

October 21, 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  
Deputy Town Clerk Brobston

Also Present: Town Attorney McCarthy  
Mark Heggen, Comptroller  
Michael O'Brien, Collection Systems Manager  
Clifton Park County Supervisor Jonathan Schopf

MOTION BY Councilman Romano, seconded by Councilwoman Walowit, to approve the minutes of October 7, 2019 meeting as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

MOTION CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Councilwoman Standaert, noting Youth Court training is underway, reviewed Youth Court activities.

Councilman Whalen thanked the Historic Preservation Commission for their diligence in reviewing and selecting homes to be put on the town's Register of Historic Homes. He noted owners of historic homes can also apply for the Historic Conservation Easement tax incentive.

RED RIBBON WEEK

Craig Masterson, Exalted Ruler of the Clifton Park Elks, and William Tierney distributed ribbons denoting Red Ribbon Week Campaign throughout the country, October 23 – 31, promoting drug free lifestyles. Mr. Tierney reviewed the origin and history of Red Ribbon Week.

Resolution No. 242 of 2019, a resolution proclaiming the week of October 23-31, 2019 as Red Ribbon Week in Clifton Park.

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

WHEREAS, alcohol and drug abuse in this nation have reached epidemic stages, and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that visible, unified prevention education efforts by community members be launched to eliminate the demand for drugs, and

WHEREAS, the National Red Ribbon Campaign offers citizens the opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to drug-free lifestyles, which means no use of illegal drugs, no illegal use of legal drugs, and

WHEREAS, the National Red Ribbon Campaign will be celebrated in every community in America during Red Ribbon Week, October 23-31, and

WHEREAS, business, government, parents, law enforcement, media, medical institutions, religious institutions, schools, senior citizens, service organizations, and youth will demonstrate their commitment to healthy, drug-free lifestyles by wearing and displaying red ribbons during this week-long campaign, and

WHEREAS, the community of Clifton Park further commits its resources to ensure the success of the Red Ribbon Campaign; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby proclaim October 23-31, as RED RIBBON WEEK, and encourages its citizens to participate in drug prevention education activities, not only during Red Ribbon Week, but all year long, making a visible statement that we are strongly committed to a drug-free town.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

COMMUNITY ACTION FUND AWARDS

Supervisor Barrett reported \$8400 was realized from the redeemable bottle deposits at the Transfer Station and at Clifton Park Bottle Redemption Center on Vischer Ferry Road. He thanked the members of the committee for reviewing applications and the Buildings and Grounds Department for the signage alerting residents to the fund, as well as the community for their donations. Senator Tedisco and Supervisor Barrett presented checks to the awardees. See attached list of awardees. Senator Tedisco thanked all involved in the program and presented a Certificate of Citation for work done in this program and for the community.

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE ON RESOLUTIONS

No one wished to be heard.

Resolution No. 243 of 2019, a resolution authorizing Change Order #1 to the contract with CDE Electric, Inc. for installation of a generator at the Gretel Terrace pump station.

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

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 59 of 2019, the Town Board awarded the contract to install a generator at the Gretel Terrace pump station in the Clifton Park Sewer District No. 1 to CDE Electric, Inc in the amount of \$54,200, and

WHEREAS, CDE Electric, Inc., PO Box #204, Cairo, NY, has performed the installation of the generator and submitted the certificate of substantial completion, and a request for final payment bringing the cost of the total project to \$50,847.95, and

WHEREAS, the Town Consulting Engineer, Prime AE, recommends approval of the change order which represents a contract price \$3,352.05 less than the original contract; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes Change Order #1 and the Certificate of Substantial Completion for the installation of the generator at the Gretel Terrace Pump Station; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller is authorized to release \$3,352.05 from the contract.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 244 of 2019, a resolution scheduling a public hearing to consider the 2020 Preliminary Budget.

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

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to obtain comment regarding the 2020 Preliminary Budget, and

WHEREAS, salaries of the town's elected officials as proposed are attached; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that a public hearing is hereby scheduled for Thursday, November 7, 2019 at 7:01 p.m. in the Wood Memorial Room, One Town Hall Plaza, Clifton Park, New York, to consider the 2020 Preliminary Budget; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk publish appropriate notice of same.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Supervisor Barrett thanked members of the Community Action Committee - Greg Szczesny, Janine Mica, Mike Grattan, Alicia Jacobs and Councilwoman Walowit for reviewing applications and noted they will be meeting to review any rule changes. The awards board will be located at the Transfer Station to show where donations have gone this year.

County Supervisor Jon Schopf, speaking with regard to the bottle redemption, said his research shows that New York State retains \$103 million in unrefunded bottles and cans which equates to 2 billion bottles and cans a year not redeemed. He further reported he has met with the representatives of the Gazette regarding the blue plastic bags containing "Your Clifton Park & Halfmoon" newspaper that have been thrown onto driveways throughout town and has been told the Gazette will phase out practice within 30 days. He thanked the Gazette for their cooperation. Supervisor Schopf reviewed various activities at the county.

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 8:14 p.m.

Patricia O'Donnell, Town Clerk