

Minutes of Meeting of May 6, 2010

Chairman Larry Aubertine called to order the Regular Meeting of the Clayton Local Development Corporation at 4:00 p.m. at the Town of Clayton Board Room on Riverside Drive in Clayton. Also in attendance were Vice Chairman Bud Baril, Assistant Secretary Chris Bogenschutz, Treasurer Justin Taylor, and Secretary John Slattery, along with Board Members Norma Zimmer, Cary Brick, Walt Christensen, Michael Docteur, Lori Durand, Mike Geiss, Rebecca Hopfinger, John Kehoe, Kathy LaClair, and Joseph Menard. Advisors Bill Grater and Paul Heckman, Administrative Officer Kristi Dippel, Village Trustee Mary Burke, and Clayton Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Karen Goetz were also present.

On motion by Bud Baril, second by Walt Christensen, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the Meeting of April 1, 2010 with the following amendments: paragraph 3 line 2 Bud's last name to be spelled *Baril*, and at the end of paragraph 12 state that On motion by Cary Brick, second by Norma Zimmer, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation of the Administrative Oversight Committee that Kristi Dippel's contract be extended from April 1, 2010, through April 1, 2011, and that her pay rate be increased by \$5 per hour bringing her compensation to \$35 per hour. Absent from this vote were Lori Durand, John Kehoe, Kathy LaClair, John Slattery, and Justin Taylor.

Chairman Aubertine stated that he had visited local marina owners and found only two opposed to the transient marina concept proposed in the Boating Infrastructure Grant. Kristi Dippel will develop and distribute to marina owners a fact sheet describing the scope of the work which will be included in the grant.

Treasurer Taylor presented bills for approval in the amount of \$5,143.68 which, when paid, leaves a balance of \$6,948.64 in the CLDC checking account. There is \$285.56 in the Town's Capital Account and \$193,000 in the Town's Money Market Account. On motion by Michael Docteur, second by Walt Christensen, the Board unanimously approved payment of the bills, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

Administrative Officer Kristi Dippel handed out her report summarizing the status of active and potential grants. She announced the NY Main Street Grant program had been reduced by 50%. If we are not successful in this round, we will be ready for the next. The Board agreed that it was time to release a Community Update on the Frink Project. Cary and Kristi will work on it. A copy of her report is attached to the minutes.

Chairman Aubertine announced his appointment of Lori Durand to chair the Advisory Committee for the Riverwalk Frink Park and Monument phase of the Riverwalk Project.

For the LWRP Committee, Bill Grater noted that the Dept. of State was engaged in the pre-SEQRA final legal review.

Paul Heckman, Redevelopment Committee Chair, has been answering questions from the developers on the short list. Joe Russell is working on an addendum will be sent out regarding property disposition. Responses to the RFP are due June 24, 2010. Paul emphasized the need to issue public updates every 2-3 months.

For the Riverwalk Committee, Lori announced that the Committee would be meeting May 10 regarding bench selection for the Riverwalk. This Committee will assist Kristi with information updates, along with Cary Brick, Mike Geiss, John Kehoe, and Joe Menard.

Under Old Business, Mike Geiss announced that Kristi Dippel will have an informational meeting on May 7th with Sovie and Bowie, prior to their proceeding with the audit.

Under New Business, Justin Taylor noted that the monitoring wells will need to be decommissioned. He also spoke about DEC's latest interpretation of the procedures we need to follow in order to receive reimbursements. For example, DEC will not consider our \$90,000 request until we can certify that there was no duplication of bills or expenses in our accounting. Given our need to pay off the current BAN with Key Bank and the need to have additional BANs to provide cash on hand for the BIG and Riverwalk Grants, Justin suggested that we consider executing one Bond Resolution which would authorize the issuance of Bond Anticipation Notes as needed up to a total of \$3 million. As part of this discussion, Norma Zimmer again expressed her desire that the Village become a more active partner/participant in this project. She acknowledged the fact that the Village had not been an active partner at the CLDC's beginning by choice. There ensued considerable discussion on the nature partners/partnerships, their roles and history, and the desirability/difficulties in making the Town, Village, and CLDC equal partners. Neither a consensus nor a decision was reached with respect to these issues. Toward the end of the discussion, several people left the meeting. Justin Taylor made a motion with a second by Walt Christensen to pursue getting authorization in one Bond Resolution to issue BANs as needed with the understanding that the motion will be tabled until the Village and the Town can get an opinion from Bond Counsel regarding the legality of either or both municipalities issuing BANs. Before Chairman Aubertine could call for discussion or a vote on the motion, the remaining Board members approved a motion made by Kathy LaClair and seconded by Bud Baril to adjourn at 5:40 p.m..

Chairman Aubertine announced that the next meeting of the CLDC Board will be held June 3, 2010, in the Town of Clayton Board Room beginning at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Slattery, Secretary