

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD TOWN BOARD MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 7, 2017
AT THE TOWN OFFICE ON THE CORNER OF CLINTON AND VINE STREETS, IN KEESVILLE, COUNTY OF
ESSEX, STATE OF NEW YORK, PURSUANT TO DUE NOTICE.**

SUPERVISOR MORROW CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00P.M.

EVERYONE STOOD FOR THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

THOSE PRESENT WERE:

SUPERVISOR: GERALD H. MORROW
TOWN CLERK: LYNN A. JARVIS
COUNCILMAN: CLAYTON J. BARBER
COUNCILMAN: RICHARD J. KLAGES
COUNCILMAN: DAVID P. GLOAD
COUNCILMAN: RUSSELL L. BLAISE
TOWN ATTORNEY: MICHAEL J. MCCORMICK
SUPT. OF HWYS: PHILIP W. PRAY

GUEST IN ATTENDANCE:

3 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS FOR OBSERVATION OF THE GOVERNMENT PROCESS

TODD HODGSON FROM AES

UPON A MOTION BY COUNCILMAN KLAGES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BARBER AND
UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED IT WAS

#22 RESOLVED: THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 3, 2017
COULD BE DISPENSED WITH.

SUPERVISOR MORROW INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT THE REGIONAL OFFICE OF SUSTAINABLE
TOURISM (ROOST) HAD MADE \$2,500.00 AVAILABLE TO EACH TOWN IN ESSEX COUNTY TO ENHANCE
TOURISM. THE TOWN NEEDS TO REQUEST THE FUNDS AND SIGN A LETTER OF AGREEMENT.
SUPERVISOR MORROW SPOKE WITH BARBARA DAVIDSON REGARDING THE USAGE OF THE FUNDS. A
LETTER OF AGREEMENT HAS BEEN FILED WITH ROOST. THE TOWN WILL CONTRACT WITH THE
KEESEVILLE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION TO CREATE A NEW WEBSITE FOR TOURISM, NEW SIGNAGE, FIELD

DAY AND PARADE ACTIVITIES AND THE OCTOBERFEST, ALL OF WHICH WOULD ENHANCE TOURISM FOR OUR TOWN.

UPON A MOTION BY COUNCILMAN GLOAD AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN KLAGES AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED IT WAS

#23 RESOLVED: THAT SUPERVISOR MORROW SIGN A LETTER OF AGREEMENT WITH ROOST FOR THE \$2,500.00 WHICH WILL BE USED TO ENHANCE TOURISM IN OUR TOWN. THE TOWN WILL CONTRACT WITH THE KEESVILLE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION TO MANAGE THE FUNDS.

UPON A MOTION BY COUNCILMAN BLAISE AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN GLOAD AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED IT WAS

#24 RESOLVED: THAT SUPERVISOR MORROW BE AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE ALL RELATED DOCUMENTS AS WELL AS ENDORSING THE RECEIPT, USE AND DISBURSEMENT OF GRANT FUNDS THROUGH USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT FOR THE WATER PROJECT IN THE TOWN. THE PROJECT IS BEING ADMINISTERED BY TOWN OFFICIALS WITH ASSISTANCE FROM THE ESSEX COUNTY COMMUNITY RESOURCES DEPARTMENT. THE PROJECT IS CO-FUNDED BY THE NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES CORPORATION. THE TOWN AWARDED AES NORTHEAST LLC. OF PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK AS THE ENGINEERING CONSULTANT.

SUPERVISOR MORROW GAVE THE TOWN BOARD AN UPDATE ON THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD WATER DISTRICT. THE LAST MEETING WITH DOH, AES, DAVE WINTER AND THE HYDROLOGIST (VIA PHONE) WAS ABOUT THE NEED FOR THE TOWN TO RESEACH WELLS AS A WATER SOURCE. SITES DISCUSSED WERE COMMERCE PARK, OFF ROBARE ROAD AND POSSIBLY NEAR EXISTING WATER PLANT. SUPERVISOR MORROW SENT LETTERS TO AND SPOKE WITH ALL PARTIES INVOLVED ABOUT ALLOWING TOWN ON THEIR PROPERTY IN SEARCH OF POTENTIAL WATER SOURCE. ALL WERE VERY HELPFUL. CLAUDE CORMIER, THE HYDROLOGIST WILL SPEAK AT THE NEXT WATER MEETING.

COUNCILMAN GLOAD ASKED IF THERE WAS COST INVOLVED IN THE WELLS. SUPERVISOR MORROW EXPLAINED THAT THERE WAS AND THAT WE HAD A BOND APPROVED PRIOR FOR \$350,000.00. WHEN IT COMES TIME TO DRILL THE PROJECT WILL GO OUT TO BID. ETC WILL BE SUBMITTING ANOTHER APPLICATION FOR A GRANT IN MARCH.

SUPERVISOR MORROW INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT THE REQUEST FOR A SPEED REDUCTION ON THE GIDDINGS ROAD HAD BEEN DENIED. NYSDOT FELT THE REDUCTION WAS NOT WARRANTED AT THIS TIME.

SUPERVISOR MORROW INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT A LETTER WAS RECEIVED FROM MARK BONFEY, ACTING RESIDENT ENGINEER FOR NYS DOT TO REVIEW THE SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT THAT ALLOWS NYSDOT TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO MUNICIPALITIES IN THE ABSENCE OF A GOVERNOR'S EMERGENCY DECLARATION, FOR SERVICES THAT ARE VALUED AT LESS THAN \$10,000.00.

UPON A MOTION BY COUNCLIMAN GLOAD AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BLAISE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED IT WAS

#25 RESOLVED: THAT THE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDANT BE AUTHORIZED TO SIGN THE SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN NYS DOT AND THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD. THE TERM OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE FOR (2) YEARS.

A COPY OF THIS AGREEMENT CAN BE FOUND ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK.

THE TOWN OF MORIAH HAS ENACTED A LOCAL LAW ENTITLED "CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY REQUIRED". INFORMATION REGARDING THIS LOCAL LAW WAS GIVEN TO TOWN ATTORNEY FOR REVIEW; HE WILL BRING HIS FINDINGS TO THE TOWN BOARD AT THE MARCH MEETING FOR CONSIDERATION OF ENACTING IN THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD.

SUPERVISOR MORROW INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT TWO PROPOSALS WERE RECEIVED FROM STEVE LAMERE, ADIRONDACK ECOLOGIST, LLC. REGARDING SERVICES FOR AUGAR LAKE.

PROPOSAL #1: THE PROPOSAL SUBTOTAL FOR MONITORING THE AQUATIC PLANT AT AUGAR LAKE IS \$1,300.00. THE PROPOSAL SUBTOTAL FOR PHYTOPLANKTON MONITORING IS \$750.00. TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COST FOR PROPOSAL #1 FOR 2017 WILL BE \$2,500.00.

PROPOSAL #2: DEVELOPED AT THE REQUEST OF THE APA IN ORDER TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PERTAINING TO AUGAR LAKE AND ITS WATER QUALITY AND AQUATIC PLANT COMMUNITY. THE COST FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES PROPOSAL #2 WILL BE \$2,500.00.

UPON A MOTION BY COUNCILMAN KLAGES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BLAISE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED IT WAS

#26 RESOLVED: THAT SUPERVISOR MORROW MOVE FORWARD WITH SIGNING OF CONTRACTS WITH STEVE LAMERE FROM ADIRONDACK ECOLOGISTS, LLC FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES.

SUPERVISOR MORROW INFORMED THE BOARD THAT THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT A GRANT MAY BE AVAILABLE FOR STUDYING INVASIVE SPECIES THROUGH DEC. HE WOULD RESEARCH.

SUPERVISOR MORROW INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT RYAN BURNS IS CONTINUING TO WORK ON AUGAR LAKE DAM PROJECT.

THE TOWN OF ESSEX WOULD LIKE A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT TO ENCOURAGE LCT FERRIES TO CHANGE THEIR LAST FERRY LEAVING FROM ESSEX, N.Y. TO CHARLOTTE VT. FROM 9:30P.M. TO 10:30P.M.

UPON A MOTION BY COUNCILMAN BARBER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN GLOAD AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED IT WAS

#27 RESOLVED: THAT THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD, COUNTY OF ESSEX, AND THEIR CONSTITUENTS, URGE THE LAKE CHAMPLAIN TRANSPORTATION COMPANY TO EXTEND THEIR SUMMER HOURS FOR THE LAST FERRY DEPARTURE FROM ESSEX, NEW YORK, FROM 9:30P.M. TO 10:30P.M. DURING THE SUMMER SEASON.

UPON A MOTION BY COUNCILMAN BLAISE AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN KLAGES AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED IT WAS

#28 RESOLVED: THAT THE CHESTERFIELD TOWN BOARD, AS THE ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TOWN'S RESIDENTS DO HERE-BY RESPECTFULLY URGE THAT THE **NEWYORK STATE LEGISLATURE** TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO REPEAL THE 2016 AMMENDMENTS TO SECTION #425 OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX, THEREBY RETURNING STAR TO ITS ORIGINAL EXEMPTION STATUS.

UPON A MOTION BY COUNCILMAN KLAGES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BARBER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED IT WAS

#29 RESOLVED: THAT HARVEY LECUYER BE APPROVED TO ATTEND THE NORTHERN ADIRONDACK CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICALS ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE FROM MARCH 6-9, 2017 IN LAKE PLACID, NEW YORK. THE COST IS \$285.00 PLUS MILEAGE.

UPON A MOTION BY COUNCILMAN GLOAD AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BLAISE AAND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED IT WAS

#30 RESOLVED: THAT PATRICK BILL MITCHELL BE APPROVED TO ATTEND THE NORTHERN ADIRONDACK CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICALS ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE FROM MARCH 6-9, 2017 IN LAKE PLACID, NEW YORK. THE COST IS \$285.00 PLUS MILEAGE.

SUPERVISOR MORROW INFORMED EVERYONE THAT ALL EXEMPTIONS MUST BE FILED WITH THE TOWN ASSESSOR BY MARCH 1, 2017.

THE TOWN CLERK INFORMED EVERYONE THAT ESSEX COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT WILL BE HOLDING THEIR ANNUAL RABIES CLINIC ON MARCH 14, 2017 FROM 6-7 P.M. AT THE TOWN GARAGE. THE CLERK ALSO REMINDED EVERYONE THAT IF ANIMAL HAS HAD PREVIOUS VACCINATION THE OWNER MUST BRING PROOF TO QUALIFY FOR 3 YEAR VACCINE.

UPON A MOTION BY COUNCILMAN BARBER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN GLOAD AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED IT WAS

#31 RESOLVED: THAT THE SUPERVISOR'S FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2017 BE ACCEPTED. THE FINANCIAL REPORT CAN BE FOUND ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK.

UPON A MOTION BY COUNCILMAN BLAISE AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN GLOAD AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED IT WAS

#32 RESOLVED: THAT ALL AUDITED BILLS PRESENTED TO THE TOWN BOARD BE PAID. BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,673.51 WERE AUDITED AND PAID FROM THE GENERAL FUND; CLAIMS WERE NUMBERED FROM 13-38. BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,803.79 WERE AUDITED AND PAID FROM THE HIGHWAY FUND; CLAIMS WERE NUMBERED FROM 7-29. BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,458.31 WERE AUDITED AND PAID FROM THE PKWD FUND; CLAIMS WERE NUMBERED 12-16. BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,239.78 WERE AUDITED AND PAID FROM TCWD FUND; CLAIMS WERE NUMBERED 17-35.

UPON A MOTION BY COUNCILMAN BARBER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN GLOAD AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED IT WAS

#33 RESOLVED: THAT ALL LETTERS BROUGHT BEFORE THE TOWN BOARD BE FILED.

SUPERVISOR MORROW OFFERED THE COURTESY OF THE FLOOR TO TODD HODGSON FROM AES; HE SPOKE ON THE CHESTERFIELD WATER PROJECT. THE OPEN DISCUSSION WITH THE TOWN BOARD INCLUDED NEEDED GALLONS PER MINUTE OF WATER, CRITERIA FOR BEST FUNCTIONING WELLS, TYPES OF DRILLING AND THE CONTINUED SEARCH FOR MORE GRANT MONIES.

SUPERVISOR MORROW INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT TODD WOULD SOON BE TAKING A JOB WITH THE ESSEX COUNTY DPW AS THEIR ENGINEER. HE STATED THE COUNTY AND TOWN ARE FORTUNATE TO HAVE SOMEONE OF TODD'S CALIPER WORKING FOR US.

SUPERVISOR MORROW OFFERED THE COURTESY OF THE FLOOR TO THE BOARD MEMBERS.

COUNCILMAN GLOAD INFORMED EVERYONE THAT APPLICATIONS FOR HOMETOWN HEROES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE TOWN OFFICE.

SUPT. OF HIGHWAYS PRAY INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT ADVOCACY DAY IN ALBANY, NEW YORK WAS MARCH 7TH AND 8TH. HE WELCOMED ALL BOARD MEMBERS TO ATTEND; APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE FILED BY FEBRUARY 21ST. HE STATED IT IS A WORTHWHILE TRIP.

SUPT. OF HIGHWAY PRAY INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT BULK TANKS FROM OGS SURPLUS EXCEED QUALIFICATIONS; BUT CAN NOT BE CERTIFIED. HE HAS BEEN RESEARCHING NEW TANKS AND THE COST IS APPROXIMATELY \$3000.00.

SUPT. OF HIGHWAYS PRAY INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT HE FOUND A CAB AND CHASSIS FOR THE SMALL DUMP TRUCK. HE IS STILL GETTING QUOTES FOR THE BOX.

UPON A MOTION BY COUNCILMAN KLAGES AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BARBER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED IT WAS

#34 RESOLVED: THAT THE SUPT. OF HIGHWAYS BE APPROVED TO SPEND UP TO \$3000.00 ON BULK TANKS AND UP TO \$10,000.00 ON EQUIPMENT NEEDED FOR THE SMALL TRUCK BOX, CAB AND CHASSIS.

SUPT. OF HIGHWAYS PRAY REMINDED EVERYONE TO PLEASE ABSTAIN FROM PARKING ON FRONT STREET DURING A SNOW STORM. IT IS HAZARDOUS AND VEHICLES WILL BE TOWED AWAY.

SUPERVISOR MORROW REMINDED EVERYONE THAT TRASH CANS ON FRONT STREET ARE NOT FOR TENANTS TO USE. HE WILL ASK BARBARA DAVIDSON TO REMIND ALL TENANTS.

SUPERVISOR MORROW INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT HE WAS ASKED TO SPEAK ON VILLAGE DISSOLUTION AT A MEETING IN GLENS FALLS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE. THERE ARE CURRENTLY THREE TOWNS GOING THROUGH THE PROCESS. HE STATED THAT THE MEETING WAS PRODUCTIVE. HE FEELS THAT OUR TRANSITION HAS BEEN SMOOTH, LOSE OF SERVICES TO VILLAGE

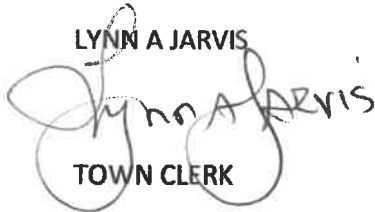
RESIDENT'S WAS MINIMAL BECAUSE TOWNS HAD PREVIOUSLY PICKED UP MANY SERVICES, ROADS AND SIGNAGE HAS IMPROVED. CONTINUED IMPROVEMENTS ARE BEING MADE.

SUPERVISOR MORROW INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT HE LEARNED THAT SENATOR LITTLE'S OFFICE HAS EQUIPMENT GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR UP TO \$100,000.00. THE TOWN COULD USE A TRUCK FOR WATER DEPARTMENT OR AN EXCAVATOR. SUPERVISOR MORROW WILL APPLY AND SUBMIT NECESSARY SPECS TO THE PURCHASING OFFICE.

UPON A MOTION BY COUNCILMAN GLOAD AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BARBER AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED IT WAS

#35 RESOLVED: THAT WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE TOWN BOARD THIS MEETING COULD BE ADJOURNED AT 7:53P.M.

LYNN A JARVIS

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lynn A. Jarvis". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with large loops.

TOWN CLERK