

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD TOWN BOARD
MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 3, 2017 AT THE TOWN OFFICE ON THE
CORNER OF CLINTON AND VINE STREETS, IN KEESEVILLE, 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:	RUSSELL L. BLAISE
COUNCILMAN:	DAVID P. GLOAD
COUNCILMAN:	RICHARD J. KLAGES
COUNCILMAN:	CLAYTON J. BARBER
SUPT. OF HWYS.	PHILIP W. PRAY
TOWN ATTORNEY:	MICHAEL J. MCCORMICK

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE:

NANCY DELZIO

STEVEN GOOGIN

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

#117 RESOLVED: THAT THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 5, 2017 BE DISPENSED WITH.

SUPERVISOR MORROW OFFERED THE COURTESY OF THE FLOOR TO THE GUESTS. NO ONE WISHED TO SPEAK AT THIS TIME

SUPERVISOR MORROW INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT THE TOWN CLERK HAD BEEN PRESENTED WITH THE 2018 TENTATIVE BUDGET.

SUPERVISOR MORROW INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT THE BUDGET WAS WITHIN THE New York STATE TAX CAP. THE HEALTH INSURANCE IS UP 9.1%, LIABILITY INSURANCE IS UP 2%, RAISES OF 3% WERE GIVEN TO ALL HIRED HELP, And NO RAISES WERE GIVEN TO ELECTED OFFICALS. THE COURT SYSTEM REVENUES ARE DOWN APPROXIMATELY \$40,000.

SUPERVISOR MORROW STATED THAT SINCE ASSESSED VALUE IN THE TOWN IS UP, AND WITH USE OF UNEXPENDED FUND BALANCES HE WAS ABLE TO KEEP BUDGET WITHIN TAX CAP. THE GENERAL FUND IS DOWN 2.02% AND HIGHWAY IS DOWN 3.13%.

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

#118 RESOLVED: THAT THE TENTATIVE TOWN BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2018 BE ACCEPTED.

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

#119 RESOLVED: THAT THE TOWN BUDGET WORKSHOP FOR THE 2018 TOWN BUDGET BE SET FOR OCTOBER 19, 2018 AT 4:30P.M.

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

#120 RESOLVED: THAT SINCE ELECTION DAY FALLS ON THE FIRST TUESDAY IN NOVEMBER THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING FOR THE

TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD WILL BE CHANGED TO NOVEMBER 9, 2018 AT 7:00P.M., WITH THE PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD AT 6:30P.M.

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

#121 RESOLVED: THAT A FALL BRUSH AND LEAF PICKUP WILL BE SCHEDULED IN OCTOBER FOR THE HAMLET OF KEESEVILLE.

SUPERVISOR MORROW INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT MORRISONVILLE/ EARTH WASTE SYSTEMS WILL TAKE AIR CONDITIONERS AT THE FEE OF \$10.00 AND REFRIDGERATORS AT A FEE OF \$15.00. A FEE WILL NEED TO BE CHARGED AT OUR COMPACT STATION TO OFFSET THE COST. A DISCUSSION WAS HELD REGARDING PRICING.

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

#122 RESOLVED: THAT A FEE OF \$10.00 FOR AIR CONDITIONERS AND A FEE OF \$15.00 FOR REFRIDGERATORS WOULD BE CHARGED AT THE TOWN'S COMPACT STATION.

SUPERVISOR MORROW INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT A RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S SUPPORTING STATEWIDE CONSTITUTIONAL AMMENDMENT BALLOT PROPOSAL # 3 THAT CREATES A LAND ACCOUNT TO ADDRESS SPECIFIC PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY CONCERNS FOR USE BY TOWNS, VILLAGES AND COUNTIES HAVING NO VIABLE ALTERNATIVE OTHER THAN USING FOREST PRESERVE LAND.

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

#123 RESOLVED: THAT THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD TOWN BOARD SUPPORTS THE STATEWIDE BALLOT PROPOSAL #3 THAT WILL CREATE A LAND ACCOUNT TO ADDRESS SPECIFIC PUBLIC HEALTH

AND SAFETY CONCERNS FOR USE BY TOWNS, VILLAGES AND COUNTIES HAVING NO VIABLE ALTERNATIVE OTHER THAN USING FOREST PRESERVE LAND; AND

WHEREAS, THAT STATE FOREST PRESERVE LANDS, IN MANY INSTANCES, BORDER LOCAL AND STATE HIGHWAYS WHERE LOCAL GOVERNMENT NEEDS TO USE A PORTION OF THAT LAND TO STRAIGHTEN A DANGEROUS ROAD, REPLACE A CULVERT TO PREVENT FLOODS, CREATE A SAFER BIKE PATH, DRILL A WATER SUPPLY WELL OR INSTALL BROADBAND AND OTHER CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE; AND

WHEREAS, THE PROPOSED AMMENDMENT WILL CREATE A LAND ACCOUNT WITH UP TO 250 ACRES OF FOREST PRESERVE LAND ELIGIBLE FOR USE BY TOWNS, VILLAGES AND COUNTIES THAT HAVE NO VIABLE ALTERNATIVE TO USING FOREST PRESERVE LAND TO ADDRESS SPECIFIC PUBLIC HEALTH OR SAFETY CONCERNS; AND

WHEREAS, AS IN EXCHANGE FOR THE LAND REMOVED FROM THE FOREST PRESERVE, ANOTHER 250 ACRES OF LAND WILL BE ADDED TO THE FOREST PRESERVE, SUBJECT TO LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL; AND

WHEREAS, THE PROPOSED AMMENDMENT ALSO WILL ALLOW BICYCLE TRAILS AND CERTAIN PUBLIC UTILITY LINES TO BE LOCATED WITH THE WIDTH OF SPECIFIED HIGHWAYS THAT CROSS FOREST PRESERVE WHILE MINIMIZING REMOVAL OF TREES AND VEGETATION; AND

WHEREAS, THE STATE CONSTITUTION HAS BEEN AMMENDED TO ALLOW SUCH PROJECTS IN THE PAST REQUIRING APPROVAL BY TWO SEPERATELY ELECTED STATE LEGISLATURES AND A STATEWIDE REFERENDUM; AND

WHEREAS, THERE EXISTS CURRENTLY A NYS DOT LANDBANK FOR STATE ROAD PROJECTS WHICH HAS A LONG STANDING TRACK RECORDS OF SUCCESS; AND

WHEREAS, IF APPROVED BY VOTERS, BALLOT PROPOSITION #3 WOULD ELIMINATE THE TIME CONSUMING AND COSTLY BUREAUCRATIC PROCESS FOR COMPLETING IMPORTANT ROAD MAINTENANCE, UTILITY INSTALLATION AND BICYCLE PATH CREATION PROJECTS IN THE ADIRONDACKS AND CATSKILLS, A PROCESS NOT FACED BY COMMUNITIES IN ANY OTHER PART OF THE STATE; AND

WHEREAS, THE AMMENDMENT HAS WIDE BI-PARTISAN SUPPORT FROM LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ORGANIZATIONS, BUSINESS GROUPS, RECREATIONAL ENTHUSIASTS AND OTHERS FOR TWO SIMPLE REASONS; IT IS FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD AND IT IS ROOTED IN PLAIN OLD COMMON SENSE; AND

WHEREAS, THIS AMMENDMENT REPRESENTS THE BEST SOLUTION TO LONG STANDING OR CONTINUING ISSUES WHICH LOCAL GOVERNMENTS LEADERS HAVE WORKED FOR MANY YEARS TO RESOLVE; AND

WHEREAS, BALLOT PROPOSAL #3 WARRANTS THE SUPPORT OF THE VOTERS OF New York STATE; AND

WHEREAS, THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD TOWN BOARD DOES HEREBY SUPPORT BALLOT PROPOSAL #3, WHICH IS DEEMED CRITICALLY IMPORTANT TO OUR COMMUNITIES, THE FOREST PRESERVE, THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: THAT CERTIFIED COPIES OF THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BE FORWARDED TO NYSAC, ADIRONDACK INTER-COUNTY, WESTERN INTER-COUNTY AND ALL 16 COUNTIES OF THE ADIRONDACKS AND CATSKILLS.

SUPERVISOR MORROW GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE TOWN OF CHESTERFIELD WATER PROJECT. DAVID WINTERS AND HIS CREW CLEARED THE AMVETS PROPERTY AND IT IS READY FOR DRILLING. THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT CLEARED COMMERCE PARK SITE.

LAYNE DRILLING WILL START AT AMVET SITE AND IF GOOD WILL MOVE TO COMMERCE PARK, THEN BUTTERNUT POND FOR WHICH DEC HAS GIVEN APPROVAL FOR CROSSING OF WETLANDS.

SUPERVISOR MORROW GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE AUGUR LAKE DAM PROJECT. THE DAM HAS BEEN COMPLETED IT IS HOWEVER, STILL AN ACTIVE WORK ZONE AREA. THE FORMS HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE DAM, GRADING IS BEING DONE, SIPHONES HAVE BEEN STOPPED AND WATER LEVEL IS BEING MONITORED. THE LAKE IS VERY LOW AND WE NEED RAIN.

SUPERVISOR MORROW INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT THE TOWN CLERK'S COMPUTER WHICH IS ALSO USED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR NEEDS TO BE UPDATED. SUPERVISOR MORROW PRESENTED QUOTES TO THE TOWN BOARD. DISCUSSION WAS HELD.

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

#124 RESOLVED: THAT A NEW DELL COMPUTER AND MONITOR BE PURCHASED FOR THE TOWN CLERK AND TAX COLLECTOR OFFICE FROM THIS YEARS BUDGET AT THE COST OF \$1,105.23.

SUPERVISOR MORROW INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT SOMEONE WAS BEING HIGHLY OUT SPOKEN ON FACEBOOK ABOUT OUR DOG CONTROL OFFICER. THE NEGATIVE INFORMATION IS UNWARRANTED AND HE PERSONALLY FEELS THAT STEVE JOHNSON DOES A GREAT JOB, TO WHICH THE TOWN BOARD AGREED.

SUPERVISOR MORROW INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT THERE WAS A FREE PLANNING BOARD OVERVIEW PRESENTATION IN ELIZABETHTOWN ON SEPTEMBER 14, 2017 AND FOUR MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING BOARD AND TWO MEMBERS OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS WERE ABLE TO ATTEND. ALL THAT ATTENDED FOUND THE PRESENTATION INFORMATIVE AND WERE SATISFIED WITH THE INFORMATION THAT THEY RECEIVED.

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

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

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

#126 RESOLVED: THAT ALL BILLS PRESENTED TO THE TOWN BOARD BE PAID. BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$42,542.99 WERE AUDITED AND PAID FROM THE HIGHWAY ACCOUNT; CLAIMS WERE NUMBERED FROM 155 TO 169. BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,447.32 WERE AUDITED AND PAID FROM THE GENERAL FUND; CLAIMS WERE NUMBERED FROM 167 TO 187. BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,896.17 WERE AUDITED AND PAID FROM THE PKWD FUND; CLAIMS WERE NUMBERED FROM 179 TO 185. BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,595.56 WERE AUDITED AND PAID FROM THE TCWD FUND; CLAIMS WERE NUMBERED FROM 186 TO 205.

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

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

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

TOWN CLERK JARVIS THANKED THE TOWN BOARD FOR APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF A NEW COMPUTER FOR HER OFFICE.

COUNCILMAN BARBER INFORMED THE BOARD THAT HE ATTENDED THE YOUTH COMMISSION MEETING. THE YOUTH COMMISSION IS LOOKING TO PURCHASE SOME NEW EQUIPMENT FOR SKATING PROGRAM. SUPERVISOR MORROW SUGGESTED THAT MORE INFORMATION BE PRESENTED TO THE TOWN BOARD.

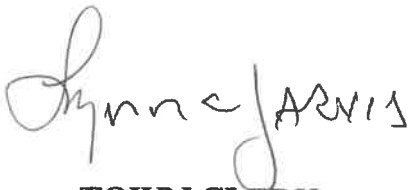
SUPT. OF HIGHWAYS PRAY INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT PAVING WOULD BE DONE ON AUGUR LAKE ROAD ON 10/10/ 2017. SUPERVISOR MORROW STATED THAT THE PAVING COULD BE DELAYED UNTIL 10/16/2017 SECONDARY TO COUNTY SCHEDULE.

SUPT. OF HIGHWAYS INFORMED THE TOWN BOARD THAT THERE WOULD BE SOME CHIPS MONIES LEFT AND HE WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE A SKID STEER TO BE USED FOR CLEARING SIDEWALKS; APPROXIMATE PURCHASE PRICE WOULD BE \$24,000.00.

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

#128 RESOLVED: THAT WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE TOWN BOARD, THIS MEETING COULD BE ADJOURNED AT 7:29P.M.

LYNN A. JARVIS

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lynn A. Jarvis". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

TOWN CLERK