



## **Minutes of Meeting of March 5, 2015**

**Chair Mike Geiss called the Regular Meeting of the Clayton Local Development Corporation to order at 4:01 p.m. in the joint CLDC/Clayton Improvement Association Board Room on Strawberry Lane in Clayton. Also in attendance were Bud Baril, Vice Chair; Justin Taylor, Treasurer; Chris Bogenschutz, Assistant Secretary; along with Board Members Larry Aubertine, Michael Docteur, Lori Durand, Frank House, Kathy LaClair and Norma Zimmer. Cary Brick, Rebecca Hopfinger, John Kehoe, John Slattery and Dennis Weller, were excused. Executive Director Kristi Dippel was also present.**

**On motion by Mike Docteur, second by Norma Zimmer, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the meeting of February 5, 2015.**

**Bowers and Company presented the 2014 Audit finding the CLDC in good standing.**

**Chair Geiss presented a list of performance tasks and expectations for Executive Director Kristi Dippel for the 2015 calendar year.**

**Treasurer Taylor presented an abstract with bills for approval in the amount of \$5,284.23. After paying bills, the general checking balance is \$2,385.35. Additionally, the CLDC RBEG Account has a balance of \$100; the NYMS DA TI Inn Account has a balance of \$100, and the Frink Redevelopment Checking Account now has a balance of \$354,818.70. On motion by Chris Bogenschutz, second by Kathy LaClair, the Board unanimously approved the Treasurer's report.**

**Executive Director Kristi Dippel distributed her monthly Administrative Report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.**

**Justin Taylor reported that the dock project is going very well. The docks will be delivered in April and May and they are targeted to open the end of June. Peter Krog wants to discuss operating the docking facility with Justin. At this time the Town is prepared to operate themselves.**

**Under Old Business, the Board reiterated its support of a regional approach to Tourism and the Craft Beverage Promotion and agreed to partner with the Thousand Islands International Tourism Council. Additionally, Coyote Moon, Clayton Distillery and Wood Boat Brewery would like to submit a separate grant application. The CLDC agreed to continue further discussions with the 3 entities about submitting a second application. The CLDC requests that Phil Randazzo provide a marketing plan similar to what the TI Council has provided. There will be an application fee based on the amount of admin required to administer this additional application. Also under old business, Kristi received quotes for Directors & Officers insurance. The insurance policy would be \$1,253 a year. On motion by Lori Durand, second by Frank House, the Board unanimously approved the purchase of the insurance policy. The final item under old business was a discussion about the Regional Economic Development Council with Dave Mosher. At this time Alexandria Bay and Clayton agree to the concept. We are still waiting to hear from Cape Vincent and the Town of Orleans.**

**Norma Zimmer stated that there would be a public hearing noise ordinance Monday, March 9th at 7pm in the municipal building.**

**Due to scheduling conflicts, there will not be an April meeting and the next CLDC Board Meeting will be held May 7, 2015.**

**With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. on motion by Kathy LaClair second by Lori Durand.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Chris Bogenschutz, Assistant Secretary**