

Flag Salute.

Roll Call: Dineen (8:06 pm), Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

**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.”

**Mayor Kovach welcomed the public to the public meeting and explained how the meeting will be run by reading the following statement :**

NJSA 10:4-8(b) authorizes municipalities to conduct public meetings through use of streaming services and other online meeting platforms. Recently adopted P.L. 2020, c.11 amends OPMA to clarify that in times of emergency public bodies may vote, accept public comment and cause a meeting to be open to the public via electronic means.

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Please feel free to reach out with a note at [jkovach@clintonnj.gov](mailto:jkovach@clintonnj.gov) anytime!

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Humphrey, to approve the minutes of September 22, 2021 as submitted.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

A motion was made by Ms. Intrabartola, seconded by Ms. Karsh, to accept the Executive Session minutes of September 22, 2021 as submitted.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS**

A motion was made by Mr. Traphagen, seconded by Ms. Humphrey to approve the monthly reports for the month of September as submitted.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

1. The deadline for registering for the League of Municipalities and hotel rooms is October 25, 2021. Please inform the clerk of your intentions before then.
2. Attended a virtual meeting with Acting Attorney General Andrew J. Bruck. Topics of conversation were price gauging due to Hurricane Ida, cannabis, police training, lame duck bills and initiatives that will have a negative impact on Clinton and may have to pass resolutions opposing.
3. 30<sup>th</sup> year of Haunted Red Mill opened Friday, October 8, 2021 with a “bloody ribbon cutting” and A&E team of Ghost Hunters to kick off the season!
4. Main Street Half Marathon was held October 10, 2021 and congratulations to Councilwoman Dineen and Mayor Kovach for finishing successfully! Great time!
5. Mayor Kovach explained that over the weekend some incidents occurred that even in Clinton, we are not excused of kids pranks. Tonight Council will adopt the annual curfew.
6. A Citizen Involvement form was submitted by resident, Norma Kania. A motion was made by Mr. Traphagen, seconded by Mr. Humphrey, to appoint Ms. Kania to the Historic Commission.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION – HURRICANE IDA**

Mayor Kovach invited members of the South Branch Emergency Services, Clinton Fire Department and our Police Department to present them with a proclamation acknowledging the outstanding efforts the night of Hurricane Ida and the days following. The challenges faced were life threatening and our trained men and women went above and beyond the call of duty for protecting and saving lives. The Council Room was packed with our first responders which was a true testament of heroism. A very proud moment.

**PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCE #21-22 – HISTORIC REVIEW**

A motion was made by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Humphrey, to open the public hearing of Ordinance #21-22:

**ORDINANCE #21-22**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF CLINTON TO ADD ARTICLE XV TO REQUIRE REVIEW BY THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION PRIOR TO THE ISSUANCE OF DEMOLITION PERMITS**

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

Phil Franzone, Center Street, stated that he thought the ordinance was a good idea but “keep arms around it” before it goes too far for residents.

Nancie Greaney, 58 Halstead Street, stated she was a member of the Historic Commission when the idea was originally discussed to designate the Clinton Historic District and was ultimately entered onto the New Jersey Register of Historic Places on March 3, 1995 and entered onto the National Register of Historic Places on September 28, 1995. Ms. Greaney provided letters from the State of New Jersey congratulating the Town upon receiving designation which was also favorably received by the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C. and subsequently signed onto the National Register by the Keeper of the National Register! Every homeowner received a plaque stating "This property has been placed on the New Jersey Register of Historic Places".

Alexa Offenhauer, 36 West Main Street, asked why now would the Commission want to put this ordinance in place? The ordinance is to have a review of applications being applied for a demo permit and to determine the need for it.

Roger Mellick, Center Street, house built 1755, stated that this ordinance is to keep the historic integrity of the Town.

Jeremy Padmos, 16 Water Street, house built 1832, was given a copy of the proposed ordinance and does not want something that would infringe on a homeowner's rights.

Rosemarie Platt, Center Street, the lot is huge and is the prime example of someone wanting to buy that big lot and tearing down the house and building a "McMansion" this is the premise of this ordinance, to avoid someone demolishing a perfectly structurally sound home to build a multifamily or anything not of a historic façade. Ms. Karsh said this ordinance is an impact on 270 homeowners in the historic district and feels this is a slippery slope ordinance and feels this is adding an administrative layer for homeowners.

John Kashwick, 21 Water Street, is in support of the ordinance but feels there should be a more formal process. Coming from Bergen County, Mr. Kaskwick witnessed the demolition of historic homes to have McMansions built on lots so it is something to consider but if changing zoning, feels there should be input from the Land Use Board. Attorney St. Angelo said is it not a change to the zoning, it is a change to requirements to getting a demo permit. The ultimate decision lies with the construction official.

Molly and Jeremy Padmos were concerned that just removing finials from their front porch could be considered removing historic features and could be fined, and was assured that is definitely not the case. The language needs to be tightened up a bit.

Councilman Humphrey is in favor of the ordinance but not the cost, feels there should be a CAP on the fees.

There being no further comments from the audience, a motion was made to close the public hearing.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

A motion was made by Mr. Humphrey, seconded by Ms. Karsh to table the continuation of this evening's discussion and table this hearing until October 27, 2021, the next council meeting. Attorney St. Angelo will edit the proposed ordinance to clarify that a person cannot intentionally make a house uninhabitable and a discussion around a potential cost. Mayor Kovach asked for a commitment from Council, stressed the importance to council that it be read thoroughly long before the next meeting.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Dineen, Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

Mayor Kovach asked Councilman Traphagen to inquire how Westfield handles CAPS for reviews and get a price range perspective of how the process is handled.

**ORDINANCE #21-24 – AMENDING LAND USE APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

A motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Karsh, to open the public hearing of Ordinance #21-24:

**ORDINANCE #21-24**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING TOWN OF CLINTON CODE SECTION 88-39 REGARDING LAND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION FILING PROCEDURES AND THE “LAND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION – DEVELOPMENT REVIEW CHECKLIST”**

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

There being no public comment, a motion was made by Ms. Intrabartola, seconded by Mr. Traphagen, to close the public portion of the meeting.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

A motion was made by Mr. Humphrey, seconded by Ms. Dineen, to adopt Ordinance #21-24 on final reading.

ROLL CALL: Dineen, Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**RESOLUTION #145-21 – LIABILITY WAIVER FOR SKATE PARK USERS**

This resolution will be tabled for this meeting.

**RESOLUTION #146-21 - RECONCILIATION OF WATER RESERVATIONS**

A motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Intrabartola, to adopt Resolution #143-21 as submitted:

**RESOLUTION # 146-21**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WATER ALLOCATION RECALCULATIONS IN COMPLIANCE WITH REVISIONS TO N.J.A.C. 5:21-5.2**

**WHEREAS**, on March 24, 2015, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton adopted Ordinance 15-1, which amended Chapter 142 of the General Ordinances of the Town of Clinton by creating procedures for applying for and receiving approval for water reservations; and

**WHEREAS**, Town Code Section 142-11(C)(7) requires that water allocation applications include “detailed water demand calculations in accordance with R.S.I.S., N.J.A.C. 5:21, and N.J.A.C. 7:12,” and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Residential Site Improvement Standards (“RSIS”), specifically N.J.A.C. 5:21-5.2, were revised on October 7, 2020 to reduce residential daily water demand calculations; and

**WHEREAS**, in light of these changes, the Water Committee has determined that it is in the best interests of the Town to recalculate and reassess water allocations for proposed and unbuilt projects to reflect the changes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc. (“Suburban”), the Town’s consulting water engineers, are authorized to review all existing water allocation permits and recalculate the required water allocations in accordance with the revised RSIS standards cited above. Suburban shall provide such revised water allocation calculations to the Mayor and Council for review and approval.
2. Suburban shall incorporate any reductions in these allocations into the quarterly letter of water availability.
3. Nothing herein shall have any effect on water allocations granted by contract.
4. Certified copies of this resolution shall be provided to the Suburban and the Town of Clinton Superintendent of Water.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**RESOLUTION #147-21 – WATER RESERVATION APPROVAL**

A motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Karsh, to adopt Resolution #147-21 as submitted:

**RESOLUTION # 147-21**

**RESOLUTION UNCONDITIONALLY APPROVING WATER CAPACITY RESERVATION  
EXTENSION AND TRANSFER (APPLICATION # L20-06) AND ADDITIONAL WATER  
CAPACITY RESERVATION (APPLICATION #L21-06)**

**WHEREAS**, on March 24, 2015, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton adopted Ordinance 15-1, which amended Chapter 142 of the General Ordinances of the Town of Clinton by creating procedures for applying for and receiving approval for water reservations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town received Water Reservation Application # L20-06, dated July 2, 2020, submitted in the name of the Township of Clinton/LeCompte Project (Township of Clinton, Block 29, Lot 4, Tax Map Page 7, located at 65 Valley Crest Road); and

**WHEREAS**, on July 21, 2020, the Town’s Water Consulting Engineer, Suburban Consulting Engineers, informed the Town of Clinton Water Committee of their recommendation of approval of the aforementioned application which proposes development of ninety (90) 1/2/3 bedroom apartments and 2,500 SF office space and community room; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Chapter 142, Section 1, Sub-section J(3) of the Town’s Ordinances, on August 12, 2020 the Mayor and Council approved Water Reservation Application # L20-07 via Resolution 120-20 in the amount of 17,542 GPD, to which said approval was valid until July 22, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 20, 2021, the Town of Clinton received communication from the applicant requesting that (1) the extension of water reservation be approved, and (2) that the reservation of water rights be transferred to another affordable housing project within their municipal jurisdiction, referred to as the Willows at Spruce Run (Township of Clinton, Block 70, Lots 6 & 6.01, Tax Map Page 13, located at 1726 Route 31); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Town Council Resolution #120-21, the Town conditionally granted the extension and transfer request conditioned upon the applicant providing information on phasing the project or obtaining the additional water capacity; and

**WHEREAS**, the water allocation transferred under Application #L20-06 was reduced to 14,052 gpd under the revised RSIS standards; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town received Water Reservation Application #L21-06 dated September 20, 2021 and revised October 8, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, at its meeting on September 22, 2021, the Town of Clinton Water Committee recommended the approval Application #L21-06 conditioned upon the Town of Clinton Water Engineer confirming the amounts of the requested water allocations are correct and the capacity is available; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 8, 2021, the Town's Water Consulting Engineer, Suburban Consulting Engineers, informed the Town of Clinton Water Committee and Town of Clinton Mayor and Council of their recommendation of approval of the afore-mentioned application which proposes development of 146 residential units with a fifty-five percent (55%) set aside for affordable housing; and

**WHEREAS**, the total water allocation for the Willows at Spruce Run project is 20,330 gpd;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, in accordance with Chapter 142, Section 1, Sub-section J(3) of the Town's Ordinances, on the Mayor and Council hereby unconditionally approves the transfer of a water allocation in the amount of 14,052 gpd granted under Water Reservation Application #L20-06 to Ingerman Development Company, LLC, the Willows at Spruce Run (Township of Clinton, Block 70, Lots 6 & 6.01, Tax Map Page 13, located at 1726 Route 31).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, in accordance with Chapter 142, Section 1, Subsection J(3) of the Town's Ordinances, the Mayor and Council approve Water Reservation Application #L21-06 for 6,278 gpd; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the total water allocation granted to Ingerman Development Company, LLC is 20,330 gpd for Willows at Spruce Run (Township of Clinton, Block 70, Lots 6 & 6.01, Tax Map Page 13, located at 1726 Route 31); and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the granting of this water allocation is contingent upon approval by the Superior Court of any revisions to the Township of Clinton's Affordable Housing Plan.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that certified copies of this resolution be provided to the Applicant, Suburban Consulting Engineers, and the Town of Clinton Superintendent of Water.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**RESOLUTION #148-21 – TEMPORARY INSPECTORS**

A motion was made by Mr. Humphrey, seconded by Mr. Traphagen, to adopt Resolution #148-21 as submitted:

**RESOLUTION # 148-21**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Clinton Construction Department has the need to hire temporary inspectors to cover the many inspections that will be required at the Old Urban Renewal 22 project, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Construction Official has recommended the following individuals be hired at the rate of \$35.00 per hour:

TRACY WENSKOSKI – Fire Sub-Code/Inspector

JOSEPH S. BRIGANTI – Building Sub-Code/Inspector

TIMOTHY DIETERMAN – Plumbing, Building and Fire Inspector

KEITH GRABOWSKI – Electrical Sub-Code/Inspector

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton hire Tracy Wenskoski, Joseph S. Briganti, Timothy Dieterman and Keith Grabowski as temporary inspectors for the Old Urban Renewal 22 project effective October 1, 2021.

The cost of these inspectors will be paid by the developer on a per diem basis.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**RESOLUTION #149-21 - HIRING OF DPW LABORER**

A motion was made by Ms. Intrabartola, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to adopt Resolution #149-21 as submitted:

**RESOLUTION # 149-21**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Clinton Water/Roads Department requires the hiring of one new Laborer, and;

**WHEREAS**, the position was advertised for, applications accepted and interviews performed, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Public Works/Business Administrator, Water/Roads Superintendent and Water Roads Foreman recommend that the following person be hired to fill the open position at a rate of \$19.12 per hour;

Jay Fike

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton hire Jay Fike to fill the open position of Laborer effective October 18, 2021.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**RESOLUTION #150-21 – DISCHARGE OF MORTGAGE**

A motion was made by Mr. Traphagen, seconded by Ms. Karsh, to adopt Resolution #150-21 as submitted:

**RESOLUTION # 150-21**  
**A RESOLUTION CONCERNING DISCHARGE OF**  
**AFFORDABLE HOUSING MORTGAGE**

**WHEREAS** Karissa D. Luca purchased a home at 17 Woodcrest Lane, Clinton, New Jersey, on April 28, 2011; and

**WHEREAS** this home was designated as an Affordable Housing unit in the Town of Clinton; and

**WHEREAS** pursuant to the State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division of Housing regulations, Karissa D. Luca executed a mortgage to the Town of Clinton Affordable Housing Authority which was recorded in Hunterdon County, New Jersey, on April 29, 2011 in Deed Book 2268 on page 452 (the "COAH Mortgage"); and

**WHEREAS**, on August 26, 2021, Karissa D. Luca sold the home to Rosemarie Sclafani who has executed a mortgage to the Affordable Housing Authority, which mortgage has been duly recorded;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor has the authority to execute a Discharge of the Mortgage given by Karissa D. Luca to the Town of Clinton Affordable Housing Authority.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Dineen, Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**RESOLUTION #151-21 – DISCHARGE OF MORTGAGE**

A motion was made by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Humphrey, to adopt Resolution #151-21 as submitted:

**RESOLUTION #151 - 21**  
**A RESOLUTION CONCERNING DISCHARGE OF**  
**AFFORDABLE HOUSING MORTGAGE**

**WHEREAS**, Teresa Santaguida purchased a home at 14 Rolling Hill Road, Clinton, New Jersey, on May 29, 2018; and

**WHEREAS** this home was designated as an Affordable Housing unit in the Town of Clinton; and

**WHEREAS** pursuant to the State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division of Housing regulations, Teresa Santaguida executed a mortgage to the Town of Clinton Affordable Housing Authority which was recorded in Hunterdon County, New Jersey, on July 6, 2018 in Deed Book 2442 on page 202 (the "COAH Mortgage"); and

**WHEREAS**, on September 21, 2021, Teresa Santaguida sold the home to Madeline Barbati who has executed a mortgage to the Affordable Housing Authority, which mortgage has been duly recorded;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor has the authority to execute a Discharge of the Mortgage given by Teresa Santaguida to the Town of Clinton Affordable Housing Authority.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Dineen, Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**RESOLUTION #152-21 – ANNUAL CURFEW**

A motion was made by Ms. Karsh, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to adopt Resolution #152-21 as submitted:

RESOLUTION # 152-21

**WHEREAS**, the period immediately prior and subsequent to Halloween, and the holiday time period commencing October 8, 2021 and continuing through November 8, 2021, a time when some persons under the age of eighteen and others may engage in mischief, acts of vandalism, and other petty disorderly offenses which are harmful to and interfere with the rights of citizens to use the streets and public areas of the Town of Clinton; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief of Police of the Town of Clinton has determined, after due investigation and deliberation, that the incidence of juvenile delinquency within the Town will or may reach such a level of frequency or severity so as to present a clear and present danger to the public peace, safety, health, morals and welfare of the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief of Police has studied and evaluated the question of the public safety and health in the Town of Clinton and has determined that the safety of the public and the welfare of juveniles will be enhanced if a nocturnal curfew is imposed limiting the ability of persons under the age of eighteen to use the streets and public areas of the Town of Clinton.

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 60 of the Ordinance of the Town of Clinton authorizes the imposition of a curfew.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, as follows:

- (A) Based on an oral report submitted to the Mayor and Council by the Chief of Police, the Mayor and Council hereby declare that a temporary emergency exists in the Town of Clinton during the period from Wednesday, October 13, 2021, up to and including Monday, November 8, 2021; and
- (B) The Mayor and Council do hereby declare a temporary curfew commencing at 9:00 p.m. October 13, 2021, up to and including 6:00 a.m. November 8, 2021. The terms of the curfew shall be consistent with Chapter 60 of the Code of the Town of Clinton.
- (C) Notice of this curfew shall be posted in accordance with Section 60-8 of the Ordinance of the Town of Clinton in such places as may be designated by the Chief of Police so as to give all interested parties notice of the imposition of the curfew.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**BANNER REQUEST**

A banner request was submitted by the Clinton Guild to display the Holiday Banner from November 15 through January 4, 2022. A motion was made by Mr. Humphrey, seconded by Mr. Traphagen, to approve the request.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST – PUMPKIN FEST**

A special event request to close Main Street, Friday, October 22, 2021 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. to enjoy Pumpkinfest! Chief Kubinak spoke to the organizers, the Clinton Guild, and made his recommendations to safely control the event. An officer will be present. A motion was made by Ms. Karsh, seconded by Ms. Intrabartola, to approve the request.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST – SANTACON 8k**

A motion was made by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Dineen, to approve the SANTACON8k event for December 18, 2021. Chief Kubinak discussed the event with organizer Eric Eisenhart, two officers will be available.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**WATER REFUND**

Nancy Burgess, Water Collector, is requesting a refund be issued in the amount of \$51.83 to Madochen Jules, 57 Sam Bonnell Drive. A motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Karsh, to approve the request.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Dineen, Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Ribbon cutting ceremony Thursday, October 21, 2021 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. for the new offices of Keller Williams, 120 West Main Street, Clinton.
2. Coffee with a Cop! Thursday, October 21, 2021 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Citispot on Main Street. An invitation to residents of Clinton to stop in and meet our officers and enjoy coffee and conversation!

**REPORTS OF COUNCIL**

**Councilwoman Johnson**

Recreation Committee – park steering committee continues to meet. Committee planning a fundraiser by selling holiday luminaries and partnering with the Clinton Guild. Non-denominational luminaries will be on sale starting Dickens Days weekend and more info will be on Facebook with a page dedicated to

purchasing. Planning on coordinating with Candlelight Night. "LIGHT UP THE HOLIDAYS!" Idea was brought up by Kristina Tuxhorn and Laura Burr.

School Board – Walk to School was held this morning and went very well, lots of Walking School Buses!  
Sock Drive – donate adult new socks, bin placed in front of Towne Restaurant. PTO fundraiser brought in over \$14,000. Halloween Parade to be held October 29.

**Councilman Humphrey**

Clinton Fire Department – Chief Jeff Hedden reported 34 calls for the month of September due to Hurricane Ida and 215 calls for the year. Firefighter One classes being held once again at the County, three firefighters enrolled. Three other firefighters leaving Clinton Fire Department, one moving to Hungry, firefighter Clancy taking a paid job in Tennessee and Firefighter Bardecker moving to Virginia. CFD standing by for Califon during their 100 year celebration on October 23, 2021. A drill on Monday, October 18, 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. pumping Lula Bell! A few neighboring companies are bringing their antique trucks as well! All are welcome to attend, if it rains the event will be postponed. Pizza fundraiser is happening!

Councilman Humphrey reported that Hunterdon County Government Officer's Association will meet Tuesday, October 26, always the last Tuesday of the Month. Speaker and spirited conversation is always on the agenda. Highly recommend everyone attend. Six municipalities joined in last meeting, topics addressed COVID relief, effects of IDA, Air B&B's and the loss of payment of the hotel tax for towns due to them.

Environmental Commission discussing ways to reduce litter in town generated by residents and businesses.

Two membership applications received: Member, Philip E. McPherson, 63 Overlook Drive, Clinton. Motion made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Johnson to accept the new member.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

Jr. member, Margaret E. Hann, 52 Thomas Street, High Bridge. Motion made by Ms. Intrabartola, seconded by Ms. Dineen to accept the new volunteer.

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**Councilwoman Dineen**

Ms. Dineen was serenaded by everyone with Happy Birthday!!

Roads – Georges Place is paved and looking good! Union Road project has a few punch list items to be finished but is mostly done. Electronic speed signs to be placed on Leigh Street, Union Road and Halstead Street. Drainage issue on Country Club Road. Alton Place landslide issue, State has no plan to improving the loss of trees.

Land Use Board – heard a interesting waiver of site plan at the last meeting for 37 Main Street, applicant will be returning to the board.

**Councilwoman Intrabartola**

Question for Chief Kubinak – is there a need for crossing guards? Yes, Chief Kubinak said he is having a difficult time getting guards.

**Councilman Traphagen**

Shade Tree – continuing to take down few trees and focusing on new plantings along with Recreation Committee.

South Branch Emergency Services, 461 calls for the month of September. Hampton emergency services planning to merge with South Branch in January.

**STANDBY AND OVERTIME**

A motion was made by Ms. Dineen, seconded by Ms. Johnson, to approve the standby and overtime attached to these minutes for the period of September 17 through September 30, 2021.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Dineen, Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

A motion was made by Mr. Humphrey seconded by Ms. Intrabartola to approve the voucher list as attached to these minutes.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Dineen, Humphrey, Intrabartola, Johnson, Karsh, Traphagen, Mayor Kovach

Vote all ayes  
Motion carried

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Humphrey to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 p.m.

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Cecilia Covino, RMC/CMC  
Municipal Clerk

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Janice Kovach, Mayor