

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 A.M. at the Clinton Fire Department

Flag Salute

Roll Call: Present – Carberry, Pendergast, Rylak, Smith, Sosidka, Mayor Kovach
Absent - Shea

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE: The following statement of adequate notice was read: “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.”

SWEARING IN OF COUNCILMAN CARBERRY

Mr. Cushing gave a brief dissertation of the history of taking an oath and the wording therein. Following, Mr. Cushing administered the Oath of Office to Councilman Kenneth Carberry for his full three year term expiring December 31, 2017.

SWEARING IN OF COUNCILMAN PENDERGAST

Attorney Richard P. Cushing administered the Oath of Office to Councilman Marty Pendergast being sworn in for a third three year term expiring December 31, 2017. Wife, Rosemary, held the Bible.

REMARKS – MAYOR KOVACH

Mayor Kovach introduced Congressman Leonard Lance and thanked him for coming. Congressman Lance was pleased to be in Clinton as he grew up here and his family has been in Clinton for hundreds of years. Congressman Lance was happy to deliver two surprises this morning. The first was recognition of Allie McGaheran posthumously for all her years of service to the Town of Clinton. Allie was on council for years before becoming Mayor of the Town from 1994 to 2003. The Town Historian, Allie was a treasure. Paige McGaheran, daughter in law of Allie and Pat McGaheran, accepted the proclamation from Congressman Lance and the American flag that was flown over the Capitol in honor of Allie. Paige’s eloquent acceptance speech praised Allie and Pat McGaheran and joked that Allie would have asked “what’s all the fuss about?!” Paige spoke in their honor and the irony of accepting it on the day that Pat McGaheran was laid to rest and that afternoon, Allie passed away. As was Allie’s wish, “she said she didn’t know how she would live without him”. Beautiful.

The second surprise was to a long time and current councilman who also served as Mayor from 1974 to 1983. Congressman Lance presented the next proclamation and American flag to his long time friend, Robert B. Smith! His wife, Nancy, was called to the front to accept recognition along with her husband. Of course, “behind every good man is a good woman!”

A round of applause to the two recipients, well deserved. Before Congressman Lance ran off to another re-organization meeting in Union County, he wished the Town a successful 150th anniversary and the keepsake calendar will be placed in his office in Washington, D.C.!

REORGANIZATION: Mayor Kovach indicated that the resolutions will not be read in their entirety. The resolutions are posted on the bulletin board and there are copies available for the public and the press.

RESOLUTION #1-15 APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY

Motion made by Mr. Carberry, seconded by Mrs. Sosidka that Richard P. Cushing of the Firm of Gebhardt & Keifer be appointed to serve as Municipal Attorney for the Town of Clinton for the calendar year 2015.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #2-15 – APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL ENGINEER

Motion made by Mr. Pendergast seconded by Mr. Carberry to adopt Resolution #2-15 appointing Robert Clerico, P.E., of the Firm of Van Cleef Engineering Associates as the Town's Municipal Engineer for the calendar year 2015.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #3-15 – APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE TOWN ENGINEER

Motion made by Mr. Carberry, seconded by Mrs. Sosidka that Andrew S. Holt, P.E. of the Firm of Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc., be appointed to serve as Alternate Town Engineer for the Town of Clinton for the calendar year 2015.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #4-15 – APPOINTMENT OF WATER CONSULTING ENGINEER

A motion was made by Mrs. Sosidka, seconded by Mr. Rylak, to appoint Andrew S. Holt, PE. Of the Firm Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc., as the Water Engineer for the Town of Clinton for the calendar year 2015.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #5-15– APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE WATER CONSULTING ENGINEER

Motion was made by Mr. Rylak seconded by Mr. Smith, to adopt Resolution #5-15, appointing Susan S. Brasefield, P.E. P.P., C.M.E. of the Firm of Maser Consulting, P.A. as Alternate Water Engineer for the Town of Clinton during the calendar year 2015.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #6-15- APPOINTMENT OF SEWER CONSULTING ENGINEER

Motion was made by Mr. Smith seconded by Mr. Rylak to appoint Susan S. Brasefield, P.E., P.P. C.M.E. of the firm Maser Consulting. P.A. to serve as Sewer Consulting Engineer for the Town of Clinton during the calendar year 2015.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #7-15 – APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE SEWER ENGINEER

Motion was made by Mr. Pendergast seconded by Mr. Carberry, to appoint Andrew S. Holt, P.E, P.P. of the firm Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc. to serve as Alternate Sewer Engineer for the Town of Clinton for the calendar year 2015.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #8-15 - APPOINTMENT OF BOND COUNSEL

Motion made by Mr. Smith seconded by Mr. Rylak to adopt this resolution appointing Edward J. McManimon of the Firm of McManimon & Scotland as the Town's Bond Counsel for the calendar year of 2015.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #9-15 – APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL AUDITOR

A motion was made by Mr. Rylak, seconded by Mr. Carberry to appoint Warren Korecky, R.M.A. of the Firm Suplee, Clooney and Company, as Municipal Auditor for the calendar year 2015.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #10-15– APPOINTMENT OF TREE EXPERT

Motion made by Mr. Carberry, seconded by Mr. Smith to adopt this resolution appointing Lou Spanner of Spanner Shrub & Tree Care as the Town's Tree Expert for the calendar year 2015.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #11-15– APPOINTMENT OF COURT ADMINISTRATOR

Motion made by Mrs. Sosidka seconded by Mr. Rylak to adopt this resolution appointing Lynn Lorenz as the Court Administrator of the Town of Clinton Court for the calendar year 2015.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #12-15 – APPOINTMENT OF JUDGE PERKINS

Motion made by Mrs. Sosidka, seconded by Mr. Rylak to adopt this resolution appointing Eric Perkins Judge for the Town of Clinton Court for the year 2015.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #13-15 – APPOINTMENT OF COURT PROSECUTOR

Motion made by Mrs. Sosidka, seconded by Mr. Rylak, to adopt Resolution #13-15 appointing Robert Ballard as the Court Prosecutor of the Town of Clinton Municipal Court for 2015.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #14-15 – APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC DEFENDER

Motion made by Mrs. Sosidka, seconded by Mr. Rylak, to adopt Resolution #14-15 appointing Scott Mitzner as Public Defender for the Municipal Court of the Town of Clinton and Anthony Rotunno as the Conflict/Alternate Public Defender for the year 2015.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #15-15 – CHECK SIGNING AUTHORIZATION

Motion made by Mr. Pendergast, seconded by Mr. Carberry, to adopt this resolution authorizing Councilman Robert B. Smith to sign checks in the absence of the Mayor.

Vote all ayes
1 Abstention (Smith)
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #16-15 – RESOLUTION APPOINTING RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT

Motion made by Mr. Carberry seconded by Mrs. Sosidka to adopt this resolution appointing Caroline Conboy of Brown and Brown Metro, Inc. as its local Risk Management Consultant for 2015.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #17-15 – COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

A motion was made by Mrs. Sosidka seconded by Mr. Rylak that the Council Appointments for the Year 2015 be approved as presented.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #18-15 – APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS

Motion made by Mr. Pendergast, seconded by Mr. Carberry to adopt this resolution appointing the various municipal officials for the terms indicated.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #19-15 – APPOINTMENT OF BOARD, COMMITTEE & COMMISSION MEMBERS:

Motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Rylak, to adopt this resolution appointing the various boards, committee and commission members for the terms indicated.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #20-15 - AUTHORIZATION OF MUNICIPAL ATTORNEY AND TAX ASSESSOR TO FILE CORRECTIVE APPEALS AND COUNTER CLAIMS

Motion was made by Mr. Smith seconded by Mr. Rylak to adopt Resolution #20-15 authorizing the Municipal Attorney and Municipal Tax Assessor to file corrective appeals and counter claims with the Hunterdon County Board of Taxation on behalf of the Town of Clinton.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #21-15 – REDEMPTION OF CALCULATION FEES

A motion was made by Mr. Pendergast seconded by Mr. Carberry, to adopt Resolution #21-15 which allows the Tax Collector to charge a fee of \$50.00 for each redemption calculation.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #22-15 – APPROVAL OF BANK DEPOSITORIES:

Motion made by Mr. Smith seconded by Mr. Rylak to approve the Banks as submitted in this resolution as the Official Bank Depositories for the Town for the year 2015.

TD Bank
Investors Savings
Capital One
PNC Bank
Unity Bank
Wells Fargo

New Jersey Cash Management
Bank of America
Peapack-Gladstone Bank

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #23-15 – RESOLUTION FOR INVESTMENTS:

Motion made by Mr. Pendergast seconded by Mr. Rylak to adopt this resolution authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to invest and reinvest various funds as recommended by the Council Finance Committee.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #24-15– RESOLUTION FOR OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS:

Motion made by Mr. Smith seconded by Mr. Rylak, designating the Hunterdon Review, Hunterdon County Democrat, the Courier-News and the Star Ledger as newspapers and the Hunterdon County News, hcnews@comcast.net, as the official online newspaper to receive notices required under the Open Public Meetings Act.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #25-15– RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING INTEREST RATES

Motion made by Mrs. Sosidka, seconded by Mr. Carberry, to adopt this resolution fixing the rate of interest to be charged for the non-payment of taxes, assessments, sewer use charges and water charges for the year 2015.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #26-15– RESOLUTION SETTING YEAR 2015 COUNCIL MEETING DATES:

Motion made by Mr. Smith seconded by Mr. Rylak to adopt this resolution setting 7:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, unless otherwise noted, for the year 2015.

These scheduled meetings, beginning at 7:30 p m, are as follows:

| | | | |
|------------|----|------------|----|
| January 13 | | July | 14 |
| | 27 | | 28 |
| February | 10 | August | 11 |
| | 24 | | 25 |
| March | 10 | September | 8 |
| | 24 | | 22 |
| April | 14 | October 13 | |
| | 28 | | 27 |
| May | 12 | November | 10 |
| | 26 | | 24 |
| June | 9 | December | 8 |
| | 23 | | 22 |

Vote all ayes

Motion carried

RESOLUTION # 27-15–RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL/REFUND

Motion made by Mr. Smith seconded by Mr. Rylak, to adopt this resolution, authorizing the Tax Collector to process the cancellation of any property tax refund or delinquency of less than \$5.00.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #28-15 – RESOLUTION FOR TEMPORARY BUDGET:

Motion made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Pendergast, to adopt the Temporary Budget as presented.

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19 provides that where any contract, commitment or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2015 budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purpose and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is within the first thirty days of January 2015; and

WHEREAS, the total appropriations in the 2014 budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement fund and public assistance, is the sum of **\$3,517,012.00 for the Current Budget**, and **\$1,901,447.00 for the Water Utility Budget**, and **\$1,727,094.00 for the Sewer Utility Budget**; and

WHEREAS, 26.25% of the total appropriations in the 2014 budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement fund and public assistance in said 2013 budget is the sum of **\$923,216.00 for the Current Budget**, and **\$499,130.00 for the Water Utility Budget**, and **\$453,362.00 for the Sewer Utility Budget**;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for his/her records:

| <u>CURRENT ACCOUNT</u> | <u>SALARIES & WAGES</u> | <u>OTHER EXPENSES</u> |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Mayor & Council | \$ 3,000.00 | \$ 4,000.00 |
| Communications | | 1,500.00 |
| Municipal Clerk | 16,805.00 | 6,200.00 |
| Financial Administration | 13,260.00 | 3,000.00 |
| Assessment of Taxes | 10,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Revenue Administration | 6,120.00 | 2,000.00 |
| Legal Services | | 10,000.00 |
| Engineering Services | | 3,000.00 |
| Planning Board | 2,244.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Board of Adjustment | 2,244.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Environmental Commission | | 250.00 |
| Fire Prevention | 5,100.00 | 500.00 |
| Police | 311,100.00 | 25,000.00 |

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| <u>CURRENT ACCOUNT</u> | <u>SALARIES & WAGES</u> | <u>OTHER EXPENSES</u> |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Historic Commission | \$ | \$ 250.00 |
| Emergency Management | 2,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Streets & Roads | 27,540.00 | 20,000.00 |
| Shade Tree Commission | | 2,500.00 |
| Solid Waste Collection | | 40,000.00 |
| Buildings & Grounds | 15,000.00 | 9,500.00 |
| Community Center | 2,200.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Safety Administration | | 250.00 |
| Vehicle Maintenance | | 10,000.00 |
| Recycling | 500.00 | 9,200.00 |
| Board of Health | 1,225.00 | 500.00 |
| Recreation Services | | 630.00 |
| Maintenance of Parks | | 1,875.00 |
| Construction Officials | 15,300.00 | 500.00 |
| Housing/Rental Officer | 4,600.00 | |
| Gasoline | | 15,000.00 |
| Natural Gas | | 4,000.00 |
| Electricity | | 10,000.00 |
| Telephone | | 4,000.00 |
| Street Lighting | | 10,000.00 |
| Water | | 400.00 |
| Fire Hydrant Rental | | 7,000.00 |
| Solid Waste Disposal Costs | | 26,926.00 |
| Social Security | | 30,000.00 |
| Unemployment Insurance | | 1,000.00 |
| General Liability Insurance | | 75,000.00 |
| Workers Comp Insurance | | 34,000.00 |
| Employee Health Insurance | | 76,797.00 |
| Affordable Housing | | 200.00 |
| Municipal Court | | 35,000.00 |
| TOTALS | \$ 438,238.00 | \$ 484,978.00 |
| Debt Service | | |
| Bond Interest | | \$ 45,560.00 |

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| | <u>SALARIES & WAGES</u> | <u>OTHER EXPENSES</u> |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| WATER UTILITY | \$ 200,000.00 | \$ 278,630.00 |
| Social Security | | 20,000.00 |
| Unemployment Insurance | | 500.00 |
| TOTALS | \$ 200,000.00 | \$ 299,130.00 |
| | | |
| Debt Service | | |
| NJEIT Principal | | \$ 76,077.85 |
| NJEIT Interest | | \$ 44,633.13 |
| Bond Interest | | \$ 159,976.25 |
| | | |
| SEWER UTILITY | \$ 164,000.00 | \$ 274,062.00 |
| Social Security | | 15,000.00 |
| Unemployment Insurance | | 300.00 |
| TOTALS | \$ 164,000.00 | \$ 289,362.00 |
| | | |
| Debt Service | | |
| NJEIT Principal | | \$ 9,855377 |
| NJEIT Interest | | \$ 10,081.88 |
| Bond Interest | | \$ 26,625.00 |

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carberry, Pendergast, Rylak, Smith, Sosidka, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION # 29-15 - 2015 SALARIES FOR POLICE

Motion made by Mr. Carberry, seconded by Mr. Pendergast, to fix the maximum amounts of salaries to be paid for the police positions submitted.

2015 SALARY POLICE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Clinton in the County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey as follows:

That the following position titles within the Town of Clinton in the County of Hunterdon, the respective salaries or compensation set forth below are hereby fixed as the maximum amounts to be paid for the year 2015:

| <u>POSITION</u> | <u>SALARY</u> <u>2015</u> |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Sergeant | 104,421.81 |
| Patrolman-First Class | 95,799.82 |
| Patrolman-Second Class | 90,874.05 |

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| Patrolman-Third Class | 85,948.25 |
| Patrolman-Fourth Class | 81,022.44 |
| Patrolman-Fifth Class | 76,096.64 |
| Patrolman-Sixth Class | 71,170.83 |
| Patrolman-Seventh Class | 66,245.03 |
| Patrolman-Eighth Class | 61,319.22 |
| Patrolman-Ninth Class | 56,393.42 |
| Patrolman-Tenth Class | 51,467.61 |
| Patrolman-Eleventh Class | 46,451.81 |
| Recruit | 41,616.00 |

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carberry, Pendergast, Rylak, Smith, Sosidka, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #30-12 – 2015 SALARIES FOR TEAMSTERS

A motion was made by Mr. Carberry, seconded by Ms. Sosidka, to adopt the 2015 Salary Resolution for the Teamsters Union as presented.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Clinton in the County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey as follows:

That the following position titles within the Town of Clinton in the County of Hunterdon, the respective salaries or compensation set forth below are hereby fixed as the maximum amounts to be paid for the year 2015:

| <u>POSITION</u> | <u>SALARY</u> |
|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Public Works Employee #1 | \$29.36/Hr. |
| Public Works Employee #2 | 20.19/Hr. |
| Public Works Employee #4 | 19.93/Hr. |
| Public Works Employee #5 | 17.15/Hr. |
| Public Works Employee #6 | 16.65/Hr. |
| Public Works Employee #7 | 16.65/Hr. |
| Public Works Employee #8 | 16.65/Hr. |
| Public Works Employee #9 | 16.32/Hr. |

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carberry, Pendergast, Rylak, Smith, Sosidka, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #31-15 – 2015 SALARIES FOR NON-CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEES

A motion was made by Ms. Sosidka, seconded by Mr. Rylak, to adopt the 2015 Salary list for all non-contractual employees as submitted.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Clinton in the County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey as follows:

That the following position titles within the Town of Clinton in the County of Hunterdon, the respective salaries or compensation set forth below are hereby fixed as the maximum amounts to be paid for the year 2015:

| <u>POSITION</u> | <u>SALARY</u> |
|---|---------------------|
| Mayor | 5,500.00 |
| Council Members | 5,000.00 |
| Town Clerk | 42,596.70 |
| Assessment Search Officer | 1,227.63 |
| Collector of Taxes | 2,873.61 |
| Deputy Tax Collector | 14,770.05 |
| Tax Search Officer | 1,215.81 |
| Tax Assessor | 21,224.28 |
| Assistant to Tax Assessor | 5,100.00 |
| Collector of Water Rents | 52,251.96 |
| Collector of Sewer Rents | 27,415.42 |
| Chief Financial Officer | 30,655.07 |
| Deputy Treasurer | 11,902.96 |
| Treasurer of Water Utility | 20,674.44 |
| Treasurer of Sewer Utility | 19,971.73 |
| Finance Assistant #1 | 30,303.21 |
| Finance Assistant #2 | 22,228.59 |
| Secretary to Land Use Board | 15,734.99 |
| Secretary to Board of Health | 2,210.87 |
| Registrar of Vital Statistics | 2,210.87 |
| Public Works/Business Administrator | 111,426.84 |
| Superintendent of Water Department | 73,622.53 |
| Assistant Superintendent of Water Department | 66,065.46 |
| Superintendent of Wastewater Treatment Plant | 97,036.55 |
| Laboratory Supervisor/Manager | 78,255.73 |
| Public Works Foreman | 38.62 |
| Wastewater Treatment Plant Foreman | 35.11 |
| Water Department Foreman | 29.57 |
| Chief of Police | 122,999.79 |
| School Crossing Guard | 19.90 |
| Clerical | 16.24 |
| Emergency Management Coordinator | 2,601.00 |
| Emergency Management Administrative Assistant | 520.20 |
| Building Sub-Code Official | 4,329.73 |
| Fire Sub-Code Official | 1,623.65 |
| Fire Inspector | 1,082.43 |
| Plumbing Sub-Code Official | 7,976.37 |
| Construction Control Official | 24,805.03 |
| Zoning Officer | 1,364.63 |
| Fire Prevention Officer | 16,377.38 |
| Code Enforcement/Housing Officer | 13,635.58 |
| Electric Sub-Code Official | 5,632.63 |
| Construction Official | 7,391.83 |
| Building Inspector | 2,274.40 |
| Janitor Community Center | 17.27 |
| Stand-by Rate | 5.00 |
| Mileage | Per IRS Regulations |
| Longevity Pay – After Five Years | 2% of Base Pay |
| Longevity Pay – After Ten Years | 3% of Base Pay |

Longevity Pay – After Fifteen Years

4% of Base Pay

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carberry, Pendergast, Rylak, Smith, Sosidka, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #32-15 – AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN CHECKS FOR MAILING OF UTILITY BILLS:

Motion was made by Mr. Pendergast seconded by Mr. Carberry authorizing the Mayor to sign checks providing the voucher for said payment be included on the bill list for approval at the next Council meeting.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carberry, Pendergast, Rylak, Smith, Sosidka, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION # 33-15 – AUTHORIZATION TO MAINTAIN PETTY CASH FUND FOR MUNICIPAL CLERK

A motion was made by Mr. Pendergast seconded by Mr. Carberry, authorizing the Municipal Clerk to maintain a petty cash fund in the amount of \$100.00.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carberry, Pendergast, Rylak, Smith, Sosidka, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #34-15 – AUTHORIZATION TO MAINTAIN PETTY CASH FUND FOR POLICE

A motion was made by Mr. Pendergast, seconded by Mr. Smith authorizing the Police Chief to maintain a petty cash fund in the amount of \$250.00.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carberry, Pendergast, Rylak, Smith, Sosidka, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion was made by Mr. Pendergast, seconded by Mr. Carberry, to authorize payment of the bill list attached to these minutes.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carberry, Pendergast, Rylak, Smith, Sosidka, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

ANNOUNCEMENT: Mayor Kovach thanked everyone for coming and introduced all dignitaries which included Congressman Leonard Lance; State Assemblymen Erik Peterson and John DiMaio, State Senator Mike Doherty, Freeholders Rob Walton and Matt Holt, County Prosecutor Anthony P. Kearns III and County Clerk Mary Melfi. Mayor Kovach was thrilled that so many attended this morning's meeting and the kick off for the 150th Celebration of the Town of Clinton! Mayor Kovach then introduced Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cagno, parents of Gregg Cagno, who wrote the

song "Clinton Times". The song references fond memories of Clinton Public School, North Hunterdon High School, Daz-O-Del ice cream and the Clinton Point Theater. Mayor Kovach played the song and everyone enjoyed it. This song will be the official song for the celebratory year. Then Mayor Kovach introduced John Bohnel, local photographer whose photo "Clinton From the Bluff, Easter 2014" will be the official photo for the year and is also the cover of the 2015 Keepsake calendar. His photo is available in local art shops. Then it was time to introduce the chairwoman of the 150th Committee, Megan Jones-Holt. A slideshow accompanied Ms. Jones-Holt while she talked about the 150th and introduced her committee, Councilwoman Beth Sosidka, Cece Gallo, Walter Hetzel, John Bohnel and Cecilia Covino, Meredith Hyland was unable to attend. Following introductions, Ms. Jones-Holt highlighted the calendar of events planned for 2015 with a Block Party scheduled for May 30 (rain date May 31). The party will be widespread, from the Red Mill Museum Village all through Main and East Main Streets to the Clinton Fire Department, where a Mobile Hall of Fame will be. Food and entertainment will highlight the day. Special projects being done include a fitness trail being installed at the Hunts Mill Park courtesy of the Clinton Sunrise Rotary and an historical mural in the alley near the pharmacy on Main Street being painted by Christie Wood, Chair of the Historic Commission. Beautification to the Town's Gateways, 150th pole banners proclaiming the landmark anniversary along Old Highway 22 purchased with donations from generous sponsors, and directed everyone to keep their eye on www.clinton150years.com website for the latest updates on what is being planned.

SMART GROWTH SURVEY

Mr. Rylak took this opportunity to address the large audience about the Smart Growth Survey and that completing the survey expresses the voice of the people. To date 795 have been received but more will be accepted. Share it with friends and family members, residents and non residents. Copies were made available to anyone who did not get a chance to submit yet. Mr. Rylak asked the audience to talk to the Mayor and Council members with any concerns or suggestions they may have.

Mayor Kovach thanked Ms. Jones-Holt and invited everyone to stay for refreshments. The event was attended by about 70 people.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Pendergast, seconded by Mr. Carberry. The meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

Cecilia Covino, RMC/CMC
Town Clerk

Mayor Janice Kovach