

December 3, 2013 Minutes
Town of Clifton

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Chair, LeRoy Peterson. The minutes were read by Supervisor Joe Rohl. Motion was made to approve the minutes by John, seconded by LeRoy, motion carried.

Public Comment - Stuart Henning started the discussion with observations regarding the Pierce County Highway department in regards to 742nd Avenue regarding overseeing of the road work..... and continued. Requests were made for the cost estimate of 742nd Avenue..... and to contact the Pierce County Highway Department for the total cost.

Building Permits:

Jason Schwantz - W10996 748th Avenue - R.F. 4 season porch (Joe/John).

Poll workers nominated were Deb Branigan, Betty Merriman, Nancy Rifleman, Caroline Wisniewski and Kathy Beck. John made a motion to approve the nominations, seconded by Joe, motion carried.

Check approval for checks 2690 through 2698. Checks to be approved 2699 - 2705 is contingent on the Planning Commission clerk sending the attendance record in to the clerk/treasurer. A Motion to approve by John Rohl, seconded by Joe Rohl.

Supervisor Joe Rohl suggested we review the Impact Fee distribution for the next meeting and also to pay the planning commission members on a quarterly basis.

Another item for next month is to review the "Resolution in Opposition to SB 349" Relating to Regulation of Nonmetallic Mining.

Submitted by,

Judy Clement-Lee
Clerk/Treasurer

October 1, 2013
Town of Clifton

The meeting was called to order by Chair, LeRoy Peterson, the clerk read the minutes. John made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by LeRoy, motion carried.

Treasurer's report was given.

Building permits:

Paul Kenneally - pole shed - N8389 Cty F - R.F. (Joe/John)

CSM - James Rohl Property - motion to approve the CSM for James Rohl was made by John, seconded by Joe, motion carried.

Shannon Zimmerman - tabled until November

Richard Lee - Fire dispute - Mr. Lee's description of the fire call on his property differed from that of the River Falls Fire Department. According to the River Falls Fire department someone had called in the fire, stating that the fire had probably been started by a grandchild's go cart. After much arguing from Mr. Lee, there was no change in the decision the board had previously made, the charge would not be rescinded.

Pierce County Tax Collection Contract - A motion was made by Joe to approve the contract with the Treasurer's office at \$1.00 per parcel, seconded by John, motion carried.

Contract for tree removal - St. Croix Tree Service, Inc., was the only service to respond to the Chair's calls. The estimate to remove stubs and Trees marked in yellow sou. Of cemetery on 1160, prune large limbs from tagged trees, remove split oak east of 11360 - 840, prune oak limbs for road clearance on 1090, remove double stump oak, chip large stumps, for \$3100. A motion was made by Joe to approve the contract, seconded by John, motion carried.

Review budget: The clerk/treasurer presented the 2012 budget and the estimated 2013 budget to the board. The board will forward their options to the treasurer.

Public Comment - Stuart Henning was there to inquire about the progress on the shoulders of 742nd Avenue. The chair was not advised as to the time that the project would be completed by the county highway department, other than this season.

Approval of checks 2667 - 2681, motion by John to approve seconded by Joe, motion carried.

John made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 P.M. seconded by Joe, motion carried.

Submitted by,

Judy Clement-Lee
Clerk/Treasurer

September 3, 2013 Minutes
Town of Clifton

The meeting was called to order by Chair, LeRoy Peterson, the clerk read the minutes. Joe Rohl made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by John Rohl, motion carried.

There was one building permit for Thomas Tock to build a shop on W11328 740th Avenue, Prescott. John made a motion to approve the permit, Joe seconded the motion.

Tom Jenkins from Rural Mutual presented a renewal for the insurance plan, the insurance would be the same coverage with an increase for the voting equipment to \$15,000.

Public Comment - Stuart Henning and Frank Belmares were there to question the maintenance of 742nd Avenue, regarding the material the county placed on the avenue, the grade of rock, the time that the shoulders of the road will be repaired, the cost of the cleanup in Mr. Belmares yard. All of these questions need to be answered by the county highway department.

Tree removal - The chair will look into various contracts to remove trees that are becoming obstacles to safety.

John made a motion to approve checks 2655 - 2666, seconded by Joe, motion carried.

John made a motion to adjourn at 8:50 P.M., Joe seconded the motion, motion carried.

Submitted by,

Judy Clement-Lee
Clerk/Treasurer

August 6, 2013 Minutes
Town of Clifton

The meeting was called to order by Chair, LeRoy Peterson, the clerk read the minutes. Joe Rohl suggested that the quote of the conditional use permit should match the minutes, clerk agreed. Motion to approve the minutes, as amended was made by Joe Rohl, seconded by John Rohl.

The following roads are recommended by the Pierce County Highway Commission to be patched the coming year, 1060th Street, II Waco Road, 870th, 820th Avenue, 770th Avenue, North End, 770th Avenue, South End, 1170th, 1130th, 1090th Street, to total \$21,206.25. Also to be seal coated is 757th Avenue, with 742nd having shoulder repair, widening 1250th off at F and providing culverts. A motion was made by Joe, seconded by John to approve these projects, motion carried.

Brad Hurley requested a variance to have his stairs repaired and maintained along the St. Croix River. Joe made a motion to approve the variance, John seconded the motion, motion carried. Clerk is to contact LM with the approval.

There was some discussion regarding the impact fees, but no decisions were made.

John made a motion to approve checks 2637 - 2634, seconded by Joe, motion carried.

Joe made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by John, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Submitted by,

Judy Clement-Lee
Clerk/Treasurer
Town of Clifton

In attendance - Brad Hurley, LeRoy Peterson, John Rohl, Joe Rohl, Judy Clement-Lee

July 2, 2013 Minutes
Town of Clifton

The meeting was called to order by Chair, LeRoy Peterson. The clerk read the minutes. Joe Rohl made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by John Rohl, motion carried. The treasurer's report was given.

Building Permits:

Irene Hildebrandt Family Trust - Pole Shed - W11394 State Hwy 29, Prescott (John/Joe).

Conditional Use Permit - Shannon Zimmerman - W10887 875th Avenue , River Falls. Joe Rohl made a motion to approve Clifton's Planning Commission to recommend to Pierce County Land Management, a Conditional Land Use Permit for a winery for Shannon Zimmerman be approved with no restaurant or any food served that requires a license. The "tasting room" in a winery is an operation that is permitted by zoning and supported by Clifton's Comprehensive Plan, seconded by John, motion carried.

Setting of Board of Review Date to be July 24th, 3:30 to 5:30 P.M. - open book, 6 P.M. to 8 P.M. will be the Board of Review, motion by John to approve, seconded by Joe.

Public Comment - Roads - discussion of 742nd shoulders and run-off using $\frac{1}{4}$ inch limestone instead of $\frac{3}{4}$ inch which resulted in dissatisfaction. Discussed the Paser process of evaluating the roads of Clifton. Discussed 757th to be seal coated - F to 770th, 1250th to be widened and 770th for patching.

Approval of checks 2618 - 2636 - omitting 2631, 2632, 2629, and 2623, motion by John to approve, seconded by Joe, motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by John, seconded by Joe, motion carried, meeting was adjourned at 9:20 P.M.

Submitted by,

Judy Clement-Lee
Clerk/Treasurer

June 4, 2013 Minutes
Town of Clifton

The hearing was called to order by chair, LeRoy Peterson. There was no objection to the Alcohol Licensing

Hearing to consider adopting Ordinance 3-2013 Nonmetallic Mining Licensing.

There was no objection.

Hearing to consider amending the Citation Ordinance regarding violations of the Nonmetallic Mining Licensing Ordinance.

There was no objection.

Joe made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by John Rohl, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Town Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Chair, LeRoy Peterson at 8:20 P.M. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the clerk. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Joe, seconded by John, motion carried. The treasurer's report was given.

A motion was made by John to approval the Class B renewal of Alcohol Beverage Licenses for the Clifton Highlands Golf Club, Inc and the Clifton Hollow Golf Club, seconded by Joe, motion carried.

A motion was made by John to approve the licenses for the following servers of Clifton Highlands, Inc.: Susan Smith, Ryan Timm, Paige Hood, Joe DeRose, Carly Jerry, Gwen Lysne, Todd Hauschildt, Thomas Brown, Rob Magnuson, Margaret Bloom and Stephanie Silvers, contingent on proof of certification, for Clifton Hollow: Michael Sampson, Sierra Becker, Adrianna Tri, Lindsay VanDeWater, Heather Lee, Jim Farrell, Chuck Egeberg, Mike Tschida seconded by Joe, motion carried.

Building Permits:

William Markert - House - W12644 - 714th Avenue. R.F (Joe/John)

Jared Schickling - House - N7616 1126th R.F. (Joe/John)

Churchill - storage - W12300 Hywy 29, Prescott (John/Joe)

Brandon Dosch - deck - W11951 - 757th Ave. R.F. (Joe/John)

Consideration of approval of Ordinance 3-2013 Nonmetallic Mining Licensing: After discussion with the Town Board members, Joe made a motion to approve the Ordinance 3-2013 as presented, seconded by John, motion carried.

Discussion/action on resolution adopting a fee schedule: The Town of Clifton has not had a published fee schedule. The board discussed the various fees that the board deals with comparison of other Towns. Joe made a motion to accept the fee schedule, seconded by John, motion carried.

Discussion/action on road repairs - Stuart Henning along with Todd Helland and Peter Bocwinsky were there to question the condition of 742nd Avenue in Gateway to the Valley South. There is run off the main road. Stuart Henning questioned whether the county rep. had been out to check the roads. LeRoy answered not yet. Stuart Henning questioned again if the county rep would be out, Judy Clement-Lee responded that the county rep would be checking the roads when the weather would improve. Discussion ensued regarding the budget for roads. Joe Rohl made arrangements to meet Stuart Henning to look at 742nd Avenue.

The Board of Review date was set for July 10th. (John/Joe)

John made a motion to approve checks 2604 through 2617, seconded by Joe, motion carried.

Joe made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by John, motion carried.

Submitted by,

Judy Clement-Lee
Clerk/Treasurer

May 7, 2013 Minutes
Town of Clifton

The meeting was called to order by chair, LeRoy Peterson at 7:30 P.M. The clerk read the minutes, John made a motion to approve the minutes, Joe seconded the motion, motion carried.

Building permits;

Susan Goode/Mike Miller – house on N8160 Cty F, R.F. (joe/John) motion carried.

Dan Roth – house – W12169 75th Avenue, R.F. contingent on obtaining a sanitary permit.(Joe/john) motion carried

Conditional Use Permit – Shannon Zimmerman – Sec 3 27N-19W SW NW Shannon Zimmerman stated that his operation on 875th Avenue, would be open to the public from Thursday through Sunday, April through December, weather permitting with the core business being open from May through October, they will have a wine, sampling line, consumption line, purchase line, eating from a small menu – produced from grapes raised on his property will also be distributed from this location.

Catherine Munkittreck, attorney for the residents located on 1090th Street, 875th Avenue and 840th Avenue who are opposed to the project offered her comments. Catherine Munkittreck had previously sent out documents regarding the situation and to draw attention to the Pierce County Zoning Plan, the Town Comprehensive Plan and the Pierce County Comprehensive Plan and what the Town Board should consider in making a recommendation on this application.

Application (12 pages) was not originally received by the board.

More than a winery, will it produce wine

Commercial restaurant (business needs this to survive)

Located in a residential area (commercial operation in Gen. rur. Flex)

Also renting out facility for private parties, gift shop, more than a winery (more than winetasting and incidental food) Andy Picotta –(incidental food is cheese and crackers)

Will eventually apply for wine license, beer license and mixed drinks – fully licensed (not a winery) 62 car parking lot

Roads are two lane with no shoulders (road is a potential biking pay according to the comp. plan) (Will compromise public safety on the roads)

Fact that it needs a restaurant to sustain the business does not meet the nature-based operation Does not meet the two major uses that it applied for

It is now a residential area – disturbance, traffic, noise, consistency of buildings - No

6000 ft inside 6000 outside 9000 reception area – does fit in, not consistent

Solid waste treatment – how will that be handled? (non domestic waste to take care of of – How?)

Town Com. Plan – purpose to separate inconsistent uses – promote good housing will this set a precedent (property values will decrease).

Vegetative bumpers are not enough.

Applicants needs to show to prove to the board that they can meet these factors. Every factor is detrimental to the surrounding neighborhood. (petition with 98 signatures.)

Joe Rohl – What volume of production do you see----- year three - 30,000 bottle range. Will also have some blended wines with max of 40,000 to 45,000, wines transported by vans, once a week (regional businesses, distribution, properly care for vines. Have you looked for well solutions? Describe for me a limited menu

Shannon – pizza, bruschetta, pasta and cheeses -

Joe - what if there were limitations on these items

Shannon – we would work with the county- wine tasting aim, appreciate a beautiful setting, not detrimental at all.

Joe - shielding – neighbors to the east and the south

Shannon – will do whatever is necessary – will work within decibel levels. If permit was solely for the vineyard that would be a limiting factor

Greg Eggers – goals and objections – to protect quality of life, not to discourage, some sounds more commercial, some sounds inconsistent with the goal, but some may be working with the comp. plan in this project.

Stuart Henning - what if you only produce and sell grapes?

Shannon – from a financial standpoint, would not be as profitable.

Greg Tarr – banquet, weddings, bands, --- 840th Avenue – very treacherous – blind curves – inconsistent for commercial traffic

Unsafe road

Cyclist – biking groups ; (200 bikes) identified as recreational

Noise - Kitchen Hood – noisy

Stacey Ward – stable horses on 1060th (from Minneapolis) where is the money in this business? Money is mainly in the wine producing

Cathy – inconsistent with what he says on his application – wine sales largest contributor, on site uses is quite large – 62 car parking lot – but making money from distribution are critical to his business, don't focus on distribution = meaningful but not substantial – wine sales, incidental food items, 2800 sq ft, - that is not a winery – it is a business - "to operate a restaurant of that size can't be done....

Shannon = don't make the mistake of others and come back several times, as at the suggestion of Andy Picotta - food is intended to facilitate the wine and to enjoy that experience. But he doesn't want the fan noise also.

Gary Borgstadt – live directly east of Zimmerman – concerned about the noise – petition signed by 98 people –

Jana Kusilek - questions

Animal deterrent system

20 steps from Zimmerman

Treeline – cannot shade grapes

Decibel measurement

Joe – CUP – what is the forcibility and can it be done

LeRoy – conditional use permit – 2 years – can be pulled

Connie Holck – many against the restaurant – 62 car parking lot – requests to deny CUP

Bill Thiel – respectfully to pass this on to county –(Zimmermans)

Agri – business – needs parking lot = promote commercial according to comp. plan

875th is a private road

Robert Scott – decision should be at the local level, not the county. Don't pass the buck

Bill Thiel – decision rests with the county level

Joe Rohl – comprehensive plan driven by each individual township plan. Too expensive to hire a zoning administrator, town has right to be stricter than the county – township has the right to put limits on this. Have to be respectful to Mr. Zimmerman's rights as well as to everybody else's. Right to privacy. Zoning isn't addressed by the county at all. We need to meet with our attorney ---

Joe made a motion to table this and to meet with the attorney at a future meeting to know what to do with this, at a closed session, seconded by LeRoy Peterson. (this was an illegal motion as there is no reason for the closed – session – only for personnel)

John – against a restaurant in a residential area

BOR date, Thursday, June 27 – open book 3:30 to 6:00 to 8:00 BOR

Fee Schedule - table

Checks – 2595 - 2603

Public Comment

Stu Henning – What is happening Cty F what is going on with F, FF

April 3, 2013 Minutes
Town of Clifton

The meeting was called to order by Chair, LeRoy Peterson. The clerk read the minutes of the last meeting. LeRoy made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by John, motion carried

Building permits"

David May - Remodel - W12578 835th R.F. (John/LeRoy) motion carried

Greg Haas - Garage - W12050 877 Ave. R.F. (John/LeRoy) motion carried

Conditional use permit - Shannon Zimmerman - Shannon was there to present his plans (again) for a vineyard and winery with a light food menu. There were several residents of the town to question his project. Concerns of the residents were how large his business would be, how much traffic, hours of the business, housing of the wines, distribution of wines. It was agreed that Mr. Zimmerman and the neighbors would have a meeting; there will also be a hearing on the conditional use permit at the County level. (minutes attached).

Ordinance to Extend Town Officer Term - This is the first year that the term will begin the third Tuesday in April instead of the 2nd Tuesday in April. This is why the ordinance was necessary. Motion made by John to approve, seconded by LeRoy, motion passed.

Wisconsin Towns Association Workshop - This is to be held May 30th in Eau Claire Wisconsin. LeRoy made a motion to approve the attendance of Judy Clement-Lee, John seconded the motion, motion carried. Fee is \$60.

Fee schedule - tabled until next month.

Conditional use permit for John Mickelson - John Mickelson presented his plan for his home at N6901 Cty F, Prescott. He had already completed several projects without permits from either the County or the Town. He had built a structure within 50 feet of the ordinary high water mark, replaced and extended the stairway, graded and build a deck onto his house. John made a motion to approve the conditional use permit, seconded by Leroy, motion carried. Building permit charges shall be double.

Approval of Checks - John made a motion to approve checks 2573 with 2580 voided, to 2593, seconded by Leroy Peterson. John made a motion to adjourn at 9:10, seconded by LeRoy Peterson, motion carried.

Submitted by,

Judy Clement-Lee

In attendance: Joe and Lynn Gednalski, Matt Frisbie, Marge and Don Dusek, Keith Getschel, Carol Schoenthalet, Gary and Masrcia Borgstadt, John and Connie Holck, Pat Kusilek, Morn Kusilek, Don and Marg Dusek.

March 5, 2013 Minutes
Town of Clifton

The meeting was called to order by Chair, LeRoy Peterson. The minutes of the last meeting were read. John Rohl made a motion to approve the minutes, LeRoy Peterson seconded the motion, motion carried.

Building Permits:

Steve Huppert - remodel - W11599 840th Avenue, R.F. (John, LeRoy)

Since there was no more business before the board, John made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8 P.M., Leroy seconded the motion, motion carried.

Submitted by,

Judy Clement-Lee

February 5, 2013 Minutes
Town of Clifton

The meeting was called to order by Chair, LeRoy Peterson. The clerk read the minutes. Greg Eggers made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by John Rohl, motion passed.

There were no building permits.

Todd Dolan, Clifton's building inspector was there to renew his contract. Greg made a motion to renew Todd's contract for two years, seconded by John, motion carried. LeRoy questioned two driveways; Todd will look at them and advise the owners as to steps to be taken.

A proposal was presented to the board by Nolan Wall of Stevens Engineering to work on a Frac Sand Mining and Developer's Ordinance. This proposal was reviewed by the Planning Commission at their January meeting and was recommended to the Board for approval. Greg made a motion to approve the proposal, John seconded the motion, motion carried. The fee is set at \$3400.

Public Comment - Joe Rohl representing the Prescott Ems Department, told the board that there is a shortage of volunteers in the EMS department which affects the time a call is answered. One way to remedy the situation is to have an EMS volunteer to be on staff 24 hours a day and to increase the pay. No action has been taken yet.

Residents from the Town of Oak Grove were there to express their interest and applaud our procedures regarding the Frac Sand Ordinance. They also invited us to any of their meetings regarding same.

Approval of checks 2551 - 2566, motion by Greg, seconded by John, motion carried. Motion by John to adjourn, seconded by Greg, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m.

Submitted by,

Judy Clement-Lee

Clerk/Treasurer

January 1, 2013 Minutes
Town of Clifton

The hearing was called to order by Chair, LeRoy Peterson. Greg Eggers volunteered to chair the hearing, as he was not going to be on the ballot this time.

Nominations were open for Town Chair - Joe Rohl nominated LeRoy Peterson for Town Chair, seconded by John Rohl. There were no other nominations.

Supervisor I - Warren Wilson nominated John Rohl, seconded by Judy Clement-Lee. Stuart Henning was nominated by Judy Henning, seconded by Stuart Henning. There were no other nominations.

Supervisor II - Warren Wilson nominated Joe Rohl, seconded by LeRoy Peterson. There were no other nominations,

Clerk/Treasurer - LeRoy Peterson nominated Judy Clement-Lee, seconded by Warren Wilson. There were no other nominations.

Motion to close the caucus was made by Joe Rohl, seconded by Judy Clement-Lee, motion carried.

Town Board

Meeting was called to order by chair, LeRoy Peterson. The clerk read the minutes. Stuart Henning corrected the minutes by stating he did not complain about the erosion of the road. Greg made a motion to accept the amended minutes, seconded by John Rohl, motion carried.

There were no building permits.

Greg made a motion to approve the following election inspectors: Betty Merriman, Deb Branigan, Susan Goode, Kathy Beck, Delores Pechacek, Caroline Wisnieuski and Nancy Rifleman, seconded by John, motion carried.

Chad Johnson, Pierce County Highway Commissioner told the Town Board that the County Highway Department was not going take any action on the intersection of 770th Avenue and Highway F, besides the replacement of the signage.

Greg made a motion to approve checks 2534 - 2550, seconded by John, motion carried.

John made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Greg, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Submitted by,

Judy Clement-Lee
Clerk/Treasurer