

Mayor Schaumburg called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Flag Salute.

Roll Call: Present – Harrison, Insel, Pender, Ragozine, Shea, Mayor Schaumburg

Absent - De Cleene

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

Mayor Schaumburg read the following statement: “Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided, indicating the time and place of the meeting and the proposed agenda, which notice was posted, made available to newspapers, and filed with the Clerk of the Town of Clinton in accordance with Section 3(d) of Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975.”

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Pender, seconded by Mr. Ragozine to approve the minutes of May 8, 2007 as submitted.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT

Whitney Wetherill, 36 West Main Street, recently attended a Planning Division meeting. At the meeting it was mentioned that there was not a lot of pedestrian traffic on West Main Street. Ms. Wetherill remarked that there **is** a lot of pedestrian traffic and there are some sidewalks in very bad condition. Do we have to go through the State because it is a State Highway? Mr. Cushing explained the ordinance and that property owners are responsible for repairs. Mr. Cutter explained that the Town took on sidewalk replacement on entire streets, but not repairing. The Town does maintain the pavers on an annual basis. Mayor Schaumburg asked Mr. Cutter to add the topic to the Buildings and Grounds meeting scheduled for June 5.

Walter Hetzel, County started Cross Acceptance meetings again, and questioned who is on the committee from the Town? Mayor Schaumburg said there has not been a Planning Board meeting since then so she was not sure if anyone attended from the Board, however, two all day workshops are scheduled and she will be attending one a them.

Carl Lamers, Marudy Drive, regarding the broken water main, there is a lot of equipment on Marudy Drive. Would the Town consider limiting traffic? Mr. Cutter said he will discuss this with the Police Chief and will respond to Mr. Lamers.

Rudolfo Hisseni, owner of Dora’s Restaurant, stated that he was interested in replacing the sidewalk in front of his establishment. His insurance company threatened to drop him because of the condition of the present sidewalk. He said he needs a letter from the Town if he is unable to change to the pavers he dropped off as a sample to the Town. Mr. Cutter explained to Mr. Hisseni that the Town was considering changing to pavers on Main Street and that if he changed now, they may be taken up. Mr. Cutter will contact Mr. Hisseni.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

1. Exit 15 realignment construction project near completion. The Town will soon be relieved of the project and the work went better than expected.
2. Wastewater Treatment Plant employees, Robert Niezgodka and Paul Klitsch, have earned certification from the New Jersey Water Environment Association on the completion of "Update on Pipe Inspection Techniques".

REFUND OF PERMIT FEES

Construction Official, John Leonard, requested a refund of permit fees to Fred Peoni, contractor for 7 Hillside Drive in the amount of \$170.00 for the permit, the homeowner cancelled the work. A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, seconded by Mrs. Insel to grant the refund as requested.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

BANNER REQUEST

Council is in receipt of a banner request for the "Haunted Mill" which will take place October 19, 20, 26 and 27, 2007. Display dates are October 17 through November 3. A motion was made by Mr. Ragozine, seconded by Mr. Pender to grant the banner as requested.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

BANNER REQUEST

Council is in receipt of a second banner request from Immaculate Conception School announcing their annual Parish Festival June 20 through 24, 2007. The banner request is for June 1st through June 24, 2007. A motion was made by Mr. Ragozine, seconded by Mrs. Insel to grant the request.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

STILL PHOTO SHOOT

Council is in receipt of an application from Brogan Tennyson Group for the purpose of a still photography shoot for the 2007 Mall at Short Hills Catalog. The photo shoot will take place on Main Street in front of a store, and continue on the field located at the top of Central Avenue, or the Moebus Tract. The date is Friday, June 8, 2007, shooting shall begin as early as 8:00 a.m. No road closures, limited impact of Main Street and no parking spaces will be utilized. Their vehicles will be parked at the Municipal Building. Chief Matheis met with the Senior Account Manager discussed all details and advised Council that he is very comfortable with their plans. Mr. Joseph, Clinton Falls Framing, stated that he was not happy with filming on a Friday, and felt it would impact sales. Mr. Palladino, JJ Scoops, stated he did not have a problem with the film shoot providing they start first thing in the morning. An attempt to contact the Group will be made and a request to begin their project as early as possible.

A motion was made by Mr. Ragozine, seconded by Mr. Shea to approve the request following an attempt to make the phone calls and check on times or suggest another day to shoot.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

2007 SUMMER RECREATION STAFFING

Kathy Olsen, Chief Financial Officer, reviewed the staffing request submitted by the Parks and Playgrounds Commission and asked that this request be tabled until a further review can be completed. Ms. Olsen stated discrepancies were found. A motion was made by Mr. Ragozine, seconded by Mr. Pender, to table the 2007 Summer Recreation Staffing request until the next Council meeting, June 12, 2007.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #78-07

A motion was made by Mr. Ragozine, seconded by Mr. Shea, to adopt Resolution #78-07 which provides evidence of compliance by the Mayor and Council in review of the Annual Audit. A Group Affidavit was signed by all duly elected members.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCE #07-07

A motion was made by Mrs. Insel, seconded by Mr. Ragozine, to open the public hearing on Ordinance #07-07:

ORDINANCE #07-07

CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF CLINTON, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE MAKING OF IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWN OF CLINTON, AND APPROPRIATING THEREFOR THE SUM OF \$50,000 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND RESERVES.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

There being no public comment, a motion was made by Mr. Ragozine, seconded by Mr. Harrison to close the public hearing.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, seconded by Mr. Pender, to adopt Ordinance #07-07 on second reading as presented.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Harrison, Insel, Pender, Ragozine, Shea, Mayor Schaumburg

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCE #07-08

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, seconded by Mrs. Insel, to open the public hearing on Ordinance #07-08

ORDINANCE #07-08

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE USE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS, SEWER CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS AND WATER CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS FOR VARIOUS ACQUISITIONS

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

There being no public comment, a motion was made by Mr. Harrison, seconded by Mr. Ragozine to close the public hearing.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

A motion was made by Mr. Ragozine, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to adopt Ordinance #07-08 on second reading as presented.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Harrison, Insel, Pender, Ragozine, Shea, Mayor Schaumburg

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

47 LEIGH STREET LEASE

Mr. Cutter briefly explained the lease for 47 Leigh Street and the agreement the Water and Sewer Departments would be entering. Mayor Schaumburg suggested the Lease be tabled until the Buildings and Grounds Committee meet to discuss the use of the building at a meeting scheduled for June 5, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. A motion was made by Mr. Ragozine, seconded by Mr. Shea to table the Lease for 47 Leigh Street.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

SPECIAL EVENT – LED ZEPPLIN NIGHT

Anne Rossi, Rock the World Café and Addicted Jeans Store, is interested in hosting a music festival “Led Zeppelin Night” on Saturday, September 15, 2007 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Ms. Rossi brought her idea to the Council meeting of May 8 and was asked to discuss her plan with merchants and residents of Main and East Main Streets. Ms. Rossi would like to close the bridge leading to Main Street to stage the band, and considered charging for the event. Many shop owners, residents and a restaurant owner were concerned about closing the road and insurance. With many questions remaining unclear, Ms. Rossi was asked to discuss it further with merchants and residents and get feedback. It was suggested that she circulate a petition on Main Street and get a Statement of Support from those willing to back the idea. Once again, the application was tabled awaiting additional information. A motion was made by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mrs. Insel.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RE-EXAMINATION REPORT OF THE MASTER PLAN

The Planning Board adopted the 2007 Master Plan Reexamination Report at their May 2, 2007 meeting and forwarded to Council for their review. Council accepted the 2007 re-examination as submitted.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Downtown New Jersey “PLANNING TODAY FOR A SUCCESSFUL TOMORROW”
June 15, 2007. Information available in the Clerk’s Office.

2. Notification received from Susan Bass Levin, Commissioner of Department of Community Affairs, announcing the Town of Clinton will receive a \$4,000.00 Domestic Violence Training Reimbursement Grant. Mayor Schaumburg thanked the Police for submitting the application.
3. Robert Kaplan, Eagle Scout, sent a letter of thanks to Mr. Cutter for the mulch delivery to the Hunterdon Developmental Center. The Town's donation of 40 cubic yards of mulch helped Robert complete his Eagle Scout Project in front of the pool building.
4. Notice received from the New Jersey League of Municipalities, "HELPING GREENSBURG KANSAS". Supporting the Greensburg recovery efforts following the devastation following EF-5 tornado of early May. More information available in the Clerk's Office.
5. State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation, will be making road improvements in the vicinity of Exit 21 on I-78 and I-287. A pre-construction Information Center meeting will be held May 30th from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Bedminster Municipal Building, One Miller Lane.

PROPOSED SIGN ORDINANCE – DISCUSSION

Mayor Schaumburg explained the procedure that will be taken tonight. Several letters that have been received from merchants and residents will be read into the record and comments will then be taken from the audience. Mayor Schaumburg asked that when making comments, do not reiterate what was written. Letters received from the following:

- Whitney Wetherill, 36 West Main Street
- James DeGroff, residence 7 Leigh Street, Business 28 Center Street
- Arthur and Ann Schwartz, Portraits by Anna, 7 Route 173
- Peter Joseph, Clinton Falls, 49-51 Main Street
- Ron Williams, 4 Chalfonte Drive, Lebanon; Balic of Clinton, 8 East Main Street, May 2
- Ron Williams, letter dated May 22
- Linda Johnson, Extraordinary Beads, 2 East Main Street

Mayor Schaumburg thanked everyone for their letters and for taking the time to relay their comments. "This is a difficult process" stated the Mayor. As a side note, she clarified that the Sign Committee is a branch of the Board of Adjustment, not the Planning Board. The Committee was established because there were lots of complaints that signs were not in compliance, and permits not obtained on commercial and even residential properties. The Committee was established to look at issues, to look at the ordinance and address enforcement issues. John Barczyk, the Code Enforcement Officer was hired last year to enforce signage and worked closely with the Sign Committee to review and amend this ordinance. He was hired not only for signs, but for all enforcement issues. Merchants were encouraged to attend meetings during the review process, the meetings were open to the public, however, the meetings were *not too* well attended. The Committee also worked hard with the planner. The Sign Ordinance was introduced in 1965 and the Sign Committee formed in 1993 to enforce signage that was never obtained by permits. Mayor Schaumburg explained that the proposed ordinance is a working document, it is not finished. If a person were to read the previous ordinance compared to the current ordinance, it is clearly a lot more lenient than the previous ordinance, that is extremely clear. The old ordinance is very outdated and very strict. The new ordinance attempts to bring everyone into compliance without a lot of money. Councilman Shea has reviewed the new ordinance with merchants and emailed comments to Council.

Although feelings were that the subject has been reviewed enough, a Sub – Sign Committee will be established to take another look. This is a very complicated ordinance and we want to be careful not to over regulate. Council will look to re-introduce following review. The Committee will consist of two Council members, look at specific comments from the Planning Board, a volunteer merchant from the Historic District and from Old Highway 22, also needed. The committee will receive copies of the letters previously read to consider.

Ron Williams, said he was thrilled to see so many merchants in the room and if this went through the way it is written, everyone in this room would be in violation. He heard said several times that the ordinance needs to be “tweaked”. He asked if permits that have already been issued are grandfathered? Mayor Schaumburg explained that legal signs are grandfathered. Mr. Cushing asked, do you or any merchants have permits for your signs? If you do have permits, they are all going to be grandfathered just so it is absolutely clear.

Arthur Schwartz humored the audience with trueisms. “If it ain’t broke, don’t fix it”. If you have specific objections and they are valid, deal with them. The issue of sandwich signs that obstruct the sidewalk, deal with it. In general, Mr. Schwartz directed a question to Council, “does any one own a small store?” The gist is, newspaper advertising, internet, it’s all advertising. Location, location, location, we chose the location, now we have to communicate to the people. I (Mr. Schwartz) think that the number of signs should be gone, that seems to be biggest single issue, and deal with the problem. What do you object to? Just solve those problems instead of creating this whole mess of laws that is going to drive everyone, including you, crazy. Mayor Schaumburg addressed the comment “if it ain’t broke, don’t fix it” there were a lot of complaints in town regarding illegal signs and when the Code Enforcement Officer looked into it, found that a lot of people were not in compliance. He looked at our ordinance, it was very broken. All temporary signs were effectively illegal, sandwich board signs are illegal. This ordinance actually allows for standing signs on streets. If we enforced the old law, people would be taking down signs all over the place, except people who had permits. It was broken and that’s why the Sign Committee was asked to address the ordinance and to make it more reasonable. Is it reasonable enough? I don’t know, and that is why .. Mr. Schwartz “get past the two sign thing. Everything is a sign. Get past that, don’t do the numbers, and measuring the size of the windows. Mayor Schaumburg, “point well taken and the question you asked, do any of us own a small shop, absolutely not, and that is why I am asking the merchants to step up on this committee and take another look at it. That’s why I am asking, it is extremely important that it meet your needs. I said that since day one. There is not a merchant in this room that doesn’t know how much I support them and how valuable I feel you are to our Town and to our economy, but also to our quality of life as residents. I do not think there is any merchant who would argue that I would think otherwise, or that I don’t support that. I want to see you all in business and I do recognize there are separate businesses and business districts, that many have needs in different ways, but they meet our needs in financial ways, and quality of life ways and I do believe your success is extremely important. I do believe you should work with this committee to make this ordinance better for all of you. Mr. Cushing added “ Be careful what you ask for because you might just get it”! As you asked for no limit on signs, you would look like a billboard up and down Center Street and I do not think that’s what anyone here wants. I think everyone here wants balance between the terrific look of the downtown, beautiful historic town, an attractive area for business, on the other hand, some type of limitations that allows businesses to flourish and that’s what this meeting is all about. About striking a kind of balance, if you don’t put a limit on the number of signs, people could put signs all over their buildings, now that might be good for you, but your neighbor could be offended by that. So there is a balance to be struck. Now, whether you have a Master Card insignia on the front of your building? , that’s fine tuning which should be done but to say that you can’t have a number on the limit of signs, no

place has that. You have to have a limit on the number of signs, the quality, the size, the location, that's a question of reasonable debate, but if you have no limit on the number of signs, some people could cover their entire place of business. Mr. Schwartz, stated, "in general, is there one business in town that anyone finds offensive? Mr. Cushing, there may be, I don't know that. Schwartz, "just one." Mr. Cushing, well maybe the ordinance is doing a good job then. Schwartz, "no, just common sense controls it". Cushing, everyone is out to make a profit, and every person is going to push it to the limit to the terms of what they can do. Mr. Schwartz, "its' human nature". Mr. Cushing, "that's why you have rules. Maybe the laws were too strict and that is what the Sign Committee tried to do, come back and come out with some type of balance. The original Sign Committee that was created several years ago under the ordinance, someone mentioned in their letter, was meant as a safety valve to allow some kind of balance for merchants and try to simplify the way. But this new ordinance is trying to deal with that situation, whether it does is right or not obviously it doesn't do it completely otherwise people would not be here complaining. There has to be some kind of rules and regulations to balance out the interest of both sides."

Peter Joseph, "there are buildings with multiple businesses within it and the old ordinance, it was to go out of business or just do it. Because businesses like Dickens Lane and Clinton Falls could not survive." Mayor Schaumburg stated that this proposed ordinance addresses that, the previous ordinance did not. Mr. Joseph said he toured with the Sign committee and with John Leonard and the new ordinance seems workable and addresses this issue.

Mark Drabich, Metropolitan Seafood on Old Highway 22, asked, "were the complaints on signs that did not have permits? Mayor Schaumburg replied, "yes, I believe so" and continued to say that "some of these happened years ago, before I was doing this, I was sitting in the audience. There were lots of issues with them. Complaints of "my neighbor's not in compliance? How come there are 45 signs lining Old Highway 22 because a new shop opened in town and do they have a permit to do this? No. Why are there balloons and banners on top of a gas station going 50 feet into the air?" Mr. Drabich stated that he got his sign through Mr. Leonard years ago. Secondly, Mr. Drabich said "I would like to volunteer to work with the committee!" Mayor Schaumburg thanked Mr. Drabich and said "I hoped you would. I appreciate that".

Chris Balaco, from "the other photographer in town" stated his concern is the display part. Portraits could be considered display and that would limit portraits in the windows. The idea that a display is a sign is absolutely ridiculous. That should be eliminated because if you just look through somebody's window, everything is a display. How can you say this part is not part of the display in the window and this part is? Mayor replied, point well taken and made in Mr. Schwartz's letter as well. Mr. Balaco continued, "the part about the parking, if it just says parking for patrons only, patron of what, that store over there? Mayor, again that was also.

Whitney Wetherill, a question for Mr. Cushing regarding box signs and back lighted box signs, are they prohibited? If such a back lighted box sign is on a building and it has a permit and the metal tags affixed to the sign to change the wording from the front panel, if that person was to move out, can the name be changed? Mr. Cushing said yes, it is a pre-existing sign which has a permit, the wording can not be regulated. Ms. Wetherill asked that wording in the new ordinance be clarified to explain that grandfathered signs are protected.

Walter Hetzel, Main Street, volunteered to serve on the sub-sign committee for the Historic District, Mayor Schaumburg thanked him.

Carol Beder, Main Street, thanked the Sign Committee for their work and allowing comments from merchants. Councilman Shea, liaison to the Clinton Guild, has written an overview and forwarded to council the concerns of the Guild.

Mr. Schwartz asked, if someone came for a sign, a “ticky tacky sign” that would be permitted? Mr. Cushing explained that the Town does not regulate aesthetics, it does the best they can. However, if the sign meets the standards, a permit will be issued.

Lou Tranquilli, Chairman of the Sign Committee, thanked the entire committee, trained experienced professionals, John Barczyk, John Leonard, and Planner, Beth McManus for all their work on this proposed ordinance. They were a productive committee and have worked on streamlining the ordinance. “It is not arbitrary or capricious.” If a sign currently has a permit, this ordinance does not supercede it. Thanks to Carol Gallo and Steve Feldman for a good design on the parking issue. Recommendations were made for 2 –3 parking spots.

The American Flag is the only type of flag allowed at this time and the flag pole was the item targeted. Only one flag pole is permitted. Currently, no other flags are allowed and this ordinance is promoting OPEN & CLOSED flags to be displayed on a building. Neon signs are not legal and never were. The fee for temporary signs was addressed and explained, \$10.00 per application and approval and a limit of four per year. An annual license is \$40.00, it equals out. The number of signs per window seems to be misunderstood. Two name plate signs are allowed in your windows, larger ones on the Highway, smaller in the downtown area. Also proposed in the ordinance are standing signs are to be made legal which is a really unique feature. Signs being turned off at night is in response to many comments from residents who are affected by the lights at night.

This has been a well thought out process and concerns have been addressed. This ordinance is closer to completion than the mood of this room might suggest. Mayor Schaumburg agreed, this has been a long process and we’re almost there. There are not many outstanding issues. Chief Matheis also prepared a memorandum regarding “Signs and other types of illumination”. Once again, the ordinance is almost there, some fine tuning is needed and if there are any specific recommendations, please submit something in writing. Mayor Schaumburg stated her appreciation on everyone’s work.

Peter Joseph, asked if a third person would be considered, offering himself as a owner of a multiuse building and non guild member. The Mayor welcomed him and thanked him.

Frank Gallagher, Planning Board chairman, and business owner, asked what procedure will be taken following the next step of the sub committee. Mr. Cushing explained that the Council discussed this at the introduction of this ordinance. Council concluded to hold off on advertising in anticipation of many changes to the ordinance. Following recommendations from the sign Committee, a new ordinance can be introduced and advertised. The Council may choose to vote down the original proposal and accept the amended ordinance. Mr. Gallagher referred to Mr. Williams’ letter and said he made an accurate statement of a freight train that needed to slow down. The ordinance is now 90% done and Mr. Gallagher commended Council and the Committee for their work and look forward to bringing this to a fruitful conclusion.

John Palladino, Main Street, asked about neon signs and why they are illegal? Mayor Schaumburg said that our current ordinance states they are illegal, but that can be changed if recommendations are made.

Councilman Ragozine addressed the “freight train” comment and offered recent historical perspective. The Sign Committee sat dormant for many years, this issue was rejuvenated a few years ago. The process has been underway for a while, it’s gathered steam and recently is now in the forefront but this body of work probably started three years ago. This has been a very long process, and now has a lot of steam. This is not just the last two months, it has been several years. Once again, it’s not a freight train, public meetings were poorly attended back then too.

Mayor Schaumburg said, "quite frankly, everyone knows politics gets in the way of doing business, even in a very good town like Clinton. There have been rumors about this ending up in law suits and we are going to get sued, even Council members have been discussing these proposed law suits and that's not how the Town of Clinton does business. Who ever has administered this Town has not administered with an iron fist. I think unfortunately things have to come to the forefront and start acting like a freight train and gain steam to generate business and quite frankly, I am glad that happened because that brought together these comments and are going to help make it a better ordinance and brought people in who made comments verbally in the past couple months. It did have to come to the forefront to make people act on it. My recommendation to Council is to put the brakes on it, very briefly, give the new committee a couple weeks to take a look at this and examine these comments. There are good comments that have been made even the chairman of the committee has noted that some them would be a good improvement. I am glad it all happened and I am going to put a Democrat and a Republican on it and it's awful to talk about partisan politics. Sometimes we have to be reminded to keep the campaigns on the campaign trail and out of law making and out of this room, and I think that's what we have to do tonight, make a responsible decision that will work for the Town keeping it aesthetically in check and more importantly, help merchants continue to be successful and grow to be more successful in the future. It is important to us to all economically and for our quality of life issues.

Final comments were taken from the audience. Ron Williams, tweak the number of sign issue and clear the ambiguity about going for a permit. Mayor Schaumburg said it will be clear to the zoning officer when a person is going for a sign permit. Also, the matter of outside table displays with racks and furniture, are they signs? Mayor replied, that will be cleared up in it's language. All issues mentioned in your letter are well taken and will be addressed by the Committee in their review.

Chris Balaco, agrees that there must be a limit to the number of signs, however, the merchants feel much too restricted. Lights out at 10 – 11:00 p.m. The number of signs for parking limited 1 –2 spaces.

Joe Riga, Colors of Clinton, is in the process of changing a current sign on his building. It is still under the old ordinance, he was directed to contact Allison McGinley to put him in touch with Mr. Leonard.

A motion was made by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mrs. Insel, to vote down Ordinance # 07-09 and re-introduce the amended ordinance.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Harrison, Insel, Pender, Ragozine, Shea, Mayor Schaumburg

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL & TOWN OFFICIALS

Councilman Harrison

1. Personnel - no meeting due to conflicts, will reschedule.
2. I-78 Corridor Study at North Hunterdon to be held Tuesday, May 29th.
3. Joint Roads and Water Committee meeting to discuss the Knolls project. Next meeting June 1, 2007 at 8:30 a.m.

Councilman Shea

1. Shade Tree – an Eagle Scout project will be to perform an inventory of Town trees. Project plan to be prepared by Mr. Cutter. Met with Lou Spanner, Arborist, to discuss stump Removal, a list will be provided to him.
2. Parks & Playgrounds – Discussed the recreation commission II ordinance and will further discuss with Attorney Cushing to have the ordinance re-written. Mr. Cushing stated he will have a draft for the next council meeting.

Councilwoman Insel

1. Historical Commission working on the demolition ordinance and intends to have a new draft in upcoming weeks.
2. 47 Leigh Street Grand Opening, Wednesday, June 20th at 6:30 p.m.
3. Smart Growth, Community Vision Study, May 30th at Clinton Public School; all day event Saturday, June 16 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Councilman Ragozine

1. Buildings and Grounds meeting scheduled for June 5th at 9:30 a.m. to discuss space allocations for the Municipal Building and 47 Leigh Street.

Councilman Pender

1. Town wide yard sale – Saturday, June 2, 2007, rain or shine, beginning at 9 a.m.
2. Personnel meeting – date to be determined.

Kathy Olsen, CFO

1. Attended Tax Collector Conference – many changes for the upcoming budget year. Two CAPS will be instituted - expenditures cap and a tax levy cap.

Robert A. Cutter, PW/Bus. Administrator

1. Recycling Program - April figures, exceptional savings.
2. Temporary Speed Platforms installed on Haver Farm Road, signs being installed on existing poles.
3. Green cleaning dispenser to be installed in the Municipal Building.
4. Attending COAH class in Dumont, Bergen County.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison seconded by Mr. Ragozine, to approve the voucher list attached to these minutes.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Harrison, Insel, Pender, Ragozine, Shea, Mayor Schaumburg

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Shea seconded by Mr. Harrison to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 p.m.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

Cecilia Covino, RMC/CMC
Town Clerk

APPROVED BY MAYOR & COUNCIL

Christine Schaumburg, Mayor