CLINTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2015, 6:30 P.M.
SELECTMEN'S ROOM, TOWN OFFICE

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Towne called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chairman Towne led the Pledge of Allegiance.

SELECTMEN PRESENT/QUORUM: Chairman Jeffrey Towne, Vice Chairman Geraldine Dixon, Selectmen Ed Blanchard, Randy Clark, and Ronnie Irving. Also present Interim Town Manager Pamela Violette.

PLANNING BOARD – WARRANT ARTICLE

The Planning Board submitted a request to the Board of Selectmen for a warrant article to be included in the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

The Article reads: "To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Clinton Land Use Ordinance enacted in 1992 by revision of Section 3 Land Use Tables on page 3.3, column 2; to delete "N' and insert "Y*" with regard to the use of gasoline stations in the Industrial Commercial Zone upon site plan review approval by the Planning Board.

2015-2016 BUDGET

The Board of Selectmen reviewed a draft copy of the Annual Town Warrant and discussed warrant articles. The following was addressed:

Article 3 Administration – Selectman Dixon said she is opposed to the raises recommended by the Budget Committee as it is a lot of money and is concerned about increasing the mil rate. Selectman Dixon also said the Fire Department is underpaid and they should receive a $2.00 per hour increase. It was the consensus of the Board to recommend the amount of $265,232; includes an increase of $100.00 for memberships.

Article 5 Assessor/Code Enforcement Officer – Selectman Clark moved to include $3,878 for flex time hours, second by Selectman Dixon. Vote 3-2 (Selectman Blanchard and Selectman Irving Opposed)

Article 8 Police Department – The Budget Committee recommended an increase as recommended in the 2014/2015 Budget Report for the full time police officers and the salary survey for the police chief. After discussion Selectman Clark moved to approve a 1% increase in the fulltime line, second by Selectman Dixon. Vote 5-0

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Article 10 Animal Control: Selectman Irving moved to increase the appropriation to $13,000 to add funding to travel, second by Selectman Clark, vote 5-0

Article 11 Highway Department – Selectman Clark moved to appropriate $386,292 for the Highway Department, second by Selectman Dixon. Vote 3-2 (Selectman Blanchard and Selectman Irving Opposed)

Article 12 Transfer Station – A $20.00 adjustment was made to the full time wage line.

Article 24 to read "To see if the Town will vote to collect and expend the sum of $1,353,387 in anticipated revenues to reduce the amount to be raised by taxation.

The topic of a truck for the Highway Department was discussed and there were many suggestions but no decisions made.

NEW BUSINESS:

Selectman Irving said he met with Highway Foreman Pierce and reviewed the reclaiming specs. Selectman Irving said the original plan for reclaiming should be used.

Selectman Blanchard reported he talked with Ralph Shorey concerning the statue at Greenlaw Cemetery; Mr. Shorey said the repairs could be done.

ADJOURN: Selectman Irving moved to adjourn at 8:35 p.m.; second by Selectman Dixon. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela M Violette

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Town Clerk