

Village of Clifton Council Meeting

March 10, 2025

The Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Steve McFarland. Roll call was as follows:

Paula Lazorski	present	Kim Lewis	absent
Jack Moore	present	Lee Nicewaner	absent
A. Satariano, Jr	present	Robbie Tate	present

Also present were Ken Hensley and Rob Moses and from Greene County Sanitary Engineering: Mark Chandler, Randy Gilbert, James Boyd, and Russell Glassburn.

Prior to the official meeting, the representatives from Greene County Sanitary Engineering (GCSE) discussed a number of issues with the village's sewer system. They reported on the upgrade underway for the system to make it more efficient and reliable. This work should be completed later in the spring. They also made Council aware of problems with the system running properly due to excess/clean water being drained or pumped into the system. This is causing failure of the pumping system and backup into residences. Directing clean water, such as storm drainage, is prohibited. Residents need to be made aware of this. A long term solution would be improved storm water infrastructure, but in the short term, backups can be prevented by the residents installing a check valve in their line. Council pointed out that the village is working on improving the storm water infrastructure. They asked GCSE representatives if they can help with obtaining grants to get this work done more quickly.

The meeting was called to order at this time. The visitors left at this time.

The minutes from the February meeting were approved following a motion from Lazorski, second from Satariano, and all members present voting aye. The February Financial report was accepted unanimously following a motion by Lazorski and second from Satariano. Payment of the bills for February was approved unanimously following a motion by Lazorski and second by Moore.

In Old Business:

In Village Repairs:

Smoke detectors will be installed in the **Senior Center**.

The **school** is not quite completely vacated ahead of the state funded **renovations**.

Lazorski moved to add Ken Hensley to the **Committee on Critical Infrastructure** to help with planning improvements to the storm water system throughout the village. Moore seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. Council received additional estimates for improving **storm water drainage** along the property at 39 S. Main Street. Lazorski moved to appropriate \$7,060 for this work. Satariano seconded the motion and all members present voted aye. Steve McFarland offered to reimburse the portion for removal of a tree.

Council discussed the need to repair several **alleys** after winter snow plowing.

In Other Old Business:

Satariano reported on efforts to **obtain** grants for drainage and some "street scaping".

The **Planning and Zoning Commission** did not meet yet in March. A meeting is planned for Monday, March 31. Council discussed the need to deal with rabbits running loose from cages at the residence at 42 Clinton Street. A letter will be sent to the homeowner.

In New Business:

Lazorski moved to approve **contracts for mowing** village lands. Moore seconded the motion and all members present voted aye.

Satariano moved to approve **Resolutions #25-3-1 and #25-3-2** Declaring the Necessity to Levy Taxes in excess of the Ten Mill Limitation. This will put renewal of the 6.5 and 2.0 mill taxes on the November ballot. Moore seconded the motion and all members present voted aye.

Lazorski moved to appropriate \$7,243 for the **municipal insurance** premium. Satariano seconded the motion and all members present voted aye.

Council is trying to get answers concerning testing of the **tornado siren**, but have not been successful.

Satariano agreed to attend a meeting regarding the **Greene County Hazard Mitigation Plan** update.

Council received a request to provide restrooms and shelter for a **Volksmarch** in October. Plans will be made closer to the date.

There also is a request to use the school baseball field for a **baseball team**. Council approved.

Clerk-Treasurer Chasnov was designated to represent Council members for **Public Records Training**.

In Special Project Business:

The **Preservation Society of Clifton** will meet on March 12.

Lazorski has booked many performers for the **Festival**. Sponsors and advertisers are needed.

Plans were discussed for the April 19 **Easter Egg Hunt**. Volunteers will fill eggs before the April Council meeting on April 14 at 6:00 PM..

Plans for a **yard sale** (or one in the Spring and one at the Festival) were discussed.

The **Special Projects Committee** will meet on March 24 to discuss these projects.

As there was no further business, Lazorski moved to close the meeting. Satariano seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.