

TOWN OF CLAVERACK
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

October 10.2005

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Claverack, Columbia County, New York, was held at the Town Hall, Route #217, Mellenville, New York. Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor James W. Keegan, who led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Motion by Councilman Van Deusen, seconded by Councilman Blaauw to accept minutes of previous meeting of Monday, September 12, 2005.

Meeting opened to public:

Chris Post - Introduced **Don Meltz**, consultant for Community Planning & Environmental Associates. Presented slide program on GIS (Geographic Information System), which will be used for Comprehensive Plan. DEM (Digital Elevation Model) is a topographical map used and is a way to visualize and analyze. Base map was a 1998 County Map. Using the DEM, heights, watersheds, flood hazards, soils, property class, tax parcel boundaries, existing residential uses can be identified. It is useful in identifying build-able lots, environmental constraints, develop-able areas, and potential new residential uses.

Federal, State and local government agencies also helpful with information. Would also like to use New York State Data Sharing Cooperative. Motion by Councilman Van Deusen, seconded by Councilman Blaauw to apply to the Data Sharing Cooperative, after approval from the Comprehensive Plan Committee. Carried.

The Comprehensive Plan Committee will need a copy of the resolution when Town applied to Greenway and a copy of the new resolution, authorizing the Committee to complete and file a Greenway Communities Grant Application in the amount of \$10,000.00. Motion by Councilman Weigelt, seconded by Councilwoman Twaddle authorizing new resolution. Carried.

Ian Nitschke - The Filli's have signed a long-term contract to keep post office at present location. Board is not aware of this and Supervisor Keegan stated that as of his

last conversation with U. S. Postal Service representative, the process for the new post office will be carried out, although there is a temporary hold due to Hurricane Katrina.

Mr. Nitschke also questioned progress with dealing with Hudson City School District Board, regarding sale of Claverack School building. Supervisor Keegan spoke with president of School Board and it will be approximately one year before any decision is made.

No further comments.

Report of Highway Superintendent - Louis LaMont - Completed trueing up Schoolhouse Road and the intersection of Valley Lane with blacktop. Cut shoulders and cleaned ditches on Dunbar Road and repaired broken edges. Replaced six culvert pipes on Van Deusen Road and have to do some grading to get ready for paving. Paved Rusty's Road, Pine Drive and Green Acres Road. Striped Gahbauer, Stottville, Stevers Crossing and Schoolhouse Roads and ½ of Millbrook Road.

Town Park facilities closed for season,

Beginning to haul road sand for winter season.

Requested permission to put out for bids for a new stainless steel sander and new 2006 Pickup truck with plow. Motion by Councilman Weigelt, seconded by Councilwoman Twaddle to authorize same. Carried.

Color samples of bricks for pump house shown.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Park Commission - Councilwoman Twaddle - Commission met on September 15, 2005. Park facilities closed until May 1, 2006, except for Annual Easter Egg Hunt. Playground and walking track still open. Commission discussed Skateboard Park - \$25,000.00 to get project started. Also discussed new restrooms and concession stand for Little League. Will be installing ice rink before real cold weather.

ZBA and Planning Boards - Councilman Weigelt - Met with Mike Brandon, chairman of Zoning Board and will be meeting with Planning Board Chairman Jay Brousseau next month. Hope to set up joint meeting between both boards for open discussion.

No further reports.

Building Inspector's Report for September received and on file in Town Office for review.

Dog Control Officer's Report for September received and on file in Town Office for review.

Deadline for accepting applications for Planning, ZBA and Comprehensive Plan Committee secretary's positions is October 14, 2005.

Councilwoman/Budget Officer Twaddle explained necessary adjustments to 2005 Budget. Motion by Councilman Van Deusen, seconded by Councilman Blaauw for resolution authorizing same. Carried.

Motion by Councilwoman Twaddle, seconded by Councilman Weigelt to accept Financial Report for August 2005, as prepared by Town Accountants.

After short discussion, motion by Councilman Blaauw, seconded by Councilman Van Deusen for resolution changing mileage for Town employees using personal vehicles for official Town business from \$0.40.5 cents per mile to \$0.48.5 cents per mile, effective September 01, 2005 through December 31, 2005. Carried.

Motion by Councilman Weigelt, seconded by Councilman Van Deusen to accept Tentative Budget for 2006 as Preliminary Budget for 2006. Carried.

Motion by Councilman Van Deusen, seconded by Councilman Blaauw to hold Public Hearing on Preliminary Budget on Monday, November 14, 2005, 7:00 p.m. with Regular Monthly Meeting to follow. Carried.

Correspondence received from Richard Cross regarding Town Park and suggestions for adjusting recreation fees for additional funds for the Park.

Motion by Councilman Weigelt, seconded by Councilman Blaauw to go into Executive Session at 8:30 p.m, to discuss personnel. Carried.

Motion by Councilman Blaauw, seconded by Councilwoman Twaddle to go out of Executive Session at 9:25 p.m. Carried.

Bills #487- #522, totaling \$33,391.21, were audited and ordered paid from their accounts.

Highway bills #256- #286, totaling \$30,443.20 were audited and ordered paid from their accounts.

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, on motion by Councilman van Deusen, seconded by Councilman Blaauw, meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m. after a moment of silence in memory of Peter Hotaling, a member of the Planning Board and Town Representative to Columbia County Empire Zone Administrative Board.

Date: _____

Supervisor: _____

Councilwoman Twaddle: _____

Councilman Van Deusen: _____

Councilman Blaauw: _____

Councilman Weigelt: _____

Town Clerk: _____

IN MEMORY OF
PETER HOTALING
PLANNING BOARD MEMBER
AND
TOWN OF CLAVERACK
REPRESENTATIVE TO
COLUMBIA COUNTY EMPIRE ZONE
ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

TOWN OF CLAVERACK

Resolution No. - #46

October 10, 2005

At the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Claverack, Columbia County, New York, duly called and held on the 10th day of October, 2005 at the Town Hall, Rte. #217, Mellenville, New York, the following resolution was proposed and seconded:

Resolution by: Clifford Weigelt :

Seconded by: Anne Twaddle :

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

The Comprehensive Plan Committee of the Town of Claverack be authorized to complete and file a Greenway Communities Grant Application in the amount of \$10,000.

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

James W. Keegan
Anne Twaddle
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. - #47

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Resolution by: James Van Deusen :

Seconded by: William Blaauw :

BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of Claverack that the following necessary adjustments be made to the 2005 Budget:

General Fund A Accounts

Transfer from:		
	A7140.1 - Playgrounds - P.S.	\$ 3,454.80
Transfer to:		
	A7310.4 - Youth Program - Cont. Exp.	\$ 3,454.80

General Fund B Accounts

Transfer from:		
	B8010.2 - Zoning - Equipment	\$ 1,000.00
Transfer to:		
	B8020.4 - Planning - Cont. Exp.	\$ 1,000.00

General Fund B Account Adjustment

<u>Increase Revenues 2005 Budget:</u>		
	B1120 - Non-property Distribution	\$20,000.00
<u>Increase Appropriations 2005 Budget:</u>		
	B8990.4 - Comprehensive Plan Community Service	\$20,000.00

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

James Keegan
Anne Twaddle
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.

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Resolution No. - #48

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Resolution by: _____ **William Blaauw** _____ **:**

Seconded by: _____ **James Van Deusen** _____ **:**

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

Mileage for Town officials, when using personal vehicles for official Town business, be increased from \$40.5 cents to \$48.5 cents, effective September 01, 2005 through December 31, 2005. This follows the Federal guidelines for reimbursement.

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

James Keegan
Anne Twaddle
James Van Deusen
William 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. - #49

October 10, 2005

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Resolution by: Clifford Weigelt :

Seconded by: Anne Twaddle :

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

The Superintendent of Highways, Louis LaMont, be given authorization to go out for bid for a new 2006 pick-up truck and a stainless steel sander.

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

James Keegan
Anne Twaddle
James van Deusen
William 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