

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

Flag Salute

Roll Call: Present - Duffy, Insel, Pender, Shea, Valenta, Mayor Schaumburg  
Absent - Ragozine

**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 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 Mr. Pender, to approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held on June 24, 2008.

Vote all ayes  
1 Abstention (Insel)  
Motion carried

**APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS**

A motion was made by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mrs. Insel, to accept the monthly reports for the month of June as submitted:

Assessor’s Report, Clerk’s Account, Cat & Dog Licensing Accounts, Construction Control/Inspection Report, Police Report, Sewer Collector’s Report, Tax Collector’s Report, Water Collector’s Report, Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent’s Report.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Whitney Wetherill, 36 West Main Street, commented on problems with littering that occurred again on Main Street over the past weekend. Mayor Schaumburg responded that she had spoken to Chief Matheis today and Council will be addressing his suggestions for curbing the problems, especially those occurring after hours.

**MAYOR’S COMMENTS**

1. Chief Matheis has asked Council to consider amendments to the Town Code, Chapter 105 (Parks), to include establishing hours of operation for each park. This could be “Dawn to Dusk” for the parks and appropriate hours of operation for the Community Center and facilities. He also would like Council to consider a ban on smoking in public

in certain areas of the Town for those under 19 years of age. Attorney Cushing will look into the legality of this.

Councilman Shea suggested the use of security cameras in some places and would discuss this and the park hours at the July 17<sup>th</sup> Parks and Playgrounds Meeting. Mayor Schaumburg mentioned that Chief Matheis be asked to send documentation or attend this meeting to express his concerns and suggestions.

2. Knights of Columbus have requested a waiver of the \$42.00 fire permit fee for the Newcomers Club Chili Cook-off, September 27, 2008, at the Clinton Resque Squad. A motion was made by Mr. Duffy, seconded by Mrs. Insel, that the fee be waived.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Duffy, Insel, Pender, Shea, Valenta, Mayor Schaumburg.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

3. **RAFFLE APPLICATION – NEWCOMERS CLUB OF NORTH HUNTERDON**  
Council is in receipt of a 50/50 raffle application for the Newcomers Club of North Hunterdon, to be held on September 27, 2008 at the Clinton First Aid and Rescue Squad Building. A motion was made by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mrs. Valenta, to approve the request as submitted.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT- LITIGATION SERVICES – COAH**

A motion was made by Mrs. Insel, seconded by Mr. Shea, to approve the Shared Service Agreement between the Township of Clinton and the Town of Clinton for litigation expense and representation with a legal challenge to the validity of COAH regulations.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Duffy, Insel, Pender, Shea, Valenta, Mayor Schaumburg

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE #08-07 DEFINED CONTRIBUTION BENEFITS PROGRAM**

Kathy Olsen, CFO, explained the changes in the retirement program for new hires of various county and municipal officials. A motion was made by Mr. Pender, seconded by Mrs. Valenta, to introduce Ordinance #08-07 on first reading as submitted:

ORDINANCE #08-07  
ORDINANCE FOR DETERMINING POSITIONS ELIGIBLE FOR  
THE DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT PROGRAM

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

A copy of this ordinance will be published in the Hunterdon Review edition of July 16, 2008. A public hearing will be held August 12, 2008.

(A copy of this ordinance is attached to these minutes)

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE #08-08 – SIGN ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS**

Attorney Cushing explained the revisions to the sign ordinance that now covers both billboards, free speech signs and the approval process for standing signs and off-site temporary signs. Council discussed and agreed to amend the ordinance by deleting the paragraph, under Approval Process, Page 17, O.3, (b), 2.

A motion was made by Mrs. Insel, seconded by Mr. Shea, to introduce Ordinance #08-08 on first reading as amended:

ORDINANCE #08-08  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF CLINTON AMENDING SECTION 88  
OF THE LAND USE CODE OF THE TOWN OF CLINTON

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

A copy of this ordinance will be published in the Hunterdon Review edition of July 23, 2008. A public hearing will be held on August 12, 2008.

(A copy of this ordinance is attached to these minutes)

**INTRODUCTION OF BOND ORDINANCE - #08-09 CLINTON KNOLLS WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT, PHASE II**

Mr. Cutter explained that Phase II consists of replacement of water mains at Messig Road and Busher Place. Mr. Shea suggested, as the bid opening is scheduled for July 30 and the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting is not until August 12, that a Special Meeting be scheduled for an earlier date to award the bid. Mr. Cutter will coordinate the date with the engineer. A motion was made by Mr. Pender, seconded by Mrs. Insel, to introduce Ordinance #08-09 on first reading:

ORDINANCE #08-09  
BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS  
TO THE WATER UTILITY OF THE TOWN OF CLINTON, IN THE  
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING THE  
AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF \$855,000, INCLUDING THE  
AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF \$435,000 FROM VARIOUS RESERVE  
FUNDS, THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF  
\$420,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN TO FINANCE PART  
OF THE COST THEREOF

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

A copy of this Ordinance will be published in the Courier News edition of July 12, 2008.  
A public hearing will be held July 22, 2008.

(A copy of this Ordinance is attached to these minutes)

**RESOLUTION #94-08 – 2009 STATE AID APPLICATIONS – RACHEL COURT AND UNION ROAD RECONSTRUCTION**

In support of the grant application, Mayor Schaumburg stated that she will ask Chief Matheis to write a letter to NJDOT explaining how Union Road is impacted by the use of Route 78 commuters. She will write a letter as well. A motion was made by Mrs. Insel, seconded by Mr. Shea, to approve Resolution #94-08 for approval to submit the grant applications and execute a grant agreement with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for improvements to Rachel Court and Union Road.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

(A copy of this Resolution is attached to these minutes)

**RESOLUTION #95-08 – UNMUFFLED ENGINE BRAKING**

A motion was made by Mr. Duffy, seconded by Mrs. Insel, to adopt Resolution #95-08 urging the NJDEP and the Legislature to adopt laws and regulations regarding truck noise and muffler system modifications.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

(A copy of this Resolution is attached to these minutes)

**RESOLUTION #96-08 – APPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM BRINTON, ESQ – SPECIAL COUNSEL PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT**

With reference to the issue of billboards as previously discussed in amendments to the Sign Ordinance, Attorney Cushing recommended that Council enter into a Professional Services Agreement with William Brinton, Esq. Mr. Brinton will review Town records and provide consultation services regarding constitutional issues. A motion was made by Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. Duffy, to adopt Resolution #96-08 to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with William Brinton, Esq. as Special Counsel and authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to sign the Agreement.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Duffy, Insel, Pender, Shea, Valenta, Mayor Schaumburg

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

(A copy of this Resolution is attached)

### **REFUND OF ROAD OPENING PERMITS**

CFO, Kathy Olsen has submitted a list of refunds for road opening permits. A motion was made by Mrs. Insel, seconded by Mr. Shea, to approve the refunds as submitted.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Duffy, Insel, Pender, Shea, Valenta, Mayor Schaumburg

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

(A copy of list of refunds is attached to these minutes)

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

### **REPORTS FROM COUNCIL & TOWN OFFICIALS**

#### **Robert A. Cutter, PW/ Bus/ Administrator**

1. Mr. Cutter commended Daniel McTiernan, Clinton First Aid & Rescue Squad, for a spectacular job with workmen's compensation and is impressed with his attention to safety.

#### **Kathy Olsen, CFO**

1. The Summer Recreation Program has the need to hire an additional substitute and has submitted the name of Michelle Shannon. A motion was made by Mr. Duffy, seconded by Mr. Shea, to approve the hiring of Michelle Shannon as an additional substitute for the Summer Recreation Program.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Duffy, Insel, Pender, Shea, Valenta, Mayor Schaumburg.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

#### **Councilman Pender**

1. Hunterdon County Hazard Waste Cleanup Day is scheduled for Sat., July 12, 2008, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the County Complex.

#### **Councilwoman Valenta**

1. The Clinton First Aid & Rescue Squad has a new President, Angela Dean, former Vice President. Mr. McTiernan has resigned.

#### **Councilman Shea**

1. Reminder of two events being held in Town this Sunday, July 13 – Rubber Duckie Race, 2:00 p.m., and Sprintin' Clinton, 6:00 p.m.
2. Mr. Shea commended Mr. Cutter and the Town Public Works Crew for doing a wonderful job in sprucing up the ball fields and suggested a photo of Mr. Cutter and the crew be published in the next issue of the Town's newsletter.

**Mayor Schaumburg**

1. A meeting will be held tomorrow morning, July 9, to begin discussing plans for the renovation work to be done to the Town's Police Headquarters.

**APPROVAL OF STANDBY AND OVERTIME**

A motion was made by Mrs. Insel, seconded by Mr. Duffy, to approve the standby and overtime pay as submitted for June 16, 2008 through June 26, 2008.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Duffy, Insel, Pender, Shea, Valenta, Mayor Schaumburg

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

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

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Duffy, Insel, Pender, Shea, Valenta, Mayor Schaumburg

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Pender, seconded by Mr. Shea, to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

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Sara J. Peterson, RMC  
Deputy Town Clerk

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Christine Schaumburg, Mayor