



## Town of Clinton Selectmen's Meeting Minutes April 23, 2024

- 1. Call to Order:** 6:30pm Chairman Towne called the meeting to order.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance:** Chairman Towne opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America
- 3. Selectmen Present/Quorum:** Chairman Jeffrey Towne, Vice Chairman Stephen Hatch, Brian Bickford, Ronnie Irving, and Michael Hachey.
- 4. Action Items:**  
Approve meeting minutes from April 9, 2024  
Motion to approve by Selectman Irving  
Seconded by Selectman Hachey  
Carried 5-0

**Next Item-** DOT Overlimit Permit

Selectman Irving would like to know which roads recommend a permit.

TM Swain said it came with a bond package.

Chairman Towne said he would have a problem with them using the Tardiff Road with overweight limits.

This was tabled until the next meeting.

**Next Item-** Fire House Subs Grant

Chief Leary talked about the Fire Department receiving a grant for \$24,353.25.

They will be purchasing more extrication gear. He said this is a no match grant.

Motion to accept by Selectman Hachey

Seconded by Selectman Bickford

Carried 5-0

**Next Item-** Police Department Contract, July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025

Motion to execute collective bargaining agreement by Selectman Irving

Seconded by Selectman Hachey

Carried 5-0

The Board signed the contract.

**Next Item-** Rescue Vehicle Funding  
Sugarloaf Ambulance  
Autotronics LLC  
Allegiant  
Androscoggin Bank

Selectman Irving asked if any of them had lease programs.  
Chief Leary said they do, but we're better off going on our own for a better interest rate.

Sugarloaf will be about 3 years, Allegiant and Autotronics will be about a year.  
Chief said he would like to go with Autotronics because they are right in Bangor,  
Allegiant is in Massachusetts.  
Chairman Towne asked if we would have time for one more town vote to add more  
money into the reserve account.  
Chief said yes, it would be here during the summer of 2025.

Motion to approve Chief Leary to work with Autotronics by Selectman Irving  
Seconded by Selectman Bickford  
Carried 5-0

**5. Discussion Items:**

**6. Town Manager's Report-**

Selectman Hachey asked what was going on with Garrett, the Code Enforcement Officer.  
He said they agreed to increase his budget, and now he's leaving.

Garrett got up to speak. He explained the reasons why he is leaving the Town of Clinton.  
He is moving on to the Town of Winslow.

TM Swain said he will step in as interim code enforcement officer until we hire someone.  
He has someone lined up that will help with plumbing inspections for the time being.

Motion to approve TM Swain to be interim code enforcement officer by Selectman  
Hachey  
Seconded by Selectman Hatch  
Carried 5-0

The new police officer, Julian LaMontagne has started working along side Officer  
Chouinard and Officer Smith.  
We received a \$16,000 check from The City of Waterville for the reimbursement of  
Officer James Leathers.

TM would like the money to go in a special reserve account.  
The Board would like the money to go back into the operating budget where we spent  
that money to send him to the academy.

The town office was power washed.

**7. Next Meeting-** May 14, 2024

DOT Permit  
Autotronics contract  
Code Enforcement position  
Culvert on the Horseback Road

**8. Treasurer's Warrant-** #29 \$122,861.52

Motion to approve by Selectman Bickford  
Seconded by Selectman Hachey  
Carried 5-0

**9. Questions or Comments from the public-**

Ken Paul talks about the walking trail behind the school. They are trying to raise \$30,000 to repair the trail. They have \$2,500 so far.

June 1<sup>st</sup> at the fairgrounds they are having a cornhole tournament, the Mason's are going to match what they raise.

He asked what the alcohol policy is- they are wondering if they could have it as BYOB for one day, they think this will bring in a lot of people.

The Board is concerned about it being public drinking.

Ken said he has not asked the Lions Club yet.

TM Swain said he is pretty sure the Lions Club will be against it.

Ken said that he was told the Board of Selectmen said no to the beer tent at the fair in the past, not the Lions Club.

The Board said they never voted on that.

There should be more information for the next meeting.

Terry Knowles asked if they had received their invitations to the school reception, and wanted to know if anyone would be attending.

TM Swain said he would be there, and Selectman Irving said he would try to make it.

**10. Adjourn:**

Motion to adjourn by Selectman Hachey

Seconded by Selectman Irving

Carried 5-0

Adjourned at 7:55pm

Respectfully submitted,

*Jessica Harriman*

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Town Clerk