

September 14, 2020

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
Town Clerk Brobston

Absent: Councilwoman Walowit

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATION

Supervisor Barrett gave an update on the 2 county projects. The Main Street paving is estimated to be completed around 10/01/2020 and the Traffic Light Study will be completed and ready to bid Spring 2021.

Supervisor Barrett announced the retirement of 2 long-time employees. Sheryl Reed, Fire Marshall and Patrick Gibbons, Buildings & Grounds. He thanked them for their service and talents and wished them all the best in retirement.

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE ON RESOLUTIONS

No one wished to be heard.

Resolution No. 164 of 2020, a resolution proclaiming September 17 - 23, 2020 as Constitution Week in the Town of Clifton Park.

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

WHEREAS, September 17, 2020 marks the 233rd anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention, and

WHEREAS, the United States Constitution was the first document of its kind in the world and has paved the way for millions of people since that have sought democracy and freedom, and

WHEREAS, the Clifton Park Town Board proudly recognizes that this document has secured the blessings of liberty for many generations of Americans by instilling power in “We the People”, and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to officially recognize this magnificent document that is the supreme law of our nation and the anniversary of its creation, and

WHEREAS, Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States designating September 17 - 23 as Constitution Week; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board proclaims September 17 - 23, 2020 as Constitution Week in the Town of Clifton Park and encourages all residents to re-familiarize themselves with this powerful document and reaffirm the ideals of the framers of the Constitution.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilwoman Walowit

DECLARED ADOPTED

Supervisor Barrett thanked the Daughters of the American Revolution for their work in the community and bringing this resolution to the Town Board for recognition.

Resolution No. 165 of 2020, a resolution authorizing JK Playgrounds of Bristol, CT, to supply and install playground equipment at the George T. Smith Park in the Longkill II Park District.

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

WHEREAS, the Town Board, as Commissioners of the Longkill II Park District, wish to authorize improvements to the playground equipment at George T. Smith Park on Main Street, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Buildings and Grounds solicited quotes for replacing the merry-go-round spinner at the park, and

WHEREAS, JK Playgrounds, 145 Washington St, Bristol, CT, submitted the lowest responsive quote to supply and install the equipment in an amount not to exceed \$6,445, and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds in the park district’s assigned fund balance to complete the work as submitted; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that JK Playgrounds is authorized to supply and install a “Speedy Spinner” Model #67533 in George T. Smith Park, not to exceed \$6,445, to be paid with a transfer from SP6-915 (Assigned Fund Balance) to SP6-7124-200 (Longkill II – Equipment).

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilwoman Walowit

DECLARED ADOPTED

Daniel Clemens, Buildings & Grounds Supervisor, explained the equipment to be replaced is over 30 years old and cannot get parts for anymore. The company JK Playgrounds has done work in the town, specifically the playground repairs on the Clifton Common and has done a great job.

Resolution No. 166 of 2020, a resolution authorizing the Clifton Park Town Court to submit an application for a Justice Court Assistance Program grant.

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

WHEREAS, the Clifton Park Town Court wishes to acquire cement pillars, window tint, chairs, and computer back-up batteries, and

WHEREAS, the Justice Court Assistance Program was established by the Legislature to provide a means by which towns and villages may obtain limited state funding to improve operation of their Justice Courts, and

WHEREAS, the Honorable James F. Hughes and the Honorable Robert A. Rybak wish to apply for a grant for approximately \$4,879 from Justice Court Assistance Program to purchase the above-mentioned equipment to improve security and operations at Town Court; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board supports the efforts of the Honorable James F. Hughes and the Honorable Robert A. Rybak in applying for a grant totaling approximately \$4,879 from the Justice Court Assistance Program, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to execute all necessary documents in support of such efforts; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller is instructed that revenue shall be increased by \$4,789 in A-3089 (NYS Grant Revenue) and expenditures increased by \$4,789, with the expense of \$2,879 for cement pillars and window tinting to be paid from A-1621-24 (Public Safety Building – General Maintenance) and \$2,000 for chairs and computer backup batteries to be paid from A-1110-6-2000 (Court Office Supplies).

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilwoman Walowit

DECLARED ADOPTED

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE

Joseph Nial, Wall St., speaking for the Bentley Community, explained they are not opposed to a Druthers in Clifton Park. He stated the residents of the Bentley has sent in letters showing their concerns to the Planning Department. They are concerned about the siting not only directly adjacent but literally in their backyard. They would like to see the tree line stay and take a thoughtfully considered approach for the process.

Close of Public Privilege at 7:35PM.

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

Motion carried at 7:36 p.m.

Teresa Brobston
Town Clerk