

**CLINTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2011
6:30 P.M.
SELECTMEN'S ROOM, TOWN OFFICE**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Towne called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

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

SELECTMEN PRESENT / QUORUM: Chairman Jeff Towne, Vice Chairman David Watson II, Geraldine Dixon, Edward Blanchard, Ronnie Irving. Also present Town Manager Aaron Chrostowsky and Deputy Town Clerk Melody Fitzpatrick.

ACTION ITEMS:

Approval of Selectmen's Minutes – November 22, 2011.

Selectman Dixon moved the Board approve the minutes of the November 22, 2011 meeting, second by Selectman Irving. Vote 5-0 Approved.

Consider accepting the Clinton Historical Society gift of a replacement Boston Post Cane to the Town.

Buddy Frost from the Clinton Historical Society donated the Boston Cane to the Town of Clinton. The Historical Society would like to donate the Boston Cane that Dave Woodard purchased to the Clinton Museum.

Selectman Dixon moved the Board to accept the Clinton Historical Society gift of a replacement Boston Post Cane to the Town, second by Selectman Watson. Vote 5-0 Approved.

PUBLIC HEARING: ADOPTION OF PLANNING BOARD'S PROPOSED CHANGES TO LAND USE PERMIT FEE.

Selectman Watson moved the Board to open public hearing at 6:40 p.m., second by Selectman Dixon. Vote 5-0 Approved.

No questions or comments from the Public.

Selectman Watson moved the Board to close public hearing at 6:44 p.m., second by Selectman Dixon. Vote 5-0 Approved.

Consider adopting Planning Board's Proposed Changes to Land-Use Permit Fees.

The Board of Selectman will re-visit the proposed changes at the next Selectman's Meeting, December 27, 2011.

Consider approving a Solid Waste Disposal Agreement with Waste Management for Construction Debris and Bulky Waste

Selectman Watson moved the Board to approve Solid Waste Disposal Agreement with Waste Management for disposal of Construction Debris and Bulky Waste with revisions: page 2 (Compensation – a. (For the period December 1, 2011 through November 30, ~~2012~~ should read 2014. Page 4 (Notice – Town of Clinton- should read Town of Clinton/Benton) Page 5 (Effective Date- This contract shall become effective December 1, ~~2012~~ should read December 1, 2011), second by Selectman Dixon. Vote 5-0 Approved.

Review and comment on Draft Annual Financial Statements and Accompanying Independent Auditor's Report for Year end June 30, 2011.

Town Manager Aaron Chrostowsky told the Board of Selectman he would have a report for them at the next meeting.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Discuss the sale of Downtown Parcel on Route 100/Main Street (Map 17, Lot 83).

The Board of Selectman agreed to sell the parcel of land on Route 100/Main Street (Map17, Lot 83). Town Manager Aaron Chrostowsky will submit a proposed advertisement for the parcel to the Board of Selectman at the next meeting.

Discuss FY 12-13 Operating and Capital Budgets.

Town Manager Aaron Chrostowsky provided the Board of Selectman with a schedule for Budget Review Meetings.

SUPPLEMENTS AND ABATEMENTS: None

TOWN MANAGER REPORT: (Written report provided by Town Manager Aaron Chrostowsky)

Library Project

The Library Project is moving ahead on schedule on budget. They have completed the bracing in the attic. They have built the new fire wall in the furnace room. They have begun making improvements to the roof. The electrician has almost completed his work. The plaster repair expert completed the stack room and will begin repairing the walls and ceilings in the children's room, entryway, and bathroom. The inmates moved the books from the basement to the stack room and assisted the Town staff with cleaning. For the next two weeks the library will be closed during that time, the library staff will be shelving books cleaning the basement.

Ice Rink at Old Mill Park

The Park and Recreation has purchased a new portable ice rink to be placed on the patio at Old Mill Park during the winter. The Parks and Recreation Board Rink setup the ice rink on Saturday December 3rd, 2011. There was some concern whether the ice rink would damage the bricks but after speaking with both the ice rink manufacturer and the engineer who designed the patio. They both agreed there would be no problems. The Parks and Recreation Board will be responsible for the maintenance of the rink. The Parks and Recreation Board would like to thank the Water District for there assistance in the flooding of the rink and with the donation of water.

Old Mill Park Improvements

Parks and Recreation Board will hold a public hearing on Wednesday December 14, 2011 at 6:00 PM to discuss applying for a Community Development Block Grant program funds for a Community Enterprise Grant for streetscape and park improvements at Old Mill Park in Downtown Clinton. The following items are proposed to be submitted under this grant: sidewalks, on-street parking, wood fencing, benches, picnic tables, planters, lighting, landscaping and gateway signage.

Brooks Residence Re: Malfunctioning Septic System

The State Plumbing Inspector has stepped in to help the Town in this case. They still have asked that the local plumbing inspector (LPI) to resolve the matter by having the tank pumped out and fill the tank with gravel. Mr. Brooks can't afford to have the tank pumped out and the tank filled with gravel. Mr. Brooks has allowed the Town to enter his property to pump out the tank and fill the tank with gravel. Art Thompson, LPI is working on a consent agreement for Mr. Brooks to sign and Carroll Weeks, AACE Officer will be working on the paperwork for a special assessment.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Selectman Irving asked Town Manager Aaron Chrostowsky if the Highway Department has cut any brush this fall. Selectman Irving said the Horseback Road needs to be cut, and if Clayton will not cut the brush he would.

WARRANT:

Selectman Watson moved to approve Treasurer's Warrant #36, in the amount of \$199,095.71, second by Selectman Dixon. Vote 5-0 Approved.

NEXT AGENDA ITEMS:

Advertisement for Main Street Property
Land-Use permit fee schedule for final approval
Operating and Capital Budgets
Auditor's Report

COMMENTS / QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC CONCERNING MATTERS NOT RELATED TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

Parks and Recreation Chairman Willie Mooney informed the Board of Selectman that the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Grand Opening of the Ice Rink will be January 7, 2012 at noon. They will have a bon fire and other activities; he has invited the Board of Selectman to be present for the ceremony. Mr. Mooney said he will have a sign installed for the skating hours at the Ice Rink by the Grand Opening.

ADJOURN: Selectman Dixon moved the Board to adjourn at 8:24 p.m., second by Selectman Watson. Vote 5-0 Approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melody R. Fitzpatrick
Deputy Town Clerk