

## **Clifton Park Town Board Meeting Minutes**

**November 4, 2004**

A special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Clifton Park was held in the Town Office Building at 7:00 p.m. in order to hear comments on the 2005 Preliminary Budget, Supervisor Barrett presiding.

Present: Councilman Paolucci  
Councilman Speckhard  
Councilman Roth  
Councilwoman Walowit  
Supervisor Barrett  
Town Clerk O'Donnell

Also Present: Michael Shahan, Town Administrator

### **PUBLIC HEARING, 7:00 PM TO CONSIDER THE 2005 PRELIMINARY BUDGET**

The Town Clerk read the Notice of Public Hearing as it appeared in the Daily Gazette on October 28, 2004.

Town Administrator Shahan reviewed changes to the proposed 2005 budget: a grade change for Jason Kemper, Director of Planning from \$53,378 to \$54,920 and building inspector from \$56,386 to \$58,642.

Speaking with regard to a mower for the Transfer Station, Mr. Shahan reported Mr. Vedder, at the Budget Workshops, estimated \$7000-\$8000 to get the mower he received from the Buildings and Grounds Department back to good working condition. At that time it was recommended Mr. Vedder get quotes for contracting the work out which he did and received no bids. Mr. Vedder asked that the \$10,000 taken from the Transfer Station vehicle line be put back in since he will have to upgrade the existing mower. It was noted a new mower would run \$50,000 to \$60,000 and last approximately 15 plus years. Councilman Roth asked if the Board might want to consider a new mower as a supplemental item rather than spending \$8000 to \$10,000 for one or two years. Councilman Paolucci noted this is a specialized piece of equipment that should be shared between departments. It was decided to wait and look at the options for the best financial decision.

Mr. Shahan also noted that an adjustment may be needed to the Olde Nott Farm Sewer District budget with regard to the Edison Club.

Supervisor Barrett said the proposed budget has a small spending increase but almost totally eliminates the Highway Budget.

The public hearing was opened at 7:15 p.m.

Jim Baisley, Barkwood Drive, stated the Transfer Station is one of the best there is and the proper equipment is necessary. He feels the Buildings and Grounds Department has enough grass to cut without having to share equipment. Mr. Baisley spoke in favor of the proposed budget as well as the way the town operates its police protection

MOTION by Councilwoman Walowit, seconded by Councilman Speckhard, to adjourn the meeting to the next regular meeting or any other meeting necessary for the conduct of Town business.

Motion carried at 7:19 p.m.

Patricia O'Donnell  
Town Clerk