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

Flag Salute.

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

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE:

Mayor Kovach 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. Carberry, seconded by Ms. Dineen to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held April 26, 2016.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Sosidka seconded by Mr. Carberry to approve the Executive Session Meeting minutes of April 26, 2016.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS – APRIL

A motion was made by Mr. Rylak seconded by Mr. Carberry to approve the monthly reports for the month of April as submitted:

Administrator’s Report, Clerk’s Account, Cat & Dog Licensing Accounts, Construction Control/ Inspection Report, Road Foreman’s Report, Sewer Collector’s Report, Tax Collector’s Report, Treasurer’s Report, Water Collector’s Report, Zoning Officer Report.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tara Shepherd, Executive Director of HART (Hunterdon Area Rural Transport) came before Council this evening to discuss a new initiative HART is implementing and working in conjunction with the Clinton Police Department. The Street Smart NJ is a public education, awareness and behavioral change campaign. This will be an eight week overall project, the first four weeks as an awareness campaign surveying and making observations regarding pedestrian and vehicular habits. The final weeks will provide a report on observations and getting the message out to community groups and schools.

MAYOR’S COMMENTS

1. American Cancer Society, Relay for Life, will be held weekend of May 13 and 14 at North Hunterdon High School and May 21 and 22, 2016 at Hunterdon Central. Mayor Kovach read the proclamation in support of the program.
2. A beautiful letter of thanks from the Manghisi family for the tree that was planted for Joe Manghisi, longtime resident and friend of the Town of Clinton. Daughter Maria, penned the letter on behalf of her mother, Joan, and sisters, Roe, Nicole, Annette and their children and grandchildren. The well attended tree planting was held on Arbor Day, April 29, 2016 on Leigh Street. A tribute to Joe, former two time Chief of Police of the Town of Clinton, Proud Navy Seabee/World War II Veteran and Recreation Commission Member.

3. Hunterdon County Freeholders are holding a meeting to address administrative costs associated with gasoline.
4. Mayor Kovach received a call from Governor Christie's office and was told the Town was receiving a \$43,000 Clean Communities Grant. Mayor Kovach questioned the caller and later discovered it was Clinton Township, not the Town.

WATER REFUND

A water refund has been requested by Nancy Burges, Water Collector, for Sharon Finley. A motion was made by Mr. Carberry seconded by Ms. Sosidka to grant the refund as requested.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carberry, Dineen, Rylak, Sosidka, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #69-16 – RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE BOND

A motion was made by Mr. Carberry, seconded by Mr. Rylak, to adopt Resolution #69-16 as submitted:

**RESOLUTION # 69-16
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE BOND
OF PARK VALLEY CLINTON, LLC (BLOCK 1, LOTS 60 AND 60.02)**

WHEREAS, the Park Valley Clinton, LLC received amended preliminary and final site plan approval from the Town on or about October 1, 2013 to construct an multi-family residential units on the property known as Block 1, Lots 60 and 60.02 on the Town of Clinton's Tax Maps; and

WHEREAS, Park Valley at Clinton, LLC has requested the refund of the Performance Guarantee for this site improvement; and

WHEREAS, the Land Use Board Engineer recommended release of the Performance Guarantee; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey hereby authorize a refund of the cash portion of the Performance Bond for Block 1, Lots 60 and 60.02 in the amount of \$131,218.20 based upon the recommendations of the Land Use Board Engineer; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, upon a certification of availability of funds, the Chief Financial Officer is hereby instructed to refund \$131,218.20 to Park Valley at Clinton, LLC.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carberry, Dineen, Rylak, Sosidka, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #70-16 – APPOINTMENT OF FIRE SUB-CODE OFFICIAL

A motion was made by Ms. Sosidka, seconded by Ms. Dineen, to adopt Resolution #70-16 as submitted:

**RESOLUTION # 70-16
RESOLUTION APPOINTING FIRE SUB-CODE OFFICIAL**

WHEREAS, the Town of Clinton has a need to appoint a Fire Sub-Code Official in light of a recent employee resignation; and

WHEREAS, the Construction Official has recommended Neil Ruggiero be appointed to fill this position;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLOVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton hereby appoint Neil Ruggiero as a Fire Sub-Code Official at a prorated salary of \$1,656.03 for the year 2016, effective May 11, 2016.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

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RESOLUTION #71-16 –HIRING OF TREATMENT PLANT LABORER

A motion was made by Mr. Carberry, seconded by Ms. Sosidka, to adopt Resolution #71-16 as submitted:

**RESOLUTION # 71-16
RESOLUTION APPOINTING WASTE WATER TREATMENT
PLANT LABORER**

WHEREAS, the Town of Clinton has a need to appoint a laborer within the Waste Water Treatment Plant in light of a recent employee resignation; and

WHEREAS, the Sewer Superintendent has recommended Eli Pieretti be appointed to fill this position;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton hereby appoint Eli Pieretti as a laborer within the Waste Water Treatment Plant at a prorated salary of \$33,280 for the year 2016, effective May 16, 2016.

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #72-16 – CANCELLATION OF LIEN

A motion was made by Mr. Carberry, seconded by Mr. Rylak, to adopt Resolution #72-16 as submitted:

RESOLUTION # 72-16

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Town of Clinton has been paid \$3500.96, the amount necessary to redeem Tax Sale Certificate #2012-12 on Block 21, Lot 25, assessed to Kim Crimmins, and purchased by FWDSL & Associates LP.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this 10th day of May 2016 by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton, County of Hunterdon, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$3,500.96 (certificate), \$400.00 (Premium) to FWDSL & Associates LP, 5 Cold Hill Road South #11, Mendham, NJ, 07945, upon receipt of the Original Tax Sale Certificate endorsed for cancellation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tax Collector be authorized to cancel Lien #2012-12 Block 31, Lot 7 C0114, assessed to Kim Crimmins, from the Town of Clinton Tax Records.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carberry, Dineen, Rylak, Sosidka, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

RESOLUTION #73-16 – CANCELLATION OF LIEN

A motion was made by Mr. Carberry, seconded by Ms. Sosidka, to adopt Resolution #73-16 as submitted:

RESOLUTION # 73-16

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Town of Clinton has been paid \$1,420.41, the amount necessary to redeem Tax Sale Certificate #2015-5 on Block 14, Lot 31, assessed to Joseph A. Desanctis, and purchased by US Bank Cust for Pro Capital 4 & Crdtrs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this 10th day of May 2016 by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton, County of Hunterdon, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$1,420.41 (certificate) & \$1,200.00 (premium) to US Bank Cust/Pro Capital 4 & Crdtrs, 2 Liberty Place, 50th South 16th Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA, 19102, upon receipt of the Original Tax Sale Certificate endorsed for cancellation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tax Collector be authorized to cancel Lien #2015-5 on Block 14 Lot 31, assessed to Joseph A Desanctis from the Town of Clinton Tax Records.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carberry, Dineen, Rylak, Sosidka, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE #16-05 – HOURS OF PARKING

A motion was made by Mr. Carberry, seconded by Ms. Sosidka, to adopt Ordinance #16-05 on first reading:

ORDINANCE #16-05

ORDINANCE REGARDING MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT NO. 7

WHEREAS, parking spaces in the Town of Clinton are a limited resource; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council are concerned that a further reduction of available parking by motorists leaving their cars in lots for excessive periods of time will adversely affect traffic as people search for available parking spots creating a nuisance and a traffic hazard; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined that restricting the time limit on parking in Municipal Lot No. 7 will improve traffic flow and safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton, the County of Hunterdon, that Chapter 136 entitled “Parking” and Chapter 135 entitled “Vehicles and Traffic” of the Code of the Town of Clinton (“Code”) is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 136-9 of the Code of the Town of Clinton entitled “Public parking permitted” is hereby amended and supplemented as follows (Additions indicated in boldface and italics *thus*; deletions indicated with strike-through ~~thus~~):

Public parking is permitted in marked and numbered spaces on the north side of the property (to the left of the Fire Department garage bay doors on the Center Street side). All vehicles must park in these designated spaces only and between the lines provided. Parking is permitted *in accordance with the provisions of § 135-26, entitled “Time Limit Parking”. 24 hours a day.*

SECTION 2. Section 135-26, Schedule IV of the Code of the Town of Clinton entitled “Time Limit Parking” is hereby amended and supplemented as follows (Additions indicated in boldface and italics *thus*; deletions indicated with strike-through ~~thus~~):

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In accordance with the provisions of § 135-6, no person shall park a vehicle for longer than the time limit shown upon any of the following streets or parts of streets:

Name of Street	Side	Time Limit; Hours/Days	Location
Center Street [Added 8-14-2001 by Ord. No. 01-06; amended 3-12-2013 by Ord. No. 13-06]	South	6 hrs.; 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., all	From New Street east to Clinton Township line
Center Street	South	2 hrs.; 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday	Beginning 35 feet from the easterly curblines of Leigh Street to a point 20 feet easterly thereof
East Main Street [Amended 5-10-1983 by Ord. No. Street 83-8] Street]	North	2 hrs.; 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 6:00 p.m., Monday to Sunday	Beginning at a point 46 feet east of the easterly curblines of Leigh eastward to a point 121 feet west of the westerly curblines of New
East Main Street [Amended 5-10-curblines of 1983 by Ord. No. point 83-8] therefrom]	North	15 mins.; 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Sunday	Beginning 68 feet from the westerly New Street to a 22 feet westerly
East Main Street [Amended 5-10-1983 by Ord. No. 83-8; 4-8- 1986 by Ord. No. 86-2]	South	15 mins.; 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Sunday	Beginning 68 feet from the westerly curblines of New Street to a point 124 feet westerly therefrom
East Main Street [Added 4-8-1986 by Ord. No. 86-2]	South	2 hrs.; 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday	Beginning 252 feet from the westerly curblines of New Street to a point 288 feet westerly thereof
Fairview Avenue [Added 3-12-2013 by Ord. No. 13-06]	Both	6 hrs.; 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., all	Georges Place east to Harrison
Georges Place [Added 3-12-2013 by Ord. No. 13-06]	Both	6 hrs.; 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., all	Center Street north to Route 31
Harrison Street [Added 8-14-2001 by Ord. No. 01-06]	West	6 hrs.; 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., all	From Center Street north to Fairview Avenue
Leigh Street	East	2 hrs.; 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday	Center Street to Main Street
Lower Center Street [Added 4-8-1986 by Ord. No. 86-2; amended 9- 13-1994 by Ord. No. 94-13]	South	3 hrs.; 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday	Beginning 177 feet from the westerly curblines of Leigh Street to a point 359 feet westerly thereof
Main Street	Both	2 hrs.; 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday	Bridge to Leigh Street
Municipal Parking Lot No. 1 between painted lines [Amended 11-12-1985 by Ord. No. 85-24]	Entire lot	24 hrs.	Rear of Municipal Building on Leigh Street
Municipal Parking Lot No. 2 between painted lines	Entire lot	3 hrs.; 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Saturday	Block 10, Lot 11, lot running from rear of the Boyle Building on Main Street to Lower Center Street

[Amended 11-12-1985 by Ord. No. 85-24; 9-13-1994 by Ord. No. 94-13]

Municipal Parking Lot No. 3 between painted lines Entire 24 hrs. lot At the corner of Water Street and Halstead Street

[Added 7-13-1982 by Ord. No. 82-9; amended 11-12-1985 by Ord. No. 85-24]

Municipal Lot No. 4 between painted lines Entire 24 hrs. lot Community Center, Halstead Street

[Added 5-1-1999 by Ord. No. 99-4]

Municipal Parklands, Lot No. 5 Entire 24 hrs. lot Hunts Mills/Haver Farm Road

[Added 5-11-1999 by Ord. No. 99-4]

Municipal Lot No. 6 Entire 24 hrs. lot DeMott Pond (Route 173)

[Added 5-11-1999 by Ord. No. 99-4]

Municipal Parking Lot No. 7 North 8 Hrs.; 6:00 a..m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday Clinton Fire Department (New Street)

SECTION 2. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are repealed as to such inconsistencies.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

A copy of this ordinance will be published in the May 18, 2016 edition of the Hunterdon Review. A public hearing will be held June 14, 2016.

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CORRESPONDENCE - NONE

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL

Councilwoman Dineen

1. Newsletter – Ms. Dineen reported that she has been in contact with the person who does the Clinton Township newsletter. The contact will be looking at alternative methods and will prepare a proposal.

Cecilia Covino, Municipal Clerk

Attended the Municipal Clerk's conference and obtained valuable information, several ceu's and happy to report that the State of New Jersey no longer requires a bi-annual dog census!

Councilwoman Sosidka

1. Board of Recreation – Community Center playground has been missing a tire swing for a few years. At the January Bonfire, Sean Rogan raised \$350.00 to replace the swing which is now on order and should be arriving in a couple weeks. Thank you, Sean!
2. Summer Recreation registration is now open. Program runs June 27 to July 22, 2016.
3. The 17th year of the Tennis Program will be held in two sessions. July 25 through August 4 and August 8 through August 18. Held at the Community Center the cost is \$60.00 for 8 lessons plus a T-shirt! Questions can be referred to Monica Berkman.
4. Town Picnic will be held June 4 / rain date June 11. There is a Facebook page set up seeking volunteers to consider working one hour to help at the picnic.

Councilman Rylak

1. Smart Growth Committee met in conjunction with the Conservancy Team. Planning has begun on how the Team will be working together and may begin to function independently of the Smart Growth Committee. They are considering applying for a 501 c (3) status. Kathy Madden has been invaluable to the Team as a master gardener and is extremely knowledgeable. Mr. Rylak and Ms. Sosidka's focus was to start the Team in a positive way by cutting the grass around the Welcome to Clinton signs and sprucing up the area. The Conservancy Team is also planning a butterfly garden, expect to see the "blue shirts" around Town!

STANDBY AND OVERTIME

A motion was made by Mr. Carberry seconded by Ms. Sosidka to approve the standby and overtime submitted for the period of April 22 through May 5, 2016 attached to these minutes.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carberry, Dineen, Rylak, Sosidka, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Mr. Carberry seconded by Ms. Dineen to approve the voucher list attached to these minutes.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carberry, Dineen, Rylak, Sosidka, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes
Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Dineen seconded by Ms. Sosidka to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Cecilia Covino, RMC/CMC
Town Clerk

Mayor Janice Kovach