

October 13, 2021: Minutes

Body:

TOWN OF CLIFTON

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

OCTOBER 13, 2021

6:30PM CRANBERRY LAKE

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Town of Clifton was called to order at 6:32pm by Supervisor C Hooven.

Board Member	Present	Absent	Town Officials	Present	Absent
Supervisor Charles Hooven	X		Town Clerk, Karen Soltau	X	
Councilman Julie Lanphear	X		Deputy Clerk, Cynthia Whitmore	X	
Councilman Cory Perrault		X	Bookkeeper, Nancy Russell	X	
Councilman John Russell	X		Highway Superintendent, Kelly Smith	X	
Councilman Mary Zuhlsdorf	X		Code Enforcement Officer, Herb Snider		X
			Dog Control Officer, Ronda Williams		X

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M. Zimmer, N. Nolan, W. Griffin, S. Griffin, B. Blackmer, R. Rusaw, D. Norman, J. Perrault

READING OF THE MINUTES:

The Board, having received a copy of the minutes for review prior to the meeting, voted not to read the minutes and approve the minutes as is with any corrections, motion to approve

by J. Lanphear with a second made by M. Zuhlsdorf. Ayes = 4, Noes = 0, Absent =1, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

S. Griffin:

- Gave a report on the budget for the Clifton Community Library
- Her 1 year as library direct is up in December, at the November Library meeting she will tender her resignation but would like to continue as a library aid. She will give her recommendation for Heather Nichols to become the new library director.

R. Rusaw:

- He is the Fire Chief of Star Lake Fire Department, he has concerns/proposition for fire protection for the Newton Falls fire district. Currently NFFD has 3 members, none of them being interior fire fighters. Star Lake has been on automatic dispatch for anything within the NFFD since 2016. Star Lake Fire would like to propose a budget to the Clifton Town Board for coverage of NFFD.
- Supervisor Hooven will need to contact our attorney to see what would need to be done to start the process of dissolving the NFFD.
- Supervisor Hooven will set up a meeting with the board of commissioners for NFFD.

B. Blackmer:

- Representing the Cranberry Lake Mountaineer Snowmobile Club, he asked if the back parking lot of the Clifton Community Center could be plowed this winter to allow truck and trailer parking during the snowmobile season.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Locks for the Historian's office. With it being just one incident with no vandalism we will let it ride and if there is another issue, we will investigate it further.
- Infant swing for playground – No swing has been ordered.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Highway vehicle Insurance – Brandon Jaquith is a new driver on the policy.
- Community Center door quote – \$4,116 was the quote for downstairs basement exit door, it is a custom size. If there is to be an outside handle on it, it needs to be ordered when the door is ordered. Motion to order the door for the basement was made by J. Russell with a 2nd by J. Lanphear, all in favor, motion carried.
- The stairs going into the post office need to be fixed and will be put in next year's budget.

- Arena quotes – talked about at the joint meeting. Will get quotes from Barkley to change the locks.
- Abstract 9 change – MX Fuel Voucher was a duplicate motion to change Abstract 9 was made by J. Russell with a 2nd by J. Lanphear, all in favor, motion carried.
- Town compliance audit – Inspection done by Jody Wentzel
- All boats parked behind the Clifton Community Center should be removed by December 1, 2021. Should have a letter on hand to use every year to send to remind people to remove their boats and trailers.
- Approve the bids for the Auction properties the property Benson Mines was \$4150, Joy Street was \$220, and 938 Ct. Rt 60 was \$2,400, motion by J. Russell 2nd by M. Zuhlsdorf to accept the bids as offered, all in favor, motion carried.

HIGHWAY:

- Boiler – wood boiler is possibly operational, they replaced the baffle in the back, replaced triple wall pipe, we will find out if that is the problem when it gets started up.
- Garage doors are installed and painted.
- Trimming out of the doors, need to get a contractor to do it.
- Tearing down of the burnt house in Newton Falls - it is down but the transfer station hasn't been able to take all of it at once.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

- **Supervisor's report** – The board having examined the report had a motion to approve the report by M. Zuhlsdorf and seconded by J. Lanphear. Ayes all; motion carried.
- **Town Clerk's report** – The board examined the Town Clerk's report. A motion was made by J. Lanphear, to approve the report and seconded by J. Russell. Ayes all; motion carried.
- **Audit of the bills:** The board audited the bills for payment. A motion to approve payment of the bills as audited was made by J. Lanphear and seconded by C. Perrault. Ayes all; carried.

	AMOUNTS
CF ARENA	\$947.26
GENERAL	\$37,741.28
HIGHWAY	\$201,103.46

NEWTON FALLS WATER DISTRICT	\$28,845.62
NEWTON FALLS SEWER DISTRICT	\$3,290.54
CAPITAL PROJECT NFSD DISINFECTING	\$26.05

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn at 7:40pm was made by J. Lanphear and seconded by J. Russell. Ayes all; adjourned.

The next Town Board meeting will be a Regular meeting on November 10, 2021, in Cranberry Lake, at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted

Karen Soltau

Karen Soltau, Town Clerk