

TOWN OF CLAVERACK

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

September 10, 2007

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Claverack, Columbia County, New York, was held at the Town Hall, Rt. #217, Mellenville, New York. Meeting called to order 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
Michael Johnston	Councilman
Louis LaMont	Superintendent of Highways
Robert Fitzsimmons, Esq.	Town Attorney
Mary J. Hoose	Town Clerk

Motion by Councilman Van Deusen, seconded by Councilman Blaauw to accept minutes of previous meeting of August 13, 2007, after correction. Carried. On page #137, in paragraph of Jim Nielsen, it should have been “replace or repair bridge” instead of “close bridge”.

Report of Highway Superintendent – Louis LaMont – Replacing road signs in all zones – still waiting for some not yet made. Completed ditching on Palmer Road and installed six (6) new culvert pipes to prepare for paving – Ditching on Manor Rock Road and changed two (2) culvert pipes to prepare for paving – Cleaning ditches on Palmer Road Extension and Snydertown Road – Mowing roadsides in all zones –Grading dirt roads in all zones. Marty Schumann, employee of Highway Department, keeping Town Parks mowed and trimmed. Highway Employee Handbooks handed out.

Meeting opened to public:

Discussion on bridge on County Route #16 and when it is going to be fixed. Will be meeting with County officials and engineer shortly to inspect and discuss remedies.

Mrs.D'Amico – Off State Route #23 and Snyderstown Road – Emphasized safety issue – Heavy equipment traveling over road in this area.

Jim Nielsen– Complaint on County Route #16, from Churchtown side – like a washboard – speed limit 40 mph.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Park – Councilman Johnston – Letter of Resignation and thanks for 13 years of help and support, from Joe Raco, Summer Program Youth Director. Motion by Councilman Johnston, seconded by Councilman Van Deusen to accept resignation with regrets, with letter to be written by Town Clerk. Carried.

No further reports.

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

Comprehensive Plan Report – New version will be available this week. Public Hearing will be held on Thursday, September 27, 2007, 7:00 p.m., at the Churchtown Firehouse.

Request for a resolution allowing Town Court to apply for grant from New York State Justice Court Assistance Program. Motion by Councilman Weigelt, seconded by Councilman Blaauw, authorizing same. Carried.

Motion by Councilman Van Deusen, seconded by Councilman Johnston to accept Financial Report for July 2007, as prepared by Town Accountants. Carried.

Letter received from City of Hudson, stating disconnection of service on September 28, 2007 from Hudson water supply for two residences.

Application received from Richard Howard, representing Philmont/Mellenville Fire Companies. Will be having hayrides on October 29 and 30, 2007, from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. at the Town Park.

Letter from National Grid, informing Town they have merged with KeySpan.

Skateboard Park Report – Councilman Johnston – Made calendar of events for project – Has applied for four grants – size will be approximately 100' x 80'. Motion by Councilman Van Deusen, seconded by Councilman Weigelt to go forward with calendar. Carried.

Councilman Blaauw stated he will be advertising for security systems for all three Town facilities.

Brought to Board's attention that Dog Control Officer willing to do dog census one area at a time. Tabled until next meeting.

Mr. Friedrich asked if there was any way Thielman Road Extension bridge could be opened to let water out to prevent flooding. Town will look into this with County engineers.

General Fund A bills #424 - #457, totaling \$40,538.57, were audited and ordered paid from their accounts.

General Fund B bills #122 - #126, totaling \$308.13, were audited and ordered paid from their accounts.

Highway bills #205 - #227, totaling \$18,637.91, were audited and ordered paid from their accounts.

Water District #1 bills #51 - #57, totaling \$5,462.03, were audited and ordered paid from the account.

Stewardship at Millbrook Road bill in the amount of \$30.00, was audited and ordered paid from the account.

Catskill View bills in the amount of \$525.00, 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 Van Deusen, meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Date: _____

Supervisor: _____

Councilman Van Deusen: _____

Councilman Blaauw: _____

Councilman Weigelt: _____

Councilman Johnston: _____

Town Clerk _____

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Resolution No. - #37

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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: Clifford Weigelt ;
Seconded by: William L. Blaauw ;

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

The Town Court of the Town of Claverack be authorized to complete and file a New York State Justice Court Assistance Program Grant Application.

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

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

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