

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

Flag Salute.

Roll Call: Present – De Cleene, Garber, Harrison, Pender, Quinones-Perez, Ragozine,  
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**

Mr. Ragozine corrected the minutes of November 28, 2006, under the heading of Introduction of Ordinance # 06-20. Mr. Ragozine said a copy of the auditor’s recommendation was presented to the Commission’s secretary during the October Parks and Playground meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. De Cleene, seconded by Mr. Ragozine, to approve the minutes of November 28, 2006 as amended.

Vote all ayes  
1 Abstention (Quinones-Perez)  
Motion carried

**APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS**

A motion was made by Mrs. Garber, seconded by Mr. De Cleene, to accept the monthly reports for the month of November as submitted:

Assessor’s Report, Clerk’s Account, Cat & Dog Licensing Accounts, Construction Control Account, Fire Official Report, Police Report, Sewer Collector’s Report, Water Collector’s Report, Treasurer’s Report, Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent’s Report, Zoning Officer/Construction Official Report, Code Enforcement / Housing Officer.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. Laurie Insel, Councilwoman Elect, announced the good news that the County Open Space Advisory Committee recommended funding the Town of Clinton’s \$60,000.00 application request. This will provide for work to complete the Vision Study. The Freeholders have yet to ratify the request. Great job, once again, Ms. Insel!

**MAYOR’S COMMENTS**

1. State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation has notified the Town of Clinton that we have also been granted \$80,000.00 from the Transportation Trust fund for Local Transportation Improvements. This grant will help fund the School Street Project leading up to Clinton Public School. It was explained in the application that we share services with Glen Gardner by having their children attend CPS and that they are bused in. This is the only access. We have also been awarded \$150,000.00 from NJDOT for the Clinton Knolls Project.

- 2. Halstead Street Bridge re-opened on Monday, December 11, 2006 with a ribbon cutting ceremony attended by Mayor Schaumburg; former Mayors, Allie McGaheran and Matt Holt; Freeholders Mellick, and Palladino; Freeholder Elect Ron Sworen; and Councilman and Road Commissioner Gene De Cleene. John Glynn, Director of Hunterdon County Roads, Bridges and Engineering, made the opening remarks, thanking everyone for their hard work and patience. The Mayors and Road Commissioner De Cleene, drove over the bridge in Lulabell, the 1929 Fire Truck, driven by George Runyon. Mayor Schaumburg thanked Bob Cutter and Chief Matheis for all their efforts during this construction. The weather was great, just adding to the day's fabulous event.

**RESOLUTION #117-06 – CANCELLATION OF OUTSTANDING CHECKS**

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, seconded by Mr. Ragozine, to adopt Resolution #117-06 as submitted.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

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

**RESOLUTION #118-06 – APPOINTMENT OF ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR**

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, seconded by Mrs. Garber, to adopt Resolution #118-06 as submitted.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

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

**FOOD LICENSE WAIVERS**

The annual request of the Board of Health to the Mayor and Council to waive the food license fees for the following establishments:

- Clinton Fire Department
- Clinton Presbyterian Church
- Clinton Public School Board of Education
- Clinton United Methodist Church
- Hunterdon Historical Museum (Kitchen)

The County Health Department honors these waivers and does not bill the Town for their inspections. A motion was made by Mr. Ragozine, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to grant the waiver as requested.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**None**

**REPORTS FROM COUNCIL & TOWN OFFICIALS**

**Kathy Olsen, CFO**

1. Ms. Olsen reviewed the proposals received from Bond Counsels in response to the Request for Proposals received December 4, 2006. Ms. Olsen made a recommendation that the Town retain the professional services of McManimon and Scotland for the calendar year 2006. A motion was made by Mr. Ragozine, seconded by Mr. Harrison, to accept the recommendation made.

ROLL CALL: Ayes; De Cleene, Garber, Harrison, Pender, Ragozine, Quinones-Perez,  
Mayor Schaumburg

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

All recommendations are expected December 26, 2006 meeting.

**Councilwoman Garber**

*Happy Holidays, everyone!*

**Clerk Covino**

Budget meetings, dates were discussed and tentatively set for January 11, 28, 25 and February 1, 2007. The auditor will be asked to attend the meeting of February 1<sup>st</sup>. Meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. and usually run to 8:00 p.m.

**Councilman De Cleene**

1. Rescue Squad met Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. The Election of new officers took place,  
Melinda Stortz, President  
Dan McTiernan, Vice President  
Mike Gallis, EMS Captain  
Frank Stenicky, Chief  
Erica Rega, Secretary

138 calls reported for the month of November.

Last chance for tickets, drawing, December 20<sup>th</sup>. Mr. De Cleene sold 32 books, \$6,400.00 Mr. Bahto has sold \$4,500.00.

**Councilwoman Quinones-Perez**

1. Emergency Services Foundation will be meeting Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.  
The Foundation will be electing officers.

**Councilman Harrison**

1. Sewer Committee – Reported that the Wastewater Treatment Plant is looking into Solar Energy panels to be placed on the roof.
2. Board of Health held their meeting, made their annual request of Food License Waivers from the Mayor and Council and scheduled the Rabies Clinic for Saturday, January 13, 2007 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
3. Personnel meeting – date to be discussed.

**RESOLUTION #119-06 – TRANSFER OF FUNDS**

A motion was made by Mrs. Garber, seconded by Mr. De Cleene, to adopt Resolution #119-06 as submitted.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: De Cleene, Garber, Harrison, Pender, Ragozine, Quinones-Perez,  
Mayor Schaumburg

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**APPROVAL OF OVERTIME & STANDBY PAY:**

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, seconded by Mrs. Garber to approve the attached overtime and standby pay for the period of November 17 – November 30, 2006.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: De Cleene, Garber, Harrison, Pender, Ragozine, Quinones-Perez,  
Mayor Schaumburg

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

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

ROLL CALL: Ayes: De Cleene, Garber, Harrison, Pender, Quinones-Perez, Ragozine,  
Mayor Schaumburg

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, a motion was made by Mrs. Garber, seconded by Mr. Ragozine to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

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Cecilia Covino, RMC/CMC  
Town Clerk

APPROVED BY MAYOR & COUNCIL

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Christine Schaumburg, Mayor