

**Board of Selectmen
Town Hall Conference Room
Wednesday, June 15, 2011
Minutes**

Present: First Selectman William W. Fritz, Jr.; Selectmen, Dolly Mezzetti, Thomas Vicino, Ray Apel and Carol Walter.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the United States flag.

VISITORS

Vincent Cimino spoke in regards to the funding of Clinton Landing and the over expenditures. A lengthy discussion followed. Walter made a motion, seconded by Apel, that William Fritz is personally responsible for the cost over runs on the Clinton Landing Project. A vote of 2 in favor (Walter and Apel) and two opposed (Mezzetti and Vicino). Fritz did not vote. The motion did not pass due to a tie vote 2 to 2.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JUNE 8, 2011

Mezzetti made a motion, seconded by Vicino, to approve the minutes from June 8, 2011. The motion was unanimously approved.

RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Fritz received a letter from the Democratic Town Committee requesting to appoint Erica Gelven to the Youth and Family Services Board and James Scanlon to the Water Pollution Control Commission. Mezzetti made a motion, seconded by Vicino to appoint Erica Gelven (D) to the Youth and Family Services Board for a term until June 30, 2014 and James Scanlon (D) to the Water Pollution Control Commission for a term until June 30, 2014. The motion was unanimously approved.

ARTIFICIAL TURF FIELD BID – SITE WORK / FIELD WORK

William Aniskovich, Robert Potter and Joseph Schettino were present for the meeting. Schettino reviewed the bid summary sheet. The Artificial Turf Field Committee met last week and approved awarding contract # 1 (site preparation) to Coastline Construction and contract # 2 (Artificial Turf) to Sprinturf.

Contract #1 Bid:	\$379,000.00
Contract #2 Bid:	\$408,678.00
Fees:	<u>\$107,500.00</u>
	\$895,178.00

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Budget:	\$985,000.00
Total Costs	<u>\$895,178.00</u>
Contingency	\$ 89,822.00

Sprinturf agrees to install a synthetic turf field for a project price of \$408,678.00. This amount includes the Ultrablade MM with thatch zone, the artificial turf in the team area, the green coated SBR in-fill (Cool Fill), and the "Husky Dog" center field logo. The turf field will need to be groomed. The Department of Public Works will be trained on how to operate the grooming machine.

Mezzetti made a motion, seconded by Vicino to award contract #1 (site preparation) to Coastline Construction for \$379,000.00. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mezzetti made a motion, seconded by Apel, to award contract #2 (Artificial Turf) to Sprinturf for \$408,678.00. The motion was unanimously approved.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – FLEET / TRADE IN

Major Santry said the July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012 capital budget allows the Police Department to purchase one replacement vehicle. Santry would like to trade in some older vehicles to offset some of the cost. Santry will trade in four old Ford Crown Victoria from the Town fleet, one old Dodge Intrepid and one old Ford Crown Victoria from the Police Department fleet. Santry is hoping for between \$4,000 - \$8,000 total for all the trade-ins. Fritz said the town truck is in need of a new transmission. Santry said before he trades in the SUV he will get a full mechanics report on the vehicle. Mezzetti made a motion, seconded by Vicino, to authorize Major Santry to trade-in town and police department vehicles from the fleet. The motion was unanimously approved.

FINANCE DIRECTOR RESOLUTIONS

Kevin Kane, Finance Director reviewed the management letter from the audit. The letter states the town has several project within the Capital Bonding Fund that were not fully appropriated. The overextended projects within the Capital Bonding Fund as of June 30, 2010 are the Clinton Landing Project and the Bulkheads. \$6,372,500 was appropriated in 2007 for various infrastructure improvements projects. Kane said some of the projects from that bonding package came in under budget and the bulkheads had a \$500,000 grant that was never applied. The Board of Selectmen approved a resolution on September 5, 2007, stating "the First Selectman is authorized to determine the priority of the exact amounts to be spent on each infrastructure improvement project from the list attached hereto as Exhibit A".

Mezzetti made a motion, seconded by Vicino and unanimously approved to adopt the following resolution as recommended by bond counsel to the Finance Director:

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**Resolution of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Clinton**

WHEREAS, the of Selectman on October 11,2006 and the Board of Finance on October 16, 2006 accepted a \$500,000 Small Town Economic Assistance Grant for work on bulkheads which was approved by the voters Town of Clinton (the "Town") at a special town meeting on November 8, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Charter of the Town provides that the Board of Selectman may enter into grant agreements, accept funds dispersed under said grant agreements and appropriate the same for the use intended subject to approval of the Board of Finance and the voters of the Town at town meeting; and

WHEREAS, such appropriation of \$500,000 for work on the bulkheads was not recorded properly on the Town's financial records; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Selectman desires to correct this error in financial accounting.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Selectman that it hereby confirms the acceptance of the \$500,000 Small Town Economic Assistance Grant to be used to reduce the cost of repairing and/or replacing bulkheads in the Town and hereby directs the Director of Finance to correct the mistake made in the financial reporting for the Town and include the \$500,000 appropriation in the Capital Bonding Projects Fund.

Mezzetti made a motion, seconded by Apel and unanimously approved to adopt the following resolution as recommended bond counsel to the Finance Director for the capital bonding projects:

**Resolution of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Clinton**

WHEREAS, the Town of Clinton (the "Town") has authorized numerous capital projects and the issuance of bonds to finance such capital projects; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds of the bonds issued to finance such capital projects have been placed collectively in the Town's Capital Bonding Projects Fund; and

WHEREAS, all capital improvements for which such bonds have been issued have been completed; and

WHEREAS, \$1,082,459.86 remain in the Town's Capital Bonding Projects Fund.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Selectmen hereby directs the Director of Finance to transfer the surplus funds in the Town's Capital Bonding Projects Fund to a new fund or account created for the proceeds of bonds issued pursuant to a resolution approved at referendum on April 6, 2011 to

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fund appropriations for various infrastructure improvement projects in the amount of \$9,380,000 (the "Resolution") and that the amounts placed in such new fund or account shall be used for projects authorized by the Resolution and reduce the amount of bonds necessary to be issued to fund such appropriations.

Mezzetti made a motion, seconded by Apel and unanimously approved to adopt the following resolution as recommended by bond counsel to the Finance Director:

**Resolution of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Clinton**

WHEREAS, the Town of Clinton has authorized appropriations and the issuance of bonds to fund such appropriations for the following projects (the "Projects") in the following amounts:

Indian River Recreation Project	\$1,928,000
Road Improvements	\$3,552,000
Land and Building Purchase	\$1,522,000
Joel School Project	\$6,110,000
Various Infrastructure Improvement Projects (approved 2/28/2007)	\$6,372,500

WHEREAS, the Projects are complete and all amounts necessary have been spent to complete such Projects; and

WHEREAS, certain amounts remain authorized but unissued for each Project.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that each of the Projects is hereby closed and the Director of Finance is hereby directed to make the appropriate entries in the Capital Bonding Projects Fund of the Town.

Mezzetti made a motion, seconded Vicino to authorize the First Selectman to sign the Certificate of the First Selectman of the Town of Clinton. A vote of three in favor (Mezzetti, Apel and Vicino) and one opposed (Walter). Fritz did not vote. The motion passed 3 to 1.

Certificate of the First Selectman of the Town of Clinton

I, William W. Fritz, First Selectman of the Town of Clinton, in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Selectmen approved on September 5, 2007 which, among other things, authorizes the First Selectman to determine the priority of exact amounts to be spent on each infrastructure improvement project which projects were initially approve on January 10, 2007 by the Board of Selectmen and attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, hereby revise the amounts authorized for specific infrastructure improvement projects as set forth below.

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Decrease the amount authorized for bonding costs from \$200,000 to \$113,083.

Decrease the amount authorized for Morgan Auditorium Roof from \$220,000 to \$210,000.

Decrease the amount authorized for Eliot Roof from \$242,000 to \$232,000.

Decrease the amount authorized for Morgan Windows from \$297,000 to \$282,000.

Decrease the amount authorized for Morgan Boilers from \$1,000,000 to \$936,000.

Decrease the amount authorized for Pierson Gym Roof from \$77,000 to \$74,000.

Decrease the amount authorized for Morgan Auditorium from \$50,000 to \$12,000.

Increase the amount authorized for Eliot Oil Tank from \$126,500 to \$127,417.

Increase the amount authorized for Clinton Landing from \$200,000 to \$426,000.

The rest of the appropriations for the infrastructure improvement projects should stay as originally estimated. Attached hereto as **Exhibit B** is a revised list of 2007-2008 bonding projects.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hands as of the 15th day of June 2011.

William W. Fritz

Walter said she was very disappointed in her fellow selectmen for not questioning this transfer and gross over expenditure.

LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

Mezzetti made a motion, seconded by Apel and unanimously approved the following line item transfers as recommended by the Finance Director and send to the Board of Finance for approval.

Park and Recreation

- Decrease part time salaries by \$600.00 and increase overt time salaries by \$600.00
- Decrease Teen Center by \$500.00 and increase Clinton Family Day by \$500.00

Social Services

- Decrease repairs/maintenance by \$25.00 and increase office supplies/postage by \$25.00

Technology

- Decrease computer consulting (was in Police Department account) by \$11,637.00 and increase salaries by \$11,637.00

Fire Marshal

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- Decrease convention & dues by \$107.16 and increase personal protection gear by \$107.16.

Finance Department

- Decrease contingency by \$6,700 and increase audit & accounting by \$6,700.

REDFIELD DONATION

A \$25,000 donation to fund the improvements to the Town Beach facilities for a new Bathhouse and Concession building has been donated from the RedField foundation. Mezzetti made a motion, seconded by Vicino to accept the \$25,000 donation and send to the Board of Finance for approval. The motion was unanimously approved.

CLINTON LIONS CLUB

The Clinton Lions Club Golf Tournament will be held Monday, June 27, 2011 at the Clinton Country Club. The proceeds will benefit Project D.A.R.E. and other youth programs. Mezzetti made a motion, seconded by Vicino to donate \$100.00 (Tee Sponsor) to the Clinton Lions Club and D.A.R.E. The motion was unanimously approved.

SELECTMEN'S REPORTS

The board thanked everyone for all their hard work with this year's cancer walk. The softball game was played but all afternoon activities were canceled due to rain.

Apel reported on Monday night's Police Commission meeting. Police overtime was discussed. Apel attended a Medal of Honor Ceremony held at the Water's Edge Resort in Westbrook.

Vicino reported on last week's Turf Committee meeting.

Walter reported on the Beach Building Committee. The project is moving along as rapidly as they can but because of the weather the project might open a little later than anticipated.

The Morgan High School Graduation is Monday, June 20th at 6pm. The graduation will be held outside weather permitted.

The Chamber Breakfast will be held in the cafeteria at Unilever on Thursday, June 23rd at 8:00 AM.

ADJOURN

Mezzetti made a motion, seconded by Apel, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned at 9:17 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mary Schettino

**Exhibit B
07/08 Bonding – Revised**

<u>Project</u>	<u>07/08 Bonding (\$)</u>
DWP Office	750,000
WSAM (Outside)	360,000
Road Reconstruction	2,000,000
Bulkheads / Harbor	500,000
Docks	350,000
Clinton Landing	426,000
Morgan Boilers	936,000
Morgan Auditorium	12,000
Oil Tank (Eliot)	127,417
Morgan Windows	282,000
Pierson Gym Roof	74,000
Eliot Roof Phase 111	232,000
Auditorium Roof	210,000

Issuing a one year note and then permanent 20 year bond costs about \$113,083