

Town of Clinton  
October 14, 2008  
Regular Council Meeting

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

Flag Salute.

Roll Call: Present – Duffy, Insel, Pender, Ragozine, Shea, Valenta, Mayor Schaumburg.

**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 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 Mr. Ragozine, seconded by Mrs. Insel, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held September 23, 2008 as submitted.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS**

A motion was made by Mr. Pender, seconded by Mr. Ragozine, to accept the Monthly Reports for the month of September as submitted: Assessor’s Report, Clerk’s Account, Cat and Dog Licensing Accounts, Construction Control/Inspection Report, Sewer Collector’s Report, Water Collector’s Report, Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent’s Report.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**MAYOR’S COMMENTS**

The Mayor introduced Clinton Fire Department Chief, Scott Wintermute, in attendance at tonight’s meeting. She announced his appointment as Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator, to replace Tom Whiteley who has resigned.

**RESOLUTION #118-08 – SUPPORT OF COUNTY REFERENDUM**

A motion was made by Mr. Ragozine, seconded by Mr. Shea, to adopt Resolution #118-08 supporting the County Referendum on the November 4<sup>th</sup> 2008 ballot to renew the Hunterdon County Open Space Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

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

**RESOLUTION #119-08 REDEMPTION PRIOR TO CERTIFICATE**

A motion was made by Mr. Ragozine, seconded by Mrs. Insel, to adopt Resolution #119-08 authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to issue a check for the amount paid necessary to redeem Tax Sale Redemption prior to Certificate Issued on Block 25, Lot 8 and to cancel the Lien.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

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

**SPECIAL EVENT – 22<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE**

A motion was made by Mr. Pender, seconded by Mrs. Insel, to approve the application for the Clinton Guild Christmas Parade to be held on Friday, December 5, 2008 as submitted.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**GIRL SCOUTS REQUEST FOR FIRE SAFETY PERMIT FEE WAIVER**

The Clinton/Glen Gardner Girl Scouts have applied for a Fire Permit for their Halloween Dance. The Scouts are requesting a waiver in the amount of \$42.00 for the Fire Permit. A motion was made by Mrs. Insel, seconded by Mr. Shea, to approve the waiver as requested.

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

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

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**RED MILL MUSEUM VILLAGE – FIRE SAFETY PERMIT WAIVER**

The Red Mill Museum Village has applied for a Fire Permit for their “Haunted Mill” event, October 17 & 18 and 24 & 25 and are requesting a waiver in the amount of \$42.00 for the Fire Permit. A motion was made by Mrs. Insel, seconded by Mr. Duffy, to approve the request for the waiver.

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

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. A letter of thanks from John Alfieri, Supt., Clinton Public School, to Department of Public Works, Robert Cutter, and Wayne Smith for their assistance with repairs to the school’s sewer lines.

**REPORTS FROM COUNCIL & TOWN OFFICIALS**

**Robert A. Cutter, PW/Business Administrator**

1. Town wide Fall leaf collection will begin October 15, 2008
2. In accordance with the request from a Main Street merchant the garbage receptacle in front of their business will be relocated to another location nearby.
3. Solid waste collection for the month of September was 133 tons less than 2006 and 42 tons less than 2007. Recycling is up 35 tons over last year. If the County goes to single stream next year there will be some minor modifications to our program.

**Councilman Pender**

1. Emergency Services Foundation – Casino Night held on Oct. 10, was a huge success.

**Councilman Ragozine**

1. Gebhardt Field score board has been installed and is close to completion.

**Deputy Clerk, Sara Peterson**

1. A second request for approval of a Block Party on Fairview Avenue has been received. The original date of September 28<sup>th</sup> was cancelled due to rain. Motion made by Mrs. Insel, seconded by Mr. Shea, to approve the new date of October 19, 2008.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**Councilwoman Valenta**

1. Clinton Rescue Squad is seeking donations of clean or new stuffed animals to aid in the comfort of children during their rescue services. Donations can be left at the Squad Building. Also, the Squad offers both people and pet C P R Classes. For information contact the Squad.

**Councilwoman Insel**

1. Smart Growth Committee awaiting response to their grant applications. Next meeting scheduled for early November.

**Councilman Shea**

1. The Knolls project is progressing and water mains are being connected. Completion of the project should be close to October 31, 2008 as planned.
2. The Clinton Guild was very successful with their "British Invasion Music Fest" on October 5<sup>th</sup>. It was well organized with no complaints.

**Mayor Schaumburg**

1. A week ago the Mayor, Chief Matheis and Administrator Cutter met with D. O. T. officials to discuss the lingering problems at Exit 15 going eastbound from the Knolls and left through that intersection. The D. O. T. is working with their engineers to correct the problem with the left turn and timing of the traffic light.

**APPROVAL OF STANDBY AND OVERTIME**

A motion was made by Mr. Pender, seconded by Mr. Ragozine, to approve the standby and overtime pay as submitted for September 19, 2008 through October 2, 2008.

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

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

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

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

**RESOLUTION #120 – EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Mr. Ragozine, seconded by Mrs. Insel, to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters of Litigation at 7:55 p.m. No action will be taken.

Vote all ayes

Motion carried

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A motion was made by Mrs. Insel, seconded by Mrs. Valenta, to come out of Executive Session and return to the Regular Council Meeting at 8:09 p.m.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

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**ADJOURNMENT** There being no further business, a motion was made Mr. Ragozine, seconded by Mrs. Insel, to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

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Sara J. Peterson, RMC  
Deputy Clerk

Christine Schaumburg, Mayor

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