

April 07, 2021: Minutes

Body:

A joint town board meeting with the Towns of Clifton and Fine was held on Wednesday, April 7, 2021 at the Clifton-Fine Community Center in Star Lake . A quorum of both boards was present. The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance by Supervisor Hooven at 6:30 PM.

Board Members	Present	Absent	Late	Arrived
Fine Deputy Supervisor Jeremy Thompson	X			
Fine Councilman Philip Giardino	X			
Fine Councilman William Powers	X			
Fine Councilman Carlton Kerr	X			
Clifton Supervisor Charles Hooven	X			
Clifton Councilwoman Julie Lanphear	X			
Clifton Councilman Cory Perrault		X		
Clifton Councilman John Russell	X			
Clifton Councilwoman Mary Zuhlsdorf	X			

Other officials present: H. Dolan, N. Russell,

Guests: A. Hynes, H. Snider, C Schuyler, B. Blackmer, N. Curry, and J. Thompson.

Golf Course: The financials for the golf course are \$8,775.00 plus \$4,440.00 in the water fund as of 2/28/21.

Policy – 04/2021-56 Upon recommendation of the golf course committee, moved by J. Russell, seconded by C. Kerr the Policies and Procedures for the golf course was amended as presented.

Ayes: 8

Noes: 0

Carried.

Driving Range- Robert Streeter is still interested in taking care of the driving range, provided it is opened this year.

Contract – 04/2021-57 Upon recommendation of the golf course committee, moved by J. Thompson, seconded by J. Russell to authorize the Towns to enter into a contract with Robert Street for the operation of the driving range.

Ayes: 8

Noes: 0

Carried.

Operation- The dates of operation for the clubhouse and grounds keepers will be set by the committee, based on weather and course conditions.

Clubhouse – There have been no applications turned in yet for the clubhouse attendants, but there does seem to be some interest.

Kitchen – The committee has discussed leasing out the kitchen at the clubhouse but does not want to pursue it further until they know if both boards are in favor of it. They are not looking to make a huge profit but would like to be able to offer it out and cover expenses. Both boards were in favor of looking into the possibility of leasing the kitchen out.

School – The school golf team will be starting up soon. They will work with Gary to find out when it is ok to start using the course.

Equipment – Bill discussed how he thought the equipment at the golf course is in tough shape and maybe both boards should contribute money specifically for equipment at the golf course. This is something that can be discussed in the fall for next year. The golf course committee should work with Gary to come up with an equipment replacement plan.

IMA- 04/2021-58 Moved by J. Russell, seconded by W. Powers to adopt the Intermunicipal Agreement as amended.

Ayes: 8

Noes: 0

Carried.

Committee- The committee members for the Town of Clifton are John Russell and Bob LaTray. For Fine, they are Jeremy Thompson and Herb Snider.

Arena – The financials for the arena are \$32,333.95. Clifton has contributed their \$14,000 for 2021. There was a lengthy discussion on contributing to the arena and youth commission. Clifton board members view them as very different things and feel that the amount budgeted for the arena should go into the arena account, but that youth commission should only be paid at actual expenses. For clarification, the arena, the golf course, and youth commission are all joint project and have their own Annual Financial Reports submitted to the State.

Committee – The arena is looking for direction from the two town boards. Chuck would like to attend their next committee meeting, which will be on 5/11 at 6:00 PM at the arena.

Policies – There were no updates to the arena policies and procedures presented.

Community Center – The new deck is done and useable. The sign out front is starting to rot. Hope will get quotes to replace and report back to the boards. The contractor who worked on the community center is working on an estimate for the repairs due to the car accident last year. NYMIR has recommended installing a guiderail at the lower driveway. This could pose a problem with snow removal. Both boards considered the guiderail, but do not feel it is doable.

Youth Commission – Both boards agree that there should be a program this year. The committee will get together with the Youth Commission Director to plan something.

Dog Shelter – Clifton has authorized the signing of the Potsdam Human Society contract for dog sheltering and will sign it and forward it on to Fine for signature and payment. Each town pays \$900.

Adjourn – 04/2021-59 Moved by J. Russell, seconded by W. Powers the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Ayes: 8

Noes: 0

Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Hope M. Dolan, Town Clerk