Regular Council Meeting January 25, 2005

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

Flag Salute.

Roll Call: Present – Christenson, Garber, Pendergast, Schaumburg Absent - De Cleene, Kovach, Mayor Holt

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

Councilman Christenson 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 Mrs. Garber, seconded by Mrs. Pendergast, to approve the minutes of January 11, 2005 as submitted.

Vote all ayes Motion carried

APPROVAL OF BUDGET MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Mrs. Pendergast, seconded by Mrs. Garber, to approve the Budget Meeting Workshop minutes of January 13, 2005 as submitted.

Vote all ayes
1 Abstention (Schaumburg)
Motion carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Schaumburg, seconded by Mrs. Pendergast, to approve the Budget Meeting Workshop minutes of January 20, 2005 as submitted.

Vote all ayes Motion carried

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENTS

Attorney Cushing explained that with the number of Professional Service Agreements and the documentation required, he would prepare the agreements for all professionals. All Agreements will be prepared and forwarded to the professional with instructions to attach the required documentation and return for approval at the next Council meeting, February 8, 2005.

RESOLUTION #32-05 - BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE SIGNING AUTHORIZATION

Nancy E. Smith explained that in the absence of the Mayor, Mrs. Pendergast is designated to sign checks and with approval of Resolution #32-05, be authorized to sign the Bond Anticipation Note dated January 28, 2005. A motion was made by Mrs. Schaumburg, seconded by Mrs. Garber to adopt Resolution #32-05 as submitted.

Vote all ayes Motion carried

CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. Acknowledgement received from Assemblywoman Connie Myers regarding our Resolution concerning safety issues on Interstate 78. Attached to the letter from Ms. Myers, was a letter from Jack Lettiere, New Jersey Department of Transportation Commissioner.
- 2. Letter received from Attorney, Al Rylak regarding closing of public streets for private parties.
- 3. Hunterdon County Planning Board Cross Acceptance has forwarded a notice of public hearings, February 8th and February 22, 2005. Due to both meetings occurring on a Council Meeting nights, a request was made to the citizen members to attend the meeting.
- 4. New Jersey Historic Trust is announcing that up to \$2.5 million in funding is available from the Historic Preservation Revolving Loan Fund in 2005.
- 5. Notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection, confirming the approval of the Municipal Stormwater Grant to the Town of Clinton.
- 6. Seminar information for "Pay to Play" Executive Order #134, a workshop of Government Officials has been distributed to Mayor and Council.
- Resignation letter received from Laurie Insel, Historic Commission member for 5 years.
 A motion to accept Ms. Insel's resignation with regrets was made by Mrs. Schaumburg, seconded by Mrs. Garber.

Vote all ayes Motion carried

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL & TOWN OFFICIALS

Robert A. Cutter, PW/Business Administrator

1. Mr. Cutter sent letters of commendation to the men for the excellent job they performed in clearing the snow during and following the recent snow storm. The men worked until 4:00 a.m. when they were allowed to go home, but were called back at 5:00 a.m. to fix a water main break at Clinton Public School.

Councilwoman Pendergast

- 1. Thank you to Mr. Cutter, the Public Works Department, and Acting Foreman, Wayne Smith for their quick response to icy road conditions on School Street. Residents attending a basketball game met with the conditions during the snow storm on Saturday. The road crew was summoned and promptly salted the roadway.
- 2. Personnel Committee met Wednesday, January 19th at 1:30 p.m. and will begin the evaluation process. Personnel Committee will be updating the Personnel Policy.
- 3. Parks and Playgrounds to meet January 27th at 7:30 p.m.
- 4. Clinton Town/Township Rabies Clinic was held on Saturday, January 15, 2005. 272 pets were given shots.

Councilwoman Schaumburg

1. The Historic Commission met and accepted Laurie Insel's resignation. Ms. Insel intends to continue helping the Commission whenever possible. One application has been received from

an interested resident, she has been invited to attend the next meeting. The Commission appointed a new chairperson, Craig Rogers.

Councilwoman Garber

- 1. Newsletter Committee would like to thank Kathy Sullivan for joining the Committee. The next newsletter deadline is scheduled for February 11th.
- 2. Clinton Guild next meeting February 16th at the Clinton Holiday Inn.

Councilwoman Kovach

Councilman Christenson

1. A letter has been received from town resident, Linda Damiano, along with an article from the Courier News addressing truck traffic and the projected increase in the coming years. Once again, the Environmental Commission will attempt to do a sound study and ask the New Jersey Department of Transportation to participate in sufficient testing and possible noise abatement.

Councilman De Cleene

Mayor Matthew Holt

RESOLUTION 33-05 – TRANSFER OF FUNDS

A motion was made by Mrs. Pendergast, seconded by Mr. Christenson, to approve Resolution #33-05 authorizing a Transfer of Funds.

Vote all ayes Motion carried

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

APPROVAL OF OVERTIME & STANDBY PAY:

A motion was made by Mrs. Pendergast, seconded by Mrs. Garber, to pay the following overtime and standby pay for the period of December 30, 2004 – January 12, 2005.

	Standby	B & G		
Public Works Department	& Lead Op	Roads	Water	Sewer
Peter Bross			7 ½ ot	
David Burdge	8 sb		13 ½ ot	
Michael Cobb				
Howard Deemer				
Arthur Dysart	8 sb		11 ot	
John Giordano				
George Moore			ř	
Robert Niezgoda	12 sb			6 ot/3 dt
Roger Plaisted			7 ½ ot	
Jeff Reed	8 sb			15 ot/3 dt
Wayne Smith	4 sb		7 ½ ot/3 dt	
Donald Tharp				6 ot
David Zyck				

Hours	Jobs
3 Hrs.	
9 Hrs.	
6 Hrs.	
	 3 Hrs. 9 Hrs. 6 Hrs.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Mrs. Garber, seconded by Mrs. Schaumburg, to approve the voucher list attached to these minutes.

Vote all ayes Motion carried

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: There being no further business, a motion was made by Mrs. Schaumburg, seconded by Mrs. Pendergast, to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

Vote all ayes Motion carried

Cecilia Covino, RMC/CMC
Town Clerk

APPROVED BY MAYOR & COUNCIL

J. Matthew Holt, Mayor