

April 12, 2023: April 12, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes - Approved

Body:

TOWN OF CLIFTON

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

APRIL 12, 2023

6:30PM CRANBERRY LAKE

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Town of Clifton was called to order at 6:34pm by Supervisor C. Hooven.

Board Member	Present	Absent		Town Officials	Present	Absent
Supervisor Charles Hooven	X			Town Clerk, Karen Soltau	X	
Councilman Julie Lanphear	X			Deputy Clerk, Cynthia Whitmore	X	

Councilman Bill Griffin	X			Bookkeeper, Nancy Russell	X	
Councilman John Russell	X			Highway Superintendent, Kelly Smith	X	
Councilman Mary Zuhlsdorf	X			Code Enforcement Officer, Nick Snyder	X	
				Dog Control Officer, Ronda Williams		X

GUESTS: M. Leroux, L. Denesha, S. Griffin, D. Roberts, H. Baggs

READING OF THE MINUTES:

The Board, having received a copy of the minutes for review prior to the meeting, voted to read the minutes and approve the minutes as read with corrections, a motion to approve, J. Lanphear, second was made by J. Russell. Ayes = 5, Noes = 0, Absent = 0

Motion carried.

READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE JOINT BOARD MEETING – APRIL 5, 2023

The Board, having received a copy of the minutes for review prior to the meeting, voted to read the minutes and approve the minutes as read with corrections, a motion to approve was made by J. Lanphear with a second by W. Griffin. Ayes = 5, Noes = 0, Absent = 0. Motion carried.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING – APRIL 5, 2023,

The meeting was called to order at 7:15pm by Supervisor Hooven.

- Resolution #5-2023 – Bonds for Wastewater Treatment Plant
 - The board to authorize the Supervisor to issue its serial bonds or statutory installment bonds.
 - The board to authorize the Supervisor to sign necessary paperwork for the purposes of issuing the bonds.

§ A motion for the Supervisor to issue serial bonds or statutory installment bonds, and to sign necessary paperwork was made by J. Russell with a second by J. Lanphear. Ayes = 5, Noes = 0, Absent = 0. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm

PUBLIC COMMENT:

D. Roberts – Cranberry Lake Boat Club – Events taking place this summer

- Firecracker 5K – July 4th
- Members Banquet – July 8th
- Poker Paddle - July 22nd
- Community Picnic – July 29th
- Kayak/Canoe Race, August 12th

L. Denesha

- Resolution supporting a request for the City of Ogdensburg allowing taxation of NYS owned properties within the city. 50% of the property in the city is owned by NYS and they

pay absolutely no taxes. They won't sell it. St. Lawrence County believes that if they don't sell it, they should be paying taxes on it.

- Passed a resolution for the chairman to sign a contract with the American Recovery Act Funds for purpose of broadband development and installation projects.

- MAT - Medical Assisted Treatments, sheriff brought a resolution to increase the 2023 budget for the cost of incarcerated individuals. \$150,000 was budgeted last year. 116 incarcerated individuals, out of the 116, 60 are participating in the program.

- Matt Denner – Director/Fire Coordinator for St. Lawrence County has been conducting a survey with all the fire departments in the county. There are a couple of apps for dispatching fire/rescue calls, they are Active 911 and I am Responding, with the I am responding app, responders can reply directly to dispatch right on their phones. St., Lawrence County will be paying for this app.

- Received an email from Cory and Heather Hayes, regarding a resource officer at the school. Needs to be directed to the school board.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Discussion on new door at the Clifton Fine Community Center.
 - Motion to approve the purchase of an exterior door from Todd's Supply as quoted for \$571.80 was made by M. Zuhlsdorf with a second by J. Lanphear. Ayes = 5, Noes = 0, Absent = 0. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Light replacements for the Community Center – new bulbs have been ordered.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Res #6-2023 Justice Audit Resolution – motion to put out to roll call vote was made by J. Lanphear with a second by W. Griffin, Ayes = 5, Noes = 0, Absent = 0 Roll Call Vote – Hooven Y, Lanphear Y, Russell Y, Zuhlsdorf Y, Griffin Y. Motion carried.
- EDU reimbursement for water and sewer for Trembley property in Newton Falls – Was charged for full EDU, property was reassessed to a vacant lot. Motion to reimburse owner for ½ EDU was made by J. Russell with a second by J. Lanphear. Ayes = 5, Noes = 0, Absent = 0 Motion carried.
- Lawn Mowers – all set for the summer season
- Floor Cleaner – Floors in the Clifton Community Center are spotted and cannot be cleaned by just mopping. J. Lanphear will call to see if the company we had before will do them.
- Beach Sign Replacement – W. Griffin talked to J. Dragun about replacing the sign, he said he was waiting for approval. Approval granted.
- Air Conditioners for Clifton Community Center – Two air conditioners are old and insufficient. W. Griffin will look into this.
- The North Shore HUB in Cranberry Lake is asking for sponsors of 32x36 panels to be on display with historic images of the town. A motion to sponsor one of the panels for \$800.00 was made by J. Lanphear with a second by M. Zuhlsdorf, Ayes = 3, Noes = 1, Abstain = 1.

Motion carried.

HIGHWAY:

- Roadside Mowing Contract
 - A motion to sign the Roadside Mowing Contract was made by J. Russell with a 2nd by M. Zuhlsdorf. Ayes = 5, Noes = 0, Absent = 0. Motion carried.
- The new Peterbilt has been delivered but it is in Champlain to be looked at to make sure everything Viking put on it doesn't affect the warranty.
- Spring clean-up has started.

- Serviced the Infrared heat system, which is back-up heat. Since putting the new roof on the highway department, they have burnt ½ the wood as previous years. Discussion on other sources of heat.

CODE ENFORCEMENT:

- 4-5 Building Permits have been issued so far.
- Letters concerning excessive waste in people's yards have been sent.

DOG CONTROL:

- 15 dogs that we know need to have their licenses renewed. The Town Clerk has printed out letters to be mailed to dog owners about this issue. Waiting for the go ahead to mail from the DCO.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

- **Supervisor's report** – The board, having examined the report, a motion to approve the report was made by J. Lanphear, with a 2nd by M. Zuhlsdorf. Ayes all; motion carried.
- **Town Clerk's report** – The board examined the Town Clerk's report. A motion was made by J. Russell to approve the report with a 2nd by W. Griffin Ayes all; motion carried.
- **Audit of the bills:** The board audited the bills for payment. A motion to approve payment of the bills as audited was made by J. Russell with a 2nd by M. Zuhlsdorf, Ayes all, motion carried.

	AMOUNTS
GENERAL	\$22,569.95
HIGHWAY	\$195,187.46
CAPITAL PROJECT NFSD DISINFECTING	\$3,094.50
CF ARENA	\$13,810.35
NEWTON FALLS SEWER DISTRICT	\$2,602.73
NEWTON FALLS WATER DISTRICT	\$265.19

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn at 7:25 was made by J. Russell and seconded by J. Lanphear. Ayes all; adjourned.

The next Town Board meeting will be a Regular meeting on May 10, 2023 in Cranberry Lake, at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted.

Karen Soltau

Karen Soltau, Town Clerk