

Councilman Pendergast called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Flag Salute.

Roll Call: Present – Duffy, Pender, Pendergast, Shea,
Absent - Insel, Mayor Schaumburg

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

Councilman Pendergast 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. Duffy seconded by Mrs. Valenta to approve the minutes of July 13, 2010 as submitted.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT

Robert Danowski, 4 Wildflower Court, came before council tonight to address the way he received information about the recent water restrictions, the e coli found in raw water and the warning to boil water notification. Mr. Danowski asked what steps will be taken in the event of another incident. Mr. Cutter explained the entire course of events and the process to notify all water customers. He explained that the testing of July 19, 2010 was a test of raw water samples from Well 11 prior to treatment. At no time, Mr. Cutter explained, were residents subject to E-coli because the testing results were that of raw water, not the finished water that people consume. A reverse 911 call was put to the test. It worked very well, only a few people outside of the Clinton area were contacted. Mr. Cutter is meeting on Friday with a 911 Company to streamline the process, in case of another emergency. Notices were also sent to NJ.com and the Comcast local channels. The timeline of events as presented are attached to these minutes.

Dawn Zeszotarski, 34 Pond Ridge Drive, questioned the minutes of the Council meeting held June 22, 2010, in which Councilman Shea speaks of the Board of Recreation and their suggestion to have a volleyball court and community garden located at Pond Ridge. Ms. Zeszotarski asked where these would be located and where would parking be if they were to be placed there. The Board of Recreation meets the third Thursday of each month and residents were encouraged to attend. Milt Hagerstrom said the cut out dog placed at the parkland needs to be moved around to keep the geese from flocking to the site. Mr. Cutter will ask the Public Works Department to move the dog around and possibly add a black plastic bag to the tail to throw the geese off. Milt is the “official goose chaser” at this point! Other residents from Pond Ridge that attended with concerns of the volleyball court and the garden were: Ginny Brooks, Dena Roberts, Doris Soden, Tom and Gail Stepka and Jim and Joan Flotteron. Everyone left the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

RESOLUTION #119-10 – MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE

A motion was made by Mr. Pender, seconded by Mr. Duffy, authorizing the Mayor to sign the agreement to act as lead municipality for the North Hunterdon Municipal Alliance, and to administer the Municipal Alliance grant.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #120-10 – TAX BILLS – GRACE PERIOD

A motion was made by Mr. Duffy, seconded by Mr. Shea, to extend the third quarter tax amount due date until August 31, 2010.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

SPECIAL EVENT – SPRUCE RUN BLOCK PARTY

A motion was made by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mrs. Valenta, to approve the special event request for the Spruce Run Block Party to be held August 14, 2010 from, Noon to 11:00 p.m.

Vote all ayes
1 Abstention (Pendergast)
Motion carried

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letters of commendation to the Clinton Police Department. A letter received from a motorist that while passing through Clinton he ran out of gas. Patrolman Matt Thompson assisted in a courteous and professional manner that “far exceeded his expectations”. “He is a credit both to the Town of Clinton and the agency”.
2. A second letter was to commend Patrolman Leon Cohen his assistance and professionalism.

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL & TOWN OFFICIALS

Robert A. Cutter, PW/Business Administrator

1. Recycling Survey has been prepared and will be mailed to all businesses in Town.

Councilman Duffy

1. Buildings and Grounds –The Clinton Mills Dam and Dike Project has been re-bid and awarded. A pre-construction meeting was held Wednesday, July 21, 2010. The project is moving forward.

Councilman Pender

As a tenant in one of the affected properties, Mr. Pender asked when progress meetings on the dam and dike will be held. Mr. Cutter explained that they will be held weekly on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. on site.

Councilman Shea

1. Roads Committee meeting – August 6, at 8:30 a.m. Committee will be discussing the Rachel Court repaving project.

Councilwoman Valenta

1. Clinton Guild will be having their Sidewalk sale on August 5, 6, and 7th. Many new businesses are moving onto Main Street.

APPROVAL OF STANDBY AND OVERTIME

A motion was made by Mr. Shea seconded by Mrs. Valenta, to approve the standby and overtime pay as submitted for July 9 through July 23, 2010.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Duffy, Pender, Pendergast, Shea, Valenta

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Mr. Duffy seconded by Mrs. Valenta to approve the voucher list attached to these minutes.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Duffy, Pender, Pendergast, Shea, Valenta

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #121-10 – EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Pender seconded by Mrs. Valenta to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters of Potential Litigation and Contract Negotiations at 8:25 P.M.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

A motion was made by Mr. Duffy seconded by Mrs. Valenta to return to the Regular Council Meeting at 8:33 P.M.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Duffy seconded by Mrs. Valenta to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 P.M.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

Cecilia Covino, RMC/CMC
Town Clerk

Councilman Pendergast