

MARCH 10, 2026

Schultzville, NY

The Clinton Town Board held the Regular Town Board meeting on this day in the Town Hall. Present were Supervisor Mike Whitton, Deputy Supervisor Eliot Werner, Councilman Charlie Dykas and Councilwomen Katherine Mustello and Marion Auspitz as well as Town Clerk Carol-Jean Mackin. There were approximately 5 people in the audience.

Supervisor Whitton called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

APPROVE MINUTES

MM Supervisor Whitton, 2nd Councilwoman Auspitz to approve the February 10, 2026 public hearing (Wetlands) minutes. All aye. Motion carried.

MM Supervisor Whitton, 2nd Councilwoman Mustello to approve the February 10, 2026 Meeting minutes. All aye. Motion carried.

MM Supervisor Whitton, 2nd Councilwoman Mustello to approve the March 5, 2026 Special Meeting minutes. All aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION: (Agenda Items only) None

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS

- Burn Ban: March 16 to May 14
- Masons offering CPR AED training on April 18th in the Town Hall, reservations required. The Town Supervisor has the full information if interested.
- Didi Barrett secured a grant for a radio upgrade for the Highway. Thanks to Didi to help keep residents' safety a top priority.

Deputy Supervisors Comments

- DC Commission on Human Rights sponsoring a 3-part series on human rights.

TOWN BOARD REPORTS: Posted on the web, townofclinton.com.

PLANNING BOARD, ZBA, CAC, CLIMATE SMART TASK FORCE, RECREATION, BUILDING INSPECTOR, ZONING ADMINISTRATOR, HIGHWAY, SCENIC AND HISTORIC ROADS, LIBRARY, ALTICE, ZONING REVISION, COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, CEMETERIES, OTHER (QUARTERLY: WIC, SAFETY)

Councilwoman Mustello –

CAC – meeting tomorrow night. Working on educational programs.

Planning Board – thanked the PB and ZBA members for their time and efforts. Read from report, posted online.

ZBA - read from the report, posted online.

Comprehensive Plan – Report tonight is given during the Old Business section of the meeting.

Councilman Dykas-

Recreation - read from the report, posted on line.

Hometown Heroes- applications being accepted for Round 4.

Cell phone service – nothing to report.

Councilwoman Auspitz –

Library - read from the report, posted on line.

Highway – read from the report, posted on line.

Maintenance – Stain color selected to paint decks.

Deputy Supervisor Werner –

Zoning Officer – read from report posted on line.

Building Inspector – read from the report posted on line.

CSC – working on details for the NYSERDA grant.

SHRAC – Reviewed applications before the Planning Board, looking at bringing back the Transfer Station and planning for Roadside Cleanup.

Cemetery – None

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discuss Comprehensive Plan – Mustello

The committee meets the first and third Wednesdays of the month in the Masonic Hall. The draft survey is complete and being reviewed by members.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 1. Discuss Proposed local law to regulate retail Cannabis dispensary in the TOC - Werner

In 2021 the Town allowed the existence of cannabis establishments and voted down smoking parlors. Its time to create a local law to regulate the establishments. Three neighboring towns allow cannabis establishments. The draft of the law is with the town attorney and will be reviewed by the interested parties in Town, including the Boards and the ZEO. The Town Board discussed the issue.

OTHER ITEMS

1. Approval of letter of support for CHS – Whitton

MM Supervisor Whitton, 2nd Councilperson Mustello to sign a letter of support for the Clinton Historical Society Grant Application to Senator Schumer. All aye except Deputy Supervisor Werner who abstained. Motion carried.

RESIGNATIONS:

MM Deputy Supervisor Werner, 2nd Councilwoman Auspitz to approve the separation of Nathaniel Chase from the temporary appointment of Justice Court Clerk for personal reasons effective March 6, 2026. All aye. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS:

MM Deputy Supervisor Werner, 2nd Councilwoman Dykas to approve the promotion of McKenna D'Attore as Justice Court Clerk from temporary to part time permanent, effective March 9, 2026 at a rate of pay of 24.95 per hour for up to 25 hours per week to replace Colleen McGarry, who previously retired. All aye. Motion carried.

MM Deputy Supervisor Werner, 2nd Councilwoman Mustello to approve the appointment of Bruce Brown as a member of the ZBA replacing Russ Tompkins with a term of office of February 10, 2026 to December 31, 2032. All aye. Motion carried.

MM Deputy Supervisor Werner, 2nd Councilwoman Mustello to approve the appointment of Richard Levin as a member of the Planning Board, filling the unexpired term of Justin Carroll, who resigned, for a term of office of March 10, 2026 December 31, 2028. All aye. Motion carried.

1. Approval of Warrants

MM Councilwoman Mustello, 2nd Councilman Werner to approve the following resolution BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board approves the:

March General Fund Warrant, vouchers numbered 84 through 14 totaling \$ 363,851.81

and the

March Highway Fund Warrant, vouchers numbered 49 through 85 totaling \$ 239,841.62

and the

March Capital Fund Warrant, numbered 1 totaling \$2362.50

All aye. Motion carried.

2. Motion to Move Funds – Whitton/Werner

Mm Deputy Supervisor Werner, 2nd Councilman Werner to approve the following resolution:
BE IT RESOLVED to approve **Resolution No. of 2026, a Motion to Move funds** at the March 10, 2026 Town board meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

3. Supervisor's Report - Whitton

The February 2026 Supervisor's Report will be approved when the Annual Financial Report is complete.

OTHER/ANNOUNCEMENTS

none

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

MM Supervisor Whitton, 2nd Councilwoman Mustello to open the floor to public discussion.
All aye. Motion carried.

Jim Metcalfe – Community Day meeting is March 19 at Creek Meeting House. Community Day is June 6.

Lynne Miceli – Regarding the Senior Exemption, noted the median household in Clinton is \$119,000 she feels not many would qualify for the exemption anyway if the Town Board approved it but they would be helping those who need the relief. If you are turned down for your exemption, the Assessor is required to notify you in writing. Asks TB to reconsider approving the Senior exemption. Has a petition with 45 signatures and hopes we don't include social security income in the taxable portion. Concerned the Assessor is not calculating the exemptions properly.

MM Supervisor Whitton, 2nd Councilman Werner to close public discussion and return to the regular order of business. All aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

MM Supervisor Whitton, 2nd Councilman Werner that the Town Board adjourns the meeting.
All aye. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned 7:07 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Carol-Jean Mackin,
Town Clerk