

July 9, 2012

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.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

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

Absent: Councilman Hughes

Also Present: Town Attorney McCarthy  
Richard Kukuk, Superintendent of Highways  
Mark Heggen, Comptroller  
Michael Handerhan, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds  
Myla Kramer, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Affairs  
Barbara McHugh, Director of Community Development

MOTION BY Councilman Romano, seconded by Councilwoman Walowit, to approve the minutes of the June 11 and 18, 2012 meetings as presented.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Hughes

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilman Whalen reminded residents of the Chinese Cultural Gala Day planned for July 29<sup>th</sup> on the Clifton Common.

Supervisor Barrett thanked all involved with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration, as well as the International Soccer tournament.

The Supervisor announced the Not So Common Players production of "Oliver" to be presented the weekends of July 13<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. Town Clerk O'Donnell thanked Mike Handerhan and the Buildings and Grounds staff for their assistance with this production.

Supervisor Barrett reported the Clifton Park Water Authority is continuing water regulations of watering on odd and even days.

Alex Gutelius, Chairman of the Community Arts and Culture Commission announced that the winner of the Arts and Culture Logo Contest is Christie Coppola. It is hoped this new logo will bring awareness to the Commission.

Supervisor Barrett presented the following resolution to Eagle Scout Aaron Everett in recognition of his excellent achievements.

Resolution No. 171 of 2012, a resolution honoring Aaron Everitt for attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

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

WHEREAS, Aaron Everitt, 55 Van Vranken Road, Clifton Park, of Boy Scout Troop 30, has attained the rank of Eagle Scout, and

WHEREAS, for his Eagle Scout project, Aaron completed a restoration and beautification project at Amity Reformed Church cemetery, and

WHEREAS, Aaron coordinated the restoration of several tomb stones, carefully repairing cracked, leaning and falling stones, and

WHEREAS, Aaron Everitt also improved the overall landscaping and appearance of the cemetery, and

WHEREAS, Aaron's project required leadership, planning, determination and attention to detail, and

WHEREAS, Aaron's project was inspired as a tribute to his uncle who is buried at the cemetery; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Clifton Park Town Board recognizes and honors Aaron Everitt for attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Hughes

DECLARED ADOPTED

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE ON RESOLUTIONS

No one wished to be heard.

Resolution No. 172 of 2012, a resolution authorizing the hiring of summer help for the Clifton Knolls Park District.

Introduced by Councilman Romano, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilman Whalen.

WHEREAS, a need has been identified for summer help at the Clifton Knolls Park District to do light maintenance, and

WHEREAS, Michael Handerhan, Buildings & Grounds Supervisor, has recommended that Joshua Cornwell, 32 Rolling Brook Drive, Clifton Park and Kyle Hughes, 409 Vischer Ferry Road, Clifton Park, be hired to do light landscape work for the Clifton Knolls Park District; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board, acting as Commissioners of the Clifton Knolls Park District, hereby authorizes the hiring of Joshua Cornwell at \$8.00 per hour and Kyle Hughes at \$7.50 per hour, both hires to be paid from SP37131-E4000, (Clifton Knolls Park District-Maintenance) to do light landscaping work for the Clifton Knolls Park District, effective immediately.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Hughes

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 173 of 2012, a resolution appointing William Adams to the Emergency Services Advisory Board.

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

WHEREAS, due to the resignation of Cheryl Glick an opening exists on the Emergency Services Advisory Board for a representative from the Clifton Park and Halfmoon Emergency Corps, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Clifton Park and Halfmoon Emergency Corps have recommended that William Adams be appointed as a representative to the Emergency Services Advisory Board, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to appoint William Adams, 988 Main Street Clifton Park, as a representative from the Clifton Park and Halfmoon Emergency Corps to the Emergency Services Advisory Board; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that William Adams is hereby appointed as a member of the Emergency Services Advisory Board to fill the unexpired term of Cheryl Glick, term to expire December 31, 2012.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Hughes

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 174 of 2012, a resolution authorizing the hiring of specialized staff for the 2012 Autism program within the Summer Recreation Camp.

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

WHEREAS, the Town of Clifton Park will be hosting a summer camp at Collins Park for children who are diagnosed along the Autism spectrum, and

WHEREAS, Myla Kramer, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Affairs, has recommended that Steven Szalowski, Spectrum Life Strategies, Inc., 462 Maple Avenue, Suite B, Saratoga Springs, be hired as Autism Specialist and Thomas Szalowski, 60B Longwood Drive, Clifton Park, as a specialized counselor for the autism program; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the hiring of Steven Szalowski as Autism Specialist, to be paid \$42.00 an hour and Thomas Szalowski as a specialized counselor at \$10.00 an hour for the Autism Program at Collins Park, to be paid from (A-7320-E-4800) Autism Program, effective July 6th through July 27, 2012.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Hughes

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 175 of 2012, a resolution promoting Kimberly Willey to Head Lifeguard and Acting Manager at the Barney Road pool for the 2012 Season.

Introduced by Councilman Romano, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilman Whalen.

WHEREAS, a need exists for a Head Lifeguard/Acting Manager at the Barney Road pool for the 2012 season, and

WHEREAS, Myla Kramer, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Affairs, has recommended that Kimberly Willey, 20 Firestone Lane, Clifton Park, be promoted for such purpose; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the promotion of Kimberly Willey to Head Lifeguard at the Barney Road pool effective retroactively to July 1<sup>st</sup> through September 9, 2012, to be paid at Step 5, \$9.00 per hour as Head Lifeguard and with an Acting Manager rate of \$9.75 per hour, to be paid from A-7150-E4690. (Barney Road Pool-Lifeguards)

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Hughes

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 176 of 2012, a resolution allowing for the consumption of alcoholic beverages at a birthday celebration on July 14, 2012 at Collins Park.

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

WHEREAS, Janis Rink, 22 Crestwood Drive, Clifton Park, has requested a waiver of the town's "no alcohol" policy for the consumption of alcoholic beverages during a family gathering to celebrate a birthday on July 14, 2012 at Collins Park from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M., and

WHEREAS, it is the Town's policy to require the using group to monitor the consumption of alcohol, be responsible for the group's activities and to provide the town with appropriate evidence of insurance to indemnify the town; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that attendees at a birthday celebration are authorized to consume alcoholic beverages on July 14, 2012 at Collins Park from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. providing that they

provide the town with a certificate of insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000, naming the Town of Clifton Park as an insured, so as to indemnify the town for any incidents which may result with the waiver of the “no alcohol” policy for the event.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Hughes

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 177 of 2012, a resolution authorizing the hiring of a golf course attendant for the Barney Road Golf Course.

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

WHEREAS, an opening exists for a golf course attendant at the Barney Road Golf Course, and

WHEREAS, Myla Kramer, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Affairs, has recommended that Pauline Boehm, 861 Riverview Road, Rexford, be hired to fill the position; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby given to hire Pauline Boehm as a golf course attendant for the Barney Road Golf Course, to be paid \$8.50 per hour from A-7190-E4200 (Barney Road Golf Course-Assistants) effective immediately through November 18, 2012.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Hughes

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 178 of 2012, a resolution authorizing the submission of a State Consolidated Funding Grant for a Clifton Country Road “Green Street” Corridor Improvement Project.

Introduced by Councilman Romano, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilman Whalen.

WHEREAS, the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation has announced it is accepting applications for its 2012 Green Innovation Stormwater Management Grant Program, supporting local efforts with a funding opportunity requiring up to a 50-50 share through the New York State Consolidated Funding Application process, due on July 16, 2012, and

WHEREAS, the Town Center Plan Study completed and adopted in 2012 has identified the need for improving flood control and stormwater management in the Town Center area of Clifton Park, including south of New York State Route 146, and

WHEREAS, there has been stormwater flooding of Clifton Country Road in 2010 and 2011 following significant storm events, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Clifton Park's commercial and institutional focus of town development includes the area south of NYS Route 146 and along Clifton Country Road, and north of Clifton Park Center Road, and this area is continuing to grow in its economic importance, with the continued investments in this commercial area by private entities, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board supports the goals of the Green Innovation Stormwater Management Growth program, and determines that the Town Center area may benefit from the study opportunity provided by the program; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is authorized to submit a state grant for Clifton Country Road "Green Street" Corridor Improvement Project.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Hughes

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 179 of 2012, a resolution authorizing submission of State Consolidated Funding Grant Application for Ferry Drive Gateway Structural Improvements Project.

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

WHEREAS, the New York State Canal Corporation has announced it is accepting applications for its 2012 "Canalways Grant Program", supporting local efforts with funding opportunities up to a maximum of \$150,000, requiring a 50-50 share through the New York State Consolidated Funding Application process, due on July 16, 2012, and

WHEREAS, the Ferry Drive access to the Vischer Ferry Nature and Historic Preserve has recently seen increased visitor activity due to the historic Old Double Lock 19 Restoration Project, jointly undertaken by the Town of Clifton Park, Shenendehowa High School and the Chamber of Southern Saratoga County and its business partners, and

WHEREAS, Ferry Drive is a town owned roadway and the existing remnants of the old bridge abutment at the end of Ferry Drive are severely eroding, and have long served as an overlook, respite and fishing site on the Mohawk River, along the Erie Canalway as well as a primary access point to the six miles of Towpath Trail within the preserve, and

WHEREAS, the town has a federally funded Towpath Enhancement and Renovation Project underway to preserve and improve the Towpath Trail, ultimately connecting the Town of Clifton Park to the Town of Halfmoon along the historic Erie Canal Towpath, and

WHEREAS, the town has previously undertaken a Feasibility and Structural Assessment Study in the fall of 2011, conducted by Foit Albert Engineering Associates, and therefore has a clear understanding of the necessary construction requirements, and

WHEREAS, Ferry Drive readily can provide paved parking and a level ADA compliant access for persons visiting this national historic site, listed as a destination on the National Scenic Byway system as part of the Mohawk Towpath Scenic Byway and the Town Board desires to maintain this valued overlook and respite location, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Clifton Park is committed to improving recreational and historic opportunities to the community and its visitors and continue to utilize both public and

private investment to preserve special places, and to support recreational and tourism business opportunities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor of the Town of Clifton Park is authorized to submit a Canalways Grant Application through the Consolidated Funding Application process and commits to providing the required local cash match should the Ferry Drive Gateway Structural Improvements Project be funded.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Hughes

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 180 of 2012, a resolution authorizing the hiring of additional lifeguards per Schedule A, for the town-owned pools.

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

WHEREAS, Myla Kramer, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Affairs, has identified a need for additional lifeguards for the three town-owned pools; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Myla Kramer is hereby authorized to hire additional lifeguards per Schedule "A" to staff the three town-owned pools, effective July 10, 2012, through September 16, 2012, at a rate of \$7.75 per hour, to be paid from A-7150-4690 (Barney Road Pool-guards), A-7152-4690 (Locust Lane Pool-guards) and SP5-7151-4690 (Longkill No. 1 Park District/ Country Knolls Pool-guards).

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Councilman Hughes

DECLARED ADOPTED

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE

No one wished to be heard.

MOTION by Councilwoman Walowit, 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 7:42 p.m.

Patricia O'Donnell  
Town Clerk