

**Village of Clifton Council Meeting**  
December 12, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Alex Bieri. Roll call was as follows:

Ken Hensley	present	Ruth Rohrbacher	present
Paula Lazorski	absent	A. Satariano, Jr.	absent
Rob Moses	present	Robbie Tate	present

The minutes from the November meeting were approved unanimously following a motion from Moses and second from Rohrbacher. The November Financial Report was accepted following a motion by Moses and second from Rohrbacher, and all members present voting aye. Payment of the bills, including an additional \$248 for lamp repairs, was approved unanimously following a motion by Tate, and second by Hensley.

**In Old Business:**

**In Village Repairs:**

The **Opera House fire escape door** repairs will be done over the break. The **faucets** in the restrooms will also be replaced. Moses moved to appropriate \$100 for this. Tate seconded the motion and all members present voted aye. Hensley brought images and an estimate to replace and add to the **signs** on the building. We will discuss this with the web designer to see if the font is usable on the website. Moses moved to appropriate \$390 for signs. Hensley seconded the motion and all members present voted aye. **Lighting** at the back of the building will be adjusted after the sign is installed there.

After the frigid temperatures have left, the roofers should begin the repairs to the **school roof**. They also will be asked to adjust the **gutter** at the Opera House.

The **gazebo roof** has been repaired thanks to volunteer work from Tad Petrosky.

An estimate will be obtained for repairs needed to the **fascia and soffits on the fire station**.

**In Other Old Business:**

Council will plan to remove the dead **tree** at the corner of SR72 and North River Road. Some additional **trimming** is needed at the intersection of Clinton and Clay Streets due to line-of-sight problems.

Satariano was not present to report on the status of the **grants and infrastructure improvements**.

Mayor Bieri reviewed the activity of the **Planning Commission**: The Commission is considering declaring the **Clagget and Laybourne** properties Nuisances. Following discussions with the parties involved, Mayor Bieri recommended giving them another month before formal actions are taken. Council agreed. The Commission also reviewed a proposed porch addition at 238 Tanyard Road. Hensley moved to approve the building permit. Tate seconded the motion and all members present voted aye.

Mayor Bieri discussed the status of the efforts to deal with the **Old Timers'** lease at the school. There have been discussions, but no resolution. Council expressed interest in buying out their contract, if that would settle the issue.

**In New Business:**

There was no new business.

**In Special Projects Business:**

The **Opera House** Financial Report for 2016 was reviewed and compared to last year. Both revenue and expenses were down leaving a higher net for the year. However, more than half of that is from the Baldwin endowment which runs only through 12/2021. Expenses are down mostly because we are not paying for advertisement. Free options are being used. Council agreed to pursue a promotion available through WYSO. Council discussed extending Brian Ehlers' contract for 2017. Hensley proposed that the current terms be extended for three months allowing Ehlers to book performers and prepare the building for the new season. After that time Council will consider further extensions of the agreement. Moses seconded this motion and all members present voted aye.

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