

November 14, 2016

A regular meeting of the Village Board held on the above date was called to order at 7:00 p.m at the Village Hall, 1 West Main Street, Clifton Springs, NY 14432.

Presiding: Bill Hunter, Mayor

Board Members Present: Dan Blondell, Melissa Kumkey, Jeff Linsner

Board Members Absent: Earl Lincoln

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of October 10, 2016 were approved upon motion by Trustee Linsner 2nd by Trustee Kumkey. All members present voted AYE. Carried.

Vouchers: General, Water and Sewer Vouchers #415 through #529, were approved for payment by Trustee Blondell 2nd by Trustee Linsner. All members present voting AYE. Carried.

General Fund =	\$ 60,400.72
Water Fund =	\$ 24,654.65
Sewer Fund =	\$ 25,067.97

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR TO PERSONS ATTENDING THIS MEETING**

**Paul & Sandy Knipper, 43 Ladue Avenue, regarding Village installing a fence**

Paul & Sandy Knipper, 43 Ladue Avenue, appeared before the Board to discuss their concern with the Village installing a fence on the Village Barns – Sewer Plant property at 50 Ladue Avenue. The fence would face the Knipper’s on the south side.

Recently the Village had all the Village property at 50 and 52 Ladue Avenue surveyed for the purpose of annexation and solar array installation. When this was done it was discovered that the Knipper’s have encroached onto the Village property. Mayor Hunter stated that the Knippers have infringed onto the Village property and for both parties (Village and Knipper) the property line should be identified.

Discussion was held and the Board agreed to not install a fence at this time and instead plant a row of trees along the property line.

The Knippers were concerned that this discussion was not on the agenda. Mayor Hunter stated that the discussion on the fence was going to be held at the Board meeting on November 14, 2016. The Village was waiting on fence quotes and waiting on the survey, that would stake out the property line to the south. The survey was not supposed to be done until after November 14, 2016. The surveyor came earlier last week.

Mr. Knipper stated that they want to be good neighbors and they felt they should have been notified about the solar array project as well as the proposed fence. The Board explained that no property owner would need to notify the neighbor regarding a fence, provided the fence complied with the set back code. Mayor Hunter also explained that when Mr. Knipper brought to the Villages attention that solar panels had been placed onto his property (prior to installation) that the Village immediately moved the panels and the error on placing them there was on the part of the engineer.

Discussion was held on the fence and the Board agreed that at this time a fence would not be installed, but a row of trees will be planted in the spring of 2017 on the Village property line. The Village intends to put up trees that will start at around six foot tall about five feet apart.

Mr. Knipper asked if the survey stakes could be removed, the Board said no, the stakes are to stay in place.

The Knippers thanked the Board for not installing a fence.

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**CORRESPONDENCES:**

**Turnover of unpaid taxes**

A copy of the list of unpaid Village Taxes along with the sheet that shows the percentage (97%) paid. Motion was made by Trustee Kumkey 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Blondell to turn over the unpaid taxes.

RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Clifton Springs, NY, pursuant to local law 6-1977 of the County of Ontario, a local law to provide for the collection of delinquent village taxes by the County Treasurer and methods of payment of such village property taxes so collected and that the Village Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to transmit a detailed listing of unpaid village property taxes to the Treasurer of Ontario County, and that the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Clifton Springs NY respectfully requests that the Treasurer of Ontario County collect all unpaid village property taxes as provided for in local law number 6-1977 to the County of Ontario.

All members present voting AYE. Carried.

**Town of Hopewell fire contract**

A copy of the proposed Town of Hopewell fire contract.

The proposed contract is for 2017 and 2018. The contract increases by 1% each year. The Board found the contract acceptable and all members present signed the contract.

**Freight Rail Corridor – public hearing**

From the Ontario County Planning Board, notice of the public hearing on the Freight Rail Corridor on November 17, 2016 at 7pm at the Town of Manchester Hall.

Discussion was held wanting to make sure that the County had eliminated the Rodman vacant lot at 68 West Main Street. Trustee Blondell informed the Board that at the Village Planning Board meeting, Maria Rudsinski from the County Planning Department showed where this lot had been removed from the corridor.

**Town of Hopewell – proposed new zoning ordinance**

Information from the Town of Hopewell on a public hearing they will be holding to adopt a new zoning ordinance.

Reviewed.

**Planning Board minutes 10-12-2016**

Copy of the Planning Board minutes from October 12, 2016.

Reviewed.

**Zoning Board minutes 10-17-2016**

Copy of the Zoning Board minutes from October 17, 2016.

Reviewed.

**Planning and ZBA membership list**

An updated list of the Planning and Zoning Board members contact information.

Reviewed.

Information from YMCA Director Todd Freelove on a “Get the Wheels Turning”.

Reviewed. The Board would like additional information on cost and liability. Clerk Reals will ask Todd Freelove for more information.

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**Planning Board minutes 11-9-2016**

Planning Board meeting minutes from the meeting held on November 9, 2016, with information on the rail corridor.

Reviewed.

**STREET DEPARTMENT:** Trustee Kumkey reported the following:

**Possible part time employee**

Trustee Kumkey and Trustee Blondell discussed with the Board the possibility of posting for a 20 hour per week employee – year round. Discussion was held and if a part time person was hired the Village crew would be responsible for mowing at the cemetery. This would not be in addition to the part time person who works during the summer months. The current part time person would be asked if he is interested in working year round. Discussion was held on paying the person between \$12.00 per hour and \$14.00 per hour, with no other benefits (other than the current part time benefits). After the discussion the Board agreed to post for this position in January 2017 and have the person begin working in February 2017. This would be one person, not to exceed 20 hours per week, year round.

**SEWER DEPARTMENT:** Mayor Hunter had nothing to report.

**WATER DEPARTMENT:** Trustee Blondell reported the following:

**Miscellaneous**

A leak survey has been completed and went well. The Village repaired a leak on Stephens Street. A leak was detected on Pineview Lane. This is a long private water service line. The Village will send a letter to the owner, giving them a brief period to fix the leak. Due to the length of this private line, should this happen again, the Village will have the homeowner put in a meter pit. The crew is winding up new water meter installations for the fiscal year.

**ZONING & PLANNING DEPARTMENTS:** Trustee Blondell reported the following:

**Proposed new code**

Attorney Jeff Graff, Chair Folkins and Chair Amidon as well as the consultant, John Steinmetz are working on the concerns Attorney Graff had with the proposed code.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Trustee Linsner reported the following:

**Ladder truck**

The ladder truck is out for repairs to the swivel gears. The County is aware that the truck is out of service.

**PARK – YOUTH DEPARTMENT:** Mayor Hunter had nothing to report.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:** Trustee Lincoln was not present.

**MAYOR HUNTER REPORT:** Mayor Hunter reported the following:

**Court and Justice Fisher wage**

Mayor Hunter has spoke with several people and has agreed at this time to keep the Court in place. Acting Justice Fisher has asked for an additional \$700 for the additional cases he has had to hear. All members present were agreeable to the additional \$700 for a 2<sup>nd</sup> time.

**Village Clock**

Mayor Hunter would like the Board to consider electrifying the Village clock. All people present agreed to not have this discussion without Trustee Lincoln present. Clerk Reals was instructed by the Board to see if another person could come and look at the

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possibility of repairing the clock. Currently 3 out of 4 clock faces are working correctly, the chime is working, but not striking on the hour. The clock is from the early 1930's.

**Village Elections – “Citizens Committee”**

Discussion was held on the possibility of eliminating the Democratic and Republican parties and having a “Citizens Committee”. This is done in the Village of Victor. Clerk Reals was instructed to look further into this possibility.

Addendum: Clerk Reals looked into this and there was no advantage to changing to a Citizens Committee, so the Village will continue to hold elections by holding Democratic and Republican caucuses.

**CLERK REALS REPORT:** Clerk Reals provided the Board with the justice court report, copies of zoning violation letters, payroll worksheets, and year to date numbers thru October along with the bank statement for October.

**Village Election March 21, 2017**  
**ELECTION OF OFFICERS RESOLUTION**

Trustee Linsner offered the following resolution 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Kumkey who moved its adoption.

**WHEREAS**, the next regular Village Election for Officers will be held on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 (Election Law, Sec. 15-104, Sub 3 (a), and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees must designate by resolution and publish the offices which are to be filled in such election and the terms thereof.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees designates the following offices as vacant at the end of the current official year, April 3, 2017 to be filled at the Village Election to be held on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 for the following terms:

Justice – four (4) year term	(Incumbent Holly Adams)
Trustee – four (4) year term	(Incumbent Daniel Blondell)
Trustee – four (4) year term	(Incumbent Melissa Kumkey)

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

All members present voting AYE. Carried.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Transfer of Funds**

Motion was made by Trustee Linsner 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Blondell that Clerk Reals be and she is hereby authorized to transfer funds between the following appropriations as follows:

Increase A3410.4 by \$1,500 for the reimbursement received from the fire department for work done on the floors at the fire house.

All members present voting AYE. Carried.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion made by Trustee Linsner 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trustee Blondell to adjourn. All members present voting AYE. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori A. Reals  
Clerk/Treasurer