



Town of Clinton
54 East Main Street
Clinton, Connecticut 06413

**Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes Hybrid
Wednesday, July 17, 2024
Town Hall Green Room**

In Attendance: Chairman Carrie Allen, Chris Passante, Michael Shove (participated virtually), Hank Teskey, Chris Aniskovich and Dennis Donovan
Absent: Brian Roccapriore
Also participated: Michelle Benivegna, Town Manager

C. Allen called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Dennis Donovan led the council in the pledge of allegiance.

VISITORS

Todd Hajek, Director of Public works, informed the council that several trees on Liberty Green will be coming down soon.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JULY 03, 2024

C. Passante made a motion, seconded by C. Aniskovich to approve the minutes from July 03, 2024. The motion was unanimously approved.

APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

D. Donovan made a motion, seconded by C. Aniskovich to appoint Katherine McCollom (D) to the Board of Ethics for a term until June 30, 2026. The motion was unanimously approved.

H. Teskey made a motion, seconded by C. Passante to appoint Lucy Crescenzi (D) to the Harbor Commission for a term until June 30, 2028. The motion was unanimously approved.

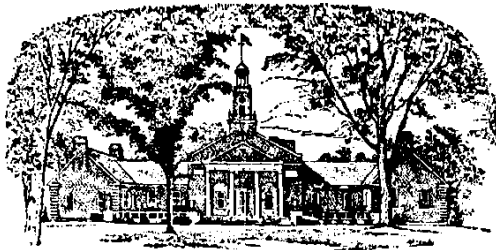
H. Teskey made a motion, seconded by C. Passante to move Terry Clark from an alternate seat to a full seat on the Historic District Commission for a term until June 30, 2028. The motion was unanimously approved.

H. Teskey made a motion, seconded by D. Donovan to appoint Robert Corson (R) and Paul Gebauer (D) to the Blight Hearing Board. The motion was unanimously approved.

REAPPOINTMENTS

C. Aniskovich made a motion, seconded by D. Donovan to reappoint Joan Ulate (U) to the Conservation Commission for a term until June 30, 2026. The motion was unanimously approved.

C. Aniskovich made a motion, seconded by D. Donovan to reappoint Regina Wohlke (U) to the Housing Authority for a term until June 30, 2029. The motion was unanimously approved.



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ARPA ALLOCATION OF \$250,000 FOR THE CLINTON TOWN BEACH

D. Donovan made a motion, seconded by C. Aniskovich to allow the Town Manager to enter into an agreement with the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection for a total ARPA Allocation of \$250,000 for the Clinton Town Beach. The motion was unanimously approved.

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION RESCINDING APPROPRIATION AND BOND AUTHORIZATION

C. Aniskovich made a motion, seconded by C. Passante to approve a resolution rescinding an appropriation and bond authorization. The motion was unanimously approved.

**TOWN OF CLINTON TOWN
COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

RESOLUTION RESCINDING APPROPRIATION AND BOND AUTHORIZATION

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2011, the Town of Clinton (the "Town") authorized an appropriation and bond authorization in the amount of \$9,380,000 (the "Resolution") to fund costs related to various infrastructure improvement projects (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2013, the Town issued its general obligation bonds (the "2013 Bonds") whereby \$6,000,000 was issued to fund the costs of the Project; and

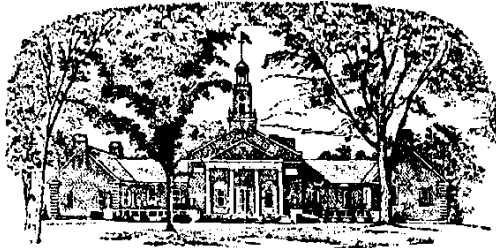
WHEREAS, on February 11, 2014, the Town issued its general obligation bonds (the "2014 Bonds") in the amount of \$1,995,000 to fund the costs of the Project; and

WHEREAS, between the 2013 Bonds and the 2014 Bonds, the Town has issued a total of \$7,995,000 to fund the costs of the Project to date, and accordingly, \$1,385,000 remains appropriated but unissued under the Resolution;

WHEREAS, the Project is completed, the Town does not anticipate further spending on the Project or further issuance of bonds to fund the Project, and as such, the Town wishes to rescind the remainder of the Resolution's appropriation and bond authorization in the amount of \$1,385,000;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Town Manager:

The remaining appropriation and bond authorization in the amount of \$1,385,000 is hereby rescinded and the Director of Finance is hereby directed to make the appropriate entries in the Town's financial records related to the Project.



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AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION REGARDING LIBERTY BANK

D. Donovan made a motion, seconded by C. Passante to approve a resolution authorizing Michelle Benivegna, the Town Manager and Robert Tait, the Finance Director, to act in accordance with all aspects of banking relationships with Liberty Bank. The motion was unanimously approved.

Liberty Bank, Town of Clinton accounts:

Account #	Account Name	Account Type	Account Purpose
6576647524	Grimm Scholarship	Money Market	Scholarships issued by Morgan (fund 53)
417040253	P & R Peters Estate	Checking	Funds set aside for Peter's Complex (fund 50)
201093693	Youth Recreation	CD	Funds set aside for Peter's Complex (fund 50)
417507097	E.Hidek Scholarship	Savings	Annual Scholarship (fund 54)
417507658	Money Market	Money Market	General Fund investments (fund 01)
1009579729	State Asset Forfeiture	Savings	State asset forfeiture funds (fund 43)
1009579737	Fed Asset Forfeiture	Savings	Federal asset forfeiture funds (fund 43)

WPCC LINE ITEM TRANSFER

H. Teskey made a motion, seconded by D. Donovan to approve the WPCC line item transfer request to decrease \$5,408.75 from pump out boat FY24 and increase Surface Water Testing by \$5,408.75. The motion was unanimously approved.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Robert Tait, Finance Director, reviewed his monthly financial report with the council.

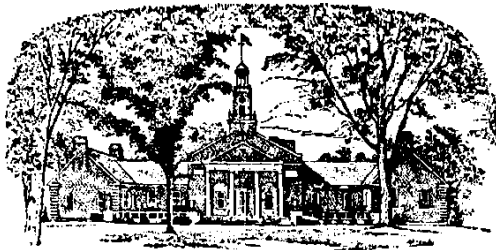
CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

C. Allen had nothing new to report at this time.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

M. Benivegna reported on the following topics.

- FY24 COPS Technology and Equipment Program Grant Application has been submitted in the amount of \$600,000 for the Radio Project.
- M. Benivegna started negotiations with Clerical and Public Works. Their contracts expired on June 30, 2024.
- M. Benivegna met with Eversource regarding process for storm related emergencies as well as energy efficient services available to residents.
- M. Benivegna met with Matt Kennedy and Kristie Wagner from WPCC.
- M. Benivegna attended the Clinton Summerfest and Fireworks meeting.
- Code Enforcement meetings will be held monthly with the Police Chief, Building Official, Planner, Zoning Enforcement Officer, Fire Marshal and Health Department.
- Economic Development Coordinator position will be posted next week.
- Library Tech Guide position has been hired with the use of ARPA funds.



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- M. Benivegna met with John Sullivan, Loureiro Engineering, for an update on the Landfill Capping Project.
- Website improvement meeting was held this week. Individual employee photos will be taken and uploaded to department pages.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Human Services Advisory Board is in need of members.

TOWN COUNCIL COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

C. Passante talked about various Park & Recreation projects.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – REAL ESTATE, PURSUANT TO CGS 1-200- (6) (D)

C. Aniskovich made a motion, seconded by H. Teskey to enter into executive session at 7:28 PM and invite M. Schettino and M. Benivegna. The motion was unanimously approved.

The council came out of executive session at 7:33 PM. No action was taken by the council.

ADJOURN

C. Aniskovich made a motion, seconded by H. Teskey and unanimously adjourned the meeting 7:34 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Schettino
Executive Assistant
Town Manager