

TOWN OF CLARKSON
TOWN BOARD MEETING
April 13, 2021

The Town Board of the Town of Clarkson held their regular meeting on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 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
Susan Henshaw	Town Clerk
Robert Viscardi	Highway Superintendent
Richard Olson	Attorney
Liz Spencer	Assessor
**Kevin Moore	Building Inspector

**excused

Supervisor Filipowicz opened the meeting. She led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was observed for our service men and women, first responders, as well as those on the front lines fighting COVID.

OPEN FORUM

Solar Projects - Martha Clasquin of 34 Sherwood Dr is inquiring about several questions and concerns relating to Nexamp and is hopeful they will conduct an informative detailed meeting to all residents. Supervisor Filipowicz mentioned that in the Fall Newsletter there was a Nexamp section that may help answer some questions Martha may have. Supervisor Filipowicz mentioned that she was pleased with the solar laws that Clarkson Town Board had written 2 years ago. Specifically the Floating Zone where the solar project needs to get approval directly from the Town Board. That these laws were unique and profitable for Clarkson and that other neighboring towns are contacting Clarkson for some further guidance.

Neighborhood Watch Event – Martha Clasquin wanted to thank Councilperson Zink for her work on this event which encompassed the Vallevue Dr and Sherwood Dr neighborhoods. Martha mentioned that the speeding continues to be an issue in the area as well as running STOP signs. She would like to see some communication follow up or article in the local newspapers in regards to suggestions and ideas from the event.

Water Leak – Martha Clasquin mentioned she has spoken to Superintendent Viscardi in regards to the water leak at 58 Sherwood Dr and Valleyview Dr. He has mentioned that these repairs will need to be done by the Monroe County Water Authority. Martha advises that this water leak has huge amounts of gravel and flags and she feels is a hazard that has been this way for months. She would like to see this resolved in the near future.

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NEW BUSINESS

To Authorize Fireworks display for Clarkson Good Neighbor Days

RESOLUTION #87
AUTHORIZING FIREWORKS DISPLAY
TOWN OF CLARKSON-GOOD NEIGHBOR DAYS

Introduced by Councilperson Hoy

Seconded by Councilperson Didas

To authorize Young Explosives Corp. to hold a firework's display on August 27, 2021 at Hafner Park, 3645 Lake Road, Clarkson, NY. A Certificate of Liability Insurance for Young Explosives Corp. was provided and is on file with the Town of Clarkson. The Town of Clarkson is aware of Article 405 regarding firework permits.

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYES: None

To Authorize the signing of Ruby Shooz contract for Clarkson Good Neighbor Days

RESOLUTION #88
AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN PERFORMANCE CONTRACT
RUBY SHOOZ

Introduced by Councilperson Guarino

Seconded by Councilperson Hoy

To Authorize the Supervisor to sign performance contract with Ruby Shooz for \$2,000. The concert performance will take place during the Clarkson Good neighbor Days on August 27, 2021.

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYES: None

The appointment of Leanna Hale to the ARB

RESOLUTION #89
AUTHORIZE LEANNA HALE TO ARB

Introduced by Councilperson Zink

Seconded by Councilperson Guarino

To appoint Leanna Hale to the Architectural Review Board

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYES: None

To approve employee step increases for Anna Beardslee and Kevin Moore

RESOLUTION #90
AUTHORIZE MERIT/STEP INCREASES

Introduced by Councilperson Didas

Seconded by Councilperson Guarino

To approve, based on merit, step increases for Building Inspector Kevin Moore and Building Department Clerk Anna Beardslee

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYES: None

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To authorize the addition of a culvert pipe to a drainage ditch to 8211-8213 Ridge Rd West and 8233-8235 Ridge Rd West

RESOLUTION #91
AUTHORIZE ADDITION OF CULVERT PIPE TO A DRAINAGE DITCH AND
MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

Introduced by Councilperson Hoy

Seconded by Councilperson Guarino

To approve the addition of a culvert pipe to a drainage ditch at 8211-8213 West Ridge Rd and 8233-8235 West Ridge Rd.

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYES: None

REPORTS -

Supervisor Report: Supervisor Filipowicz advised that the Employee Civil Service audit is now complete.

Bicycle Safety Conference - Supervisor Filipowicz attended this event with County Legislator Jackie Smith last week where they advised that the law states you must be at least 3 feet from the motorist and any law enforcement. This law will be named after Carrie Ray, a local resident who was adored by many in the community. Carrie's husband Mike, their children and family all attended this event.

Spring Newsletter – is currently being drafted and if anyone has any additions they would like to add please send to Supervisor Filipowicz.

Mobile Treatment Van – On April 7 Supervisor Filipowicz attended this event along with County Legislator Jackie Smith at Hafner Park. Huther Doyle wrote a grant to help assist with addiction treatment. This unit will be available for counseling and treatment to those who need it specifically on the westside areas of the county. This is a great asset to our local communities.

Neighborhood Watch Event – Supervisor Filipowicz wants to thank Councilperson Zink for her efforts with this event. She continues to be instrumental in assisting and being a liaison between the residents and the Monroe County Sheriff's Department.

Town Board Report:

Councilperson Guarino -advised of a request from The Millhouse Restaurant to begin to allow outdoor services once again as was provided last year. An Executive Order had been granted until October 31, 2020, and they hope to be able to serve the community once again this summer utilizing this same order.

Councilperson Zink – advised that the Neighborhood watch event had approximately 25-30 residents attend. Monroe County Sheriff Deputy Gerling did a fantastic job. They continue to advise that they want to hear from the residents how things are improving. Some residents requested a possible lowering of the speed limit. Other neighborhoods are interested in this same event for their area as well. The Comprehensive Plan Board has been working on the survey and it is almost ready to go. Suggestion was to track questions from the last survey that was done in our area which was from 2003. They would like to see if attitudes have changed towards certain ideas. The survey should be finalized in the next few weeks.

Councilperson Didas – wishes to thank Superintendent Viscardi and his crew for their diligence this past weekend with any concerns that came up due to the heavy amounts of rain we received.

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Assessor's Report: Liz Spencer advised that the state has sent out the STAR Exempt Report to the assessors and it seems to focus on STAR checks vs. STAR exemptions. She mentioned that the Enhanced STAR eligibility list of people who need to go back to Basic STAR effects approximately 20 residents. This is determined by the residents' income or location. The changes to Basic STAR involve anyone making more than 250k but less than 500k will no longer receive the exemption from their taxes, rather, they would receive a check. The benefit of switching to a check is the possibility the resident could receive a 2% increase included in the check. If you choose that route, you must claim it as income on your tax return. Liz is not certain this has been communicated to the residents who have been affected by the new changes to the policy. She will be communicating to those who have been. Supervisor Filipowicz will also add this information to the Spring Newsletter.

Highway Report: Superintendent Viscardi discussed some flooding issues from the past weekend on Gilmore Rd and a few other subdivisions due to the sever rainstorms. He found that trees were down and creeks had been clogged. The new brush bin policy and hours seem to be working well and we are collecting lots of brush at this time. The brush trailer that is rented out from the Highway Department has been rented 244 days since last Spring and is very popular. Superintendent Viscardi will advise the new tree prices from Sara's Farm Market as soon as he has them returned. He is also researching who comes to pick up tree trunks that are down in certain areas of the town that are too heavy for the residents to carry to the road.

Town Clerk Report: Susan Henshaw discussed that she has collected \$5.44 million in Town and County taxes, out of the \$5.78 million due. She is up to 50 lodge rentals for 2021, and have sold 414 Transfer Station permits to date.

Mobile DMV – Susan will be attending a news conference on Thursday April 15 in regards to the Mobile DMV returning to the westside, along with County Legislator Jackie Smith, Clarkson Town Supervisor Christa Filipowicz and Hamlin Town Clerk Patty Jo Groenendaal. She takes calls daily for this service and Jackie Smith is working diligently in hopes that it can return to Clarkson.

Rabies Clinic – has been moved up to Friday May 14, from 5:30p – 7:30p at the Hamlin Town Hall parking lot. This event will be a drive through, appointment only clinic similar to the one held in Clarkson this past October.

Shred Day – is set for Saturday June 5, from 10a – 12p at the Highway Department parking lot. Suburban Disposal will come out with their large Susan will be in contact with Superintendent Viscardi as to the exact location of the event.

RESOLUTION #92**ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF SUPERVISOR'S FINANCIAL REPORT**

Introduced by Councilperson Hoy

Seconded by Councilperson Guarino

To acknowledge receipt of the Supervisor's monthly financial report.

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYES: None

RESOLUTION #93**APPROVE MINUTES 3-23-2021**

Introduced by Councilperson Zink

Seconded by Councilperson Didas

To approve meeting minutes of 3-23-2021

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYES: None

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RESOLUTION #94
AUDIT 04-13-2021

Introduced by Councilperson Hoy

Seconded by Councilperson Guarino

To authorize payment of audit 4-13-2021 totaling \$32,945.21 AA General \$22,133.79, BB General- Outside Village \$2,025.07, DA Highway - Town Wide \$5,075.75, HH Capital Projects \$122.00, SL – Lighting \$3,588.60 and Distribution of checks: Trust and Agency #6169-6172, voided check 6173, Joint Checking #4060-4091.

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYES: None

NAYES: None

RESOLUTION #95
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Introduced by Councilperson Didas

Seconded by Councilperson Guarino

Motion to go into executive session at 6:32 pm to discuss a personal issue.

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION #96
OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Introduced by Councilperson Didas

Seconded by Councilperson Guarino

Motion to exit executive session at 7:16 pm

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYES: None

RESOLUTION #97
ADJOURN

Introduced by Councilperson Zink

Seconded by Councilperson Didas

To adjourn the meeting at 7:16pm

VOTE OF THE BOARD

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

NAYS: None

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Henshaw

Town Clerk

Approved 4-27-2021