

May 20, 2019

The regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Clifton Park was held in the Town Office Building at 7:00 p.m. Supervisor Barrett presiding.

Present: Supervisor Barrett
Councilman Whalen
Councilwoman Standaert
Councilman Romano
Councilwoman Walowit
Town Clerk O'Donnell

Also Present: Town Attorney McCarthy
Mark Heggen, Comptroller
Daniel Clemens, Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds

MOTION BY Councilman Romano, seconded by Councilwoman Walowit, to approve the minutes of the May 6, 2019 meeting as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilwoman Standaert, Councilman Romano,
Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

Abstain: Councilman Whalen

MOTION CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Councilwoman Standaert thanked the Youth Court team and Community Board for their assistance this year in the successful Youth Court program.

Supervisor Barrett congratulated the Jonesville Fire Department on their 100th Anniversary and thanked them for their service to the community.

PRESENTATION TO SENIOR CENTER TAX PREPARERS

Supervisor Barrett thanked the Tax Preparer Volunteers for the work and presented the following resolution.

Resolution No. 136 of 2019, a resolution recognizing volunteers at the Clifton Park Senior Community Center with the AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Service.

Introduced by Supervisor Barrett, who moved its adoption, seconded by the entire Town Board.

WHEREAS, the AARP Foundation offered its free 2018 tax preparation service at the Clifton Park Senior Center, and

WHEREAS, membership at the Clifton Park Senior Center has increased from 620 to 1250 seniors since December 2016, and

WHEREAS, the group of IRS-certified volunteers completed over 325 tax returns for the community's senior citizens, and

WHEREAS, the volunteers are dedicated citizens who commit themselves to work with individual clients through established appointments to prepare and file Federal and New York State tax returns each year, and

WHEREAS, effective volunteer service is the lifeblood of the community and the Town Board wishes to recognize valuable community service among our residents and volunteers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board extends their gratitude and appreciation for the dedication and hard work of Ron Neu as Team Leader, and Vern Symes, Nancy Cavallaro, Steve Therrien, Jim Burnetter, Gurinder Garcha, Alan Kempf, Amithi Narendran and Robert Parsons.

Ron Neu, noting their work is sanctioned by the IRS, reported low and middle income seniors are invited to take part in this free program. He said the group is always looking for more people to help with their taxes. Mr. Neu also said they are always looking for volunteers, noting counselors are reviewed prior to getting certified as a counselor.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Whalen, Councilwoman Standaert, Councilman Romano, Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

PRESENTATION TO CLIFTON PARK/HALFMOON EMS

Supervisor Barret expressed appreciation to the EMS personnel for all they do for the community and said when honoring one we honor them all.

Resolution No. 137 of 2019, a resolution recognizing May 19-25, 2019 as EMS Week.

Introduced by Supervisor Barrett, who moved its adoption, seconded by the entire Town Board.

WHEREAS, in 1974, President Gerald Ford authorized EMS Week to celebrate EMS practitioners and the important work they do in our nation's communities, and

WHEREAS, May 19-25, 2019, has been designated as the 45th Annual National EMS Week, and

WHEREAS, Clifton Park Halfmoon Emergency Corps, Inc. was founded in 1950 by a group of volunteers from the Towns of Clifton Park and Halfmoon who recognized the need for an ambulance service in their communities, and

WHEREAS, in the 69 years since its founding, the Clifton Park Halfmoon Emergency Corps has continuously grown and evolved, and

WHEREAS, the Clifton Park Halfmoon Emergency Corps serves more than eighty square miles responding to almost 7,000 calls a year, and

WHEREAS, the Clifton Park Halfmoon Emergency Corps is now comprised of 87 members made up of paramedics, EMTs, volunteers, and administrative staff operating nine ambulances and two rapid response vehicles twenty-four hours a day, every day of the year, and

WHEREAS, as part of its vision, "Excellence in Service to All", the Clifton Park Halfmoon Emergency Corps maintains the highest standards of medical care, providing all levels of EMS care in any type of situation, treating patients both on-site and while in route to area hospitals, and

WHEREAS, the Clifton Park Halfmoon Emergency Corps is committed to successful community partnerships, maintaining a rigorous schedule of classes as a certified American Heart Association Training Center, working with local youth through monthly Babysitting Safety

classes, and collaborating with law enforcement, Albany Medical Center and area schools on a county-wide “Stop the Bleed” program; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Town Board does hereby declare May 19-25, 2019 to be EMS Week in the Town of Clifton Park; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby recognizes the Clifton Park Halfmoon Emergency Corps for their contributions in keeping Clifton Park a safe and healthy community.

Gina Wierzbowski, Clifton Park-Halfmoon EMS, thanked the Town Board for the recognition and reviewed various positions held in the department, as well as the extensive training required.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Whalen, Councilwoman Standaert, Councilman Romano, Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

PUBLIC HEARING, 7:05 (7:35) PM
TO CONSIDER A LOCAL LAW AMENDING ARTICLE I
CONVENIENCE TRANSFER STATION OR DUMPING GROUNDS
SECTION 97-3

The Town Clerk read the Notice of Public Hearing as published in The Daily Gazette on May 10, 2019.

Supervisor Barrett summarized the proposed local law explaining this would allow non-residents to use the Transfer Station and also would be eligible to bring yard waste.

The public hearing was opened for comments from the audience at 7:40 p.m.

Jim Baisley, Barkwood Drive, said he doesn’t believe any non-residents would use the Transfer Station as surrounding towns have Transfer Stations and the town doesn’t derive revenue from yard waste.

Everyone was given an opportunity to speak in favor of or against the proposed local law and no one else wished to be heard. Supervisor Barrett declared the public hearing closed at 7:48 pm.

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE ON RESOLUTIONS

No one wished to be heard.

Resolution No. 138 of 2019, a resolution authorizing the hiring of 2019 summer help for the Buildings and Grounds Department.

Introduced by Councilwoman Standaert, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilman Whalen.

WHEREAS, an opening exists for seasonal help in the Buildings and Grounds Department, and

WHEREAS, Daniel Clemens, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor, has recommended that Christopher John Jupin, 8 Four Leaf Manor, Rexford, be hired to fill the position; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Christopher Jupin be hired as a seasonal worker for the Buildings and Grounds Department for the summer of 2019, at \$12 per hour, effective immediately, to be budgeted from A7110-E4000 (Buildings & Grounds-PartTime Employee).

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Whalen, Councilwoman Standaert, Councilman Romano, Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 139 of 2019, a resolution hiring additional head lifeguards for the 2019 summer season for Locust Lane pool.

Introduced by Councilwoman Standaert, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilman Whalen.

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to hire head lifeguards to maintain a safe environment at the town pools, as well as assist in the management of those pools at Barney Road, Country Knolls and Locust Lane pools, and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor has recommended that the following individuals be hired as head lifeguards at the Locust Lane pool at the following rate:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Pool</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Megan Costello	Locust Lane	21 Ironwood Street, Clifton Park	\$11.20
Sarah Wettergreen	Locust Lane	60 Via Da Vinci, Clifton Park	\$11.45

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the above individuals shall be hired as head lifeguards for Locust Lane pool to be budgeted from A-7152-E4690 (Locust Lane Pool-Lifeguards) as of May 20, 2019, to be paid at the rate as stated.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Whalen, Councilwoman Standaert, Councilman Romano, Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 140 of 2019, a resolution authorizing the purchase of additional pool equipment.

Introduced by Councilman Whalen, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilwoman Walowit.

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 280 of 2018, the Town Board authorized the purchase of mechanical equipment for the Barney Road, Locust Lane and Country Knolls pools, and

WHEREAS, 2 pool pump motors delivered in response to the purchase order that was approved pursuant to Resolution No. 280 of 2018, proved to be incompatible with existing equipment, and

WHEREAS, additional pool pump motors and related equipment are required for consistent operation of the town pools for the 2019 season, and

WHEREAS, Clarden Swimming Pool Service has quoted pool pump motors and related equipment compatible with existing equipment at \$13,230.05; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to purchase pool equipment from Clarden Swimming Pool Service, per the attached work order, in an amount not to exceed \$13,230.05; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller is authorized to transfer funds from equipment lines for the town pools as follows:

A-7150-200 (Barney Rd. Pool)	\$4,410.02
A-7152-200 (Locust Ln. Pool)	\$4,410.01
SP5-7151-200 (Country Knolls Pool)	\$4,410.02

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Whalen, Councilwoman Standaert, Councilman Romano, Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 141 of 2019, a resolution adopting Local Law No. 6 of 2019, a local law amending Chapter 97-3 of the Town Code, Permit fees, for the Transfer Station.

Introduced by Councilman Whalen, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilwoman Standaert.

WHEREAS, the town Transfer Station has experienced a decline in usage among regular permit holders, and an increase in usage among senior citizens under discounted annual rates, resulting in a decline in revenues for the facility, and

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2019, the Town Board held a public hearing to receive comments regarding a proposal to open the facility to non-resident users on a limited basis depending upon use and capacity, and

WHEREAS, the fee schedule for the Transfer Station user permits are contained in Chapter 97-3 of the Town Code, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to amend Chapter 97-3 of the Town Code to provide a non-resident Transfer Station permit fee of \$150 in order to make the facility available to a wider group of users and to potentially increase revenues in order to offset rising costs of operation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board adopts Local Law No. 6 of 2019, a local law amending Chapter 97-3 of the Town Code, as amended, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Transfer Station Supervisor is directed to make up to 100 Transfer Station permits available for non-residents on an annual basis, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to adjust the annual limit for non-resident permits from time to time based upon available capacity, usage and revenue; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is directed to publish notice.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Whalen, Councilwoman Standaert, Councilman Romano,
Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE

No one wished to be heard.

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

Motion carried at 7:50 p.m.

Patricia O'Donnell
Town Clerk