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Meeting Minutes of September 5, 2024

Chair Jamie Ganter called the September meeting of the Clayton Local Development Corporation to order at 4:00 p.m. Also in attendance were Vice Chair Bobby Cantwell, Secretary Christine Powers, Asst. Secretary Chris Bogenschutz, Treasurer John Cooper, Mike Bashaw, Doug Rogers, Jack Stopper, Norma Zimmer, Village Mayor Nancy Hyde, and Tim LaLonde. Town Supervisor Tim Doney was excused, and Mike Hazlewood was absent. Kristi Dippel, Executive Director was also in attendance.

On a motion by Tim LaLonde, second by Nancy Hyde, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the meeting of August 1, 2024, with no further discussion.

Chair Jamie Ganter discussed the following:

- The CLDC received a New York State Main Street Technical Assistance grant program for the Ringer Gallery Building in 2023. . This provides up to \$20,000 to support projects that enhance community and property owner readiness for future NYMS capital or renovation activities. This grant can cover up to 95% of the project cost. The building owner has reached out and indicated that due to circumstances beyond their control, they will not be able to participate in the grant. Their circumstances were discussed with the funding agency and the agency agreed to rescind the funding, with no negative impacts on the building owner or the CLDC.

Treasurer John Cooper presented the Treasurer's Report. A receivable in the amount of \$2,500 from the Town of Henderson was provided being the 1st invoice of 2 for grant writing services. One check in the amount of \$3,041.67, #1340, to the Clayton Improvement Association for ED hours for August and one check (#1341) to TI Printing/TI Sun for advertising the Stakeholders meeting were processed leaving a balance of \$22,619.68 in the General Account. With no activity in the Reserve Account, the balance remains at \$1,772.67.

Board member, Tim LaLonde inquired about the outstanding bill from Asterhill for \$900. Kristi Dippel will follow up.

On a motion by Christine Powers, second by Chris Bogenschutz, the Board unanimously approved the Treasurer's report and the payment of the bills, copies of which are attached to these minutes.

Under the Executive Director, Kristi Dippel's report, the following were discussed:

Stakeholders Event

Kristi reminded board members the meeting will be held on September 10, 2024, at the Clayton Opera House from 1:00 – 2:30. She has received a few calls and requests that members invite anyone to join. There will be one presenter from CBIT, in person, and one on a zoom call.



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Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan (LWRP)

Kristi met with Mayor Hyde to discuss forming a waterfront advisory committee for this project. New York State has not finalized our project request, but we are ready to move forward.

The Thousand Islands Inn is officially for sale. Several parties have contacted Kristi for more information, and she has provided what is publicly known about the property. The realtor is from the Syracuse area and has created a comprehensive revenue opportunity document.

Under Municipal Updates:

Planning Board - Doug Rogers updated the Board on the following agenda items for the next Planning Board meeting.

- The Antique Boat Museum will present additional information on constructing a new facility on the corner of Mary St. and Riverside Dr, which is currently vacant land.
- The Union St./Theresa St townhouses are pending further review but not on this meetings' agenda.
- Bayside Marina is proposing a storage shed for Kayak rentals.

Town of Clayton – No report.

Village of Clayton – Mayor Nancy Hyde updated the Board on the following topics:

- The summer was very busy with the new front docks heavily utilized and good business results.
- The municipal building will have a new roof installed.
- Oswego will be holding an event for a Marine/Divers Sanctuary
- New Zoning Officer for the village

Tim LaLonde inquired about the Pro-Housing Community designation and Nancy stated that the application has been submitted for this status. The Village is currently designated as Climate Friendly and both designations are important for grant approvals.

TICS District – Mike Bashaw provided the following:

- The first phase of the capital project is nearly completed, and it was a massive project.
- The Superintendent search is underway to replace Mike Bashaw, after his retirement.

The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on October 3, 2024. On a motion by Chris Bogenschutz, second by Mayor Hyde, the meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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