerk Debbie Rath.

RESOLUTION #320
ACCEPT COURT CLERK RESIGNATION

Introduced by Councilperson Hoy

Seconded by Councilperson Didas

To accept the resignation of Court Clerk Debbie Rath.

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION #321
APPOINTMENT LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER

Introduced by Councilperson Hoy

Seconded by Councilperson Zink

That Scott Rochette, 108 Laura Ln., Town of Clarkson, NY, be and is hereby appointed as a member of the Library Board beginning January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2022.

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYS: None

COURT CLERK APPOINTMENT

Judges Christopher Wilcox and Ian Penders have recommended and are seeking the appointment of Marjorie Clifford as a part-time court clerk, pending background checks and completion of new-hire paperwork.

RESOLUTION #322
APPOINTMENT OF NEW COURT CLERK

Introduced by Councilperson Didas

Seconded by Councilperson Guarino

Appoint Marjorie Clifford to part-time position of Court Clerk, 20 hours/week at \$17.02/hour – pending background checks and completion of new-hire paperwork.

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYS: None

05.26.20

RESOLUTION #323
LOCAL LAW #2-2009
REMOVAL OF BRUSH, GRASS, RUBBISH OR WEEDS AND SPRAYING OF
POISONOUS SHRUBS OR WEEDS LAW OF THE TOWN OF CLARKSON

Introduced by: Councilperson Didas

Seconded by: Councilperson Zink

Whereas, the Town Board has received a report from Kevin Moore, Building Inspector that property at **759 Clarkson Hamlin Town Line Road, Clarkson, NY** has an unhealthful and dangerous condition, to wit accumulation of rubbish; and

Whereas, the Town Board has reviewed this report and determined that the allegations contained therein are accurate; and

Whereas, pursuant to Local Law #2-2009, "Removal of Brush, Grass, Rubbish or Weeds and Spraying of Poisonous Shrubs or Weeds Law of the Town of Clarkson" this board may direct the property owner to remedy this condition and if such condition is not remedied within ten (10) days, have the condition remedied by the Town with the cost thereof to be assessed to the property;

Now, therefore, be it resolved:

Section 1. That the Building Inspector is directed to mail and post the notice as set forth in Local Law #2-2009;

Section 2. That if the condition is not remedied within ten (10) days of the notice, the Building Inspector shall notify the Highway Superintendent who is directed to take appropriate action to remedy the condition;

Section 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYS: None

TOWN BOARD REPORTS

Supervisor Filipowicz thanked Board members for helping place flags for veterans in our cemeteries as well as Bob Viscardi for Highway staff placing the flags on our telephone poles in time for the Memorial Day holiday weekend. This is a long-time tradition in Clarkson, made possible by our Highway Department. A budget workshop needs to be scheduled to discuss a list of budget considerations that she has already shared with Board members. After discussion, it was decided that the Board would meet on Monday, June 1, 2020 at 6 p.m.

Councilperson Guarino reported that he has been in contact with Jill Wisnowski from the Rec Center who provided an update on their facility. They are going to release a "mini" Scoreboard July 6th with a few programs for less than 10 participants. Decision on baseball and soccer will be made next week. PPE is being utilized.

Councilperson Zink reported that Captain Bell has placed the speed wagon on Sweden Walker Road. She has contacted the Brockport and Hamlin Food Shelves but they are not accepting donations at this time, but Food Link is. She will contact them and try to get information on scheduling a possible food drive. In addition, she would like to schedule a pet food drive to assist Dave Maynard with his pet pantry. Supervisor Filipowicz mentioned that some residents brought food donations to the mask hand-out event that can be included with a future food drive. Councilperson Zink has contacted all the Good Neighbor Day vendors regarding cancellation of that event this year.

TOWN CLERK REPORT

S. Mattison reported that she has scheduled appointments for a few passports as well as marriage licenses.

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HIGHWAY REPORT

B. Viscardi reported that the planned County work has been postponed. Good progress has been made on the Route 18 waterline. The rescheduled Junk Days is coming up beginning June 6th. Further information is on the Town website and Facebook page.

ATTORNEY REPORT

R. Olson reported that both the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals were able to hold successful Zoom meetings last week. He thanked K. Moore and A. Beardslee for their assistant to residents. The public were able to join in and speak during those Zoom meetings.

RESOLUTION #324
MINUTES

Introduced by Councilperson Guarino

Seconded by Councilperson Zink

To approve May 12, 2020 minutes.

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION #325
AUDIT 5-02-2020

Introduced by Councilperson Hoy

Seconded by Councilperson Guarino

To authorize payment of audit 5-02-2020 totaling \$22,584.13 to include: AA General \$10,600.48; BB General \$316.11; DA Highway \$10,402.72; HH Capital Projects \$84.82; SS Sewer \$1,180.00. Checks distributed: Joint Checking #35561-35590; Trust and Agency #6084-6088 (void 6089, 6090, 6091).

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION #326
ADJOURNMENT

Introduced by Councilperson Hoy

Seconded by Councilperson Didas

To adjourn the Town Board meeting at 6:31 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 06-09-2020