

**TOWN OF CLAVERACK**  
**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**

**August 10, 2009**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Claverack, Columbia County, New York, was held at the Town Hall, Rte. #217, Mellenville, New York. Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor James W. Keegan, who led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present:

James W. Keegan	Supervisor
James Van Deusen	Councilman
William L. Blaauw	Councilman
Clifford Weigelt	Councilman
Robert Fitzsimmons, Esq.	Attorney for Town
Mary J. Hoose	Town Clerk

Absent:

Michael Johnston	Councilman
Louis LaMont	Superintendent of Highways

Motion by Councilman Van Deusen, seconded by Councilman Weigelt to accept minutes of previous meeting of July 13, 2009. Carried.

Meeting opened to public:

**Bill Van Deusen and Tom Delamater-** Presented petition dealing with Perry, Hover and Bryant Roads and South Drive, all in the Duntz's Acres development. Requested speed limit signs, "Local Traffic Only" signs, "Children at Play" signs and STOP signs at Perry Road and Hover Road. Increased traffic and speeding in the development. New families, with children, now residing there.

Also, Mr. Delamater stated there is a problem with drainage on Perry Road, which had storm drain work and paving about ten years ago. This will be brought to Superintendent of Highway's attention.

“STOP” sign can be installed by resolution. Motion by Councilman Weigelt, seconded by Councilman Blaauw to approve STOP sign installation at intersection of Bryant and Perry Roads and also Perry and Hover Roads. Carried.

Motion by Councilman Van Deusen, seconded by Councilman Blaauw for resolution requesting 30 mph speed limit in Duntz’s Acre Development. Carried.

Also, someone is going through recyclables at night when they are put out for collection the following morning. Resident Deputy for the Town, Michael Merante, was present at the meeting and will patrol area.

No further comments.

**Report of Highway Superintendent** - In absence of Superintendent Louis LaMont, Councilman Blaauw made a motion to go out for bid for extension of removal of broken and hanging tree limbs on Town roads from December 2008 storm. Seconded by Councilman Weigelt. Carried.

Brought to Board’s attention that Town has 35 miles of unpaved roads and Highway Department should be commended on long hours of work and fine job during storms.

Letter received requesting Town relinquish Angus Lane. Would no longer be Town responsibility. Attorney Fitzsimmons will handle this.

No further report.

Building Inspector’s Report for July not received.

Dog Control Officer’s Report for July received and on file in Town Office for review.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Traffic Safety – Councilman Van Deusen** – Discussion on speed reduction from Bells Pond in the Town of Greenport to the traffic light at intersection of Routes #23 and #9-H in the Town of Claverack. Tabled for further discussion

**ZBA** – Meeting this Thursday. Consultant coming to assist with Design Standards.

**Grant Resource** - No answer back from Grant Writers as yet.

No further reports.

Motion by Councilman Blaauw, seconded by Councilman Van Deusen to accept Preliminary Financial Report to July 31, 2009. Carried.

Reported Dr. O'Leary from Department of Human Services was unable to attend tonight's meeting due to illness. Supervisor Keegan will contact him and ask him to come to September's meeting.

After short discussion, due to holiday in October and also presenting of the Tentative Budget to the Board, motion by Councilman Blaauw, seconded by Councilman Weigelt to set Regular Monthly Meeting for Monday, October 5, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. Carried.

### CORRESPONDENCE

Marcus Molinaro – On stimulus program. Will try and get him to attend a meeting .

Columbia County Youth Bureau – No citations – High rating on Town Park.

Winfield Hotaling – Letter of Resignation from Comprehensive Plan Review Committee – Motion by Councilman Van Deusen, seconded by Councilman Blaauw to accept resignation. Carried.

RFP on Claverack School – Will try and get it in the newspaper pared down.

Claverack Post Office – U.S. Postal Service is not accepting relocation of any more post offices at this time.

Nancy Zimplear was at Columbia/Greene Community College. Will be going to visit campuses across the State.

Attorney Fitzsimmons read letter from the law office of Rapport, Meyers, Whitbeck, Shaw & Rodenhausen, LLP, representing Angus Farm, LLC. Managing member, Kim Tabet, owns all of the land surrounding Angus Lane and it does not provide access to or abut any other land owners' property. Request to discontinue Angus Lane. Will e-mail for Superintendent of Highways judgment on abandoning of this road.

No further correspondence.

Motion by Councilman Blaauw, seconded by Councilman Weigelt to send letter of appreciation to A.B. Shaw for putting on Firemen's Convention. Carried.

General A Fund bills, totaling \$58,902.88, were audited and ordered paid from their accounts.

General B Fund bills, totaling \$1,406.12, were audited and ordered paid from their accounts.

Highway DB Fund bills, totaling \$29,525.71, were audited and ordered paid from their accounts.

Water A Fund bills, totaling \$3,001.48, were audited and ordered paid from the account.

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, on motion by Councilman Blaauw, seconded by Councilman Weigelt, meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Supervisor:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Councilman Van Deusen:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Councilman Blaauw:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Councilman Weigelt:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Town Clerk:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOWN OF CLAVERACK****Resolution No. - #43****DUNTZ'S ACRES REQUEST****FOR SPEED REDUCTION****August 10, 2009**

At the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Claverack, Columbia County, New York, the following Resolution was proposed and seconded:

**Resolution by: James Van Deusen ;**  
**Seconded by: William L. Blaauw ;**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Board of the Town of Claverack that the following request be taken into consideration:

The speed limit in the Duntz's Acres Development off State Route #23, one mile east of the Rte. #23 and 9-H intersection be reduced to 30 mph. Residents are concerned about safety in the area due to the present speed limit and the increased traffic and speeding. Many new families with children now reside there.

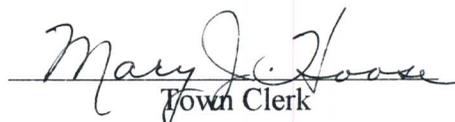
The following Board members voted "Aye" in favor of said Resolution:

James W. Keegan  
 James Van Deusen  
 William L. Blaauw  
 Clifford Weigelt

The following Board members voted "No" in opposition to said Resolution:

"None"

The Resolution having been approved by a majority of the Board, the same was duly declared adopted by the Supervisor.

  
 Town Clerk

**TOWN OF CLAVERACK**

**Resolution No. - #44**

**STOP SIGNS – DUNTZ’S ACRES**

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**Resolution by: Clifford Weigelt ;**

**Seconded by: William L. Blaauw ;**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Board of the Town of Claverack that:

“STOP” signs be placed at the intersection of Bryant and Perry Roads and also Perry and Hover Roads in Duntz’s Acres development.

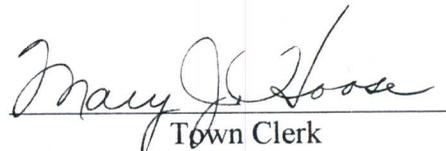
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- James W. Keegan
- James Van Deusen
- William L. Blaauw
- Clifford Weigelt

The following Board members voted “No” in opposition to said Resolution:

“None”

The Resolution having been approved by a majority of then Board, the same was duly declared adopted by the Supervisor.

  
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