

May 20, 2013

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 Hughes
Councilman Romano
Councilwoman Walowit
Supervisor Barrett
Town Clerk O'Donnell

Absent: Councilman Whalen

Also Present: Town Attorney McCarthy
Michael Handerman, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds
John Scavo, Director of Planning

MOTION BY Councilman Romano, seconded by Councilwoman Walowit, to approve the minutes of the May 6, 2013 meeting as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Hughes, Councilman Romano,
Councilman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Whalen

MOTION CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Supervisor Barrett thanked 3N Document Destruction for the very successful shredding day. He noted food donations totaling 1500 pounds were received in two hours and divided between the Jonesville and CAPTAIN Food Pantries. 3N Document Destruction also delivered the food to the pantries.

Supervisor Barrett reported resident, Jim Easton, brought an initiative from another state where the state provides a check-off on state tax returns to assist veterans. Supervisor Barrett has brought the idea to members of the legislature who will sponsor legislation to get a bill passed that will allow a check off on state tax returns to donate to veterans' causes.

Supervisor Barrett reported the Barney Road golf course revenues are up 12 percent from last year.

PRESENTATION

Supervisor Barrett presented Resolution No. 129 of 2013 honoring the memory of Joyce Savage to her husband Howard.

Resolution No. 129 of 2013, a resolution recognizing Joyce Savage for her many years of service to the residents of the Clifton Knolls/Mill Creek Park District.

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

WHEREAS, the town and community of Clifton Park lost a long time leader and civic volunteer when Joyce Savage passed away on March 19, 2013, and

WHEREAS, Joyce Savage was the Chairperson of the Clifton Knolls/Mill Creek Park District Committee for four years, from the fall of 1996 to the fall of 2000, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Savage was the point person for all the issues concerning the park district, from taking phone calls from a member of the committee or from residents reporting everything that occurred, from a truck hitting a tree, a boat on the pond or a beaver in the spillway, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Savage was a real details person, was the overseer of most of what was accomplished in the park district by checking on work to be done by the Town of Clifton Park Buildings and Grounds Department or by volunteers stepping up to make repairs within the park district, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Savage spent a tremendous amount of time and energy on her job involving untold hours spent making phone calls, staying in contact with twelve committee members and checking in with town officials to insure that all the park work was completed, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Savage was an incredibly dedicated individual, a charter member of the park committee and was never afraid to take on the difficult issues, she was a very knowledgeable person particularly about the laws and regulations and the historical perspective of the park committee and her memory was flawless regarding substantive actions of the advisory committee, and

WHEREAS, even when Mrs. Savage stepped down as Chairwoman of the park district, she remained as Vice-Chairwoman for her remaining thirteen years, and

WHEREAS, even after knee surgery and other very serious illnesses she continued to be an active member and a strong force on the committee right up until she passed away; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Clifton Park Town Board pauses in its deliberations to recognize Joyce Savage for her many years of dedicated service to the Clifton Knolls/Mill Creek Park District.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Whalen

DECLARED ADOPTED

Judy Hughes, Chairwoman of the Clifton Knolls/Mill Creek Park District Committee, spoke of Mrs. Savage's many accomplishments during her tenure on the Park District Committee, noting she has left an indelible impression. Ms. Hughes said information on plans to plant a tree at the Locust Lane playground in Mrs. Savage's memory will be forthcoming.

Howard Savage thanked the Town Board for recognizing Joyce's volunteerism. He said he fully realizes her work when he sees children playing in the parks.

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE ON RESOLUTIONS

No one wished to be heard.

Resolution No. 130 of 2013, a resolution appointing Arnold Hausler to the Town of Clifton Park Highway Safety Committee.

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

WHEREAS, an opening exists for a member to serve on the Town of Clifton Park Highway Safety Committee, and

WHEREAS, Arnold Hausler, 6 Holly Court, Ballston Lake, a transportation engineer and retired employee of the Federal Highway Administration has expressed an interest to serve on the Highway Safety Committee, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hausler's appointment to the Clifton Park Highway Safety Committee will confer a benefit to the residents of the town; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Arnold Hausler, Ballston Lake, is hereby appointed to the Clifton Park Highway Safety Committee for a two year term, term to expire December 31, 2014.

Supervisor Barrett, noting Jim Fitzgerald, founding member and co-chair, will be leaving the committee due to travelling, thanked him for his work in building the committee and getting it off the ground.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Whalen

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 131 of 2013, a resolution authorizing the hiring of summer staff for the Buildings and Grounds Department.

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

WHEREAS, an opening exists for a summer worker for the Buildings and Grounds Department, and

WHEREAS, Michael Handerhan, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor, has recommended that Michael Grimmer, 24 Damask Drive, Clifton Park, be hired to fill this position; now, therefore, be

RESOLVED, that Michael Grimmer, Clifton Park, be hired as part of the Buildings and Grounds Department 2013 summer staff, effective immediately, to be paid \$8 per hour from A7110-E4000 (Buildings & Grounds-summer help).

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Whalen

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 132 of 2013, a resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1 with Rainbow Sprinklers and Drainage for additional improvements to the Clifton Common Soccer Field Sprinkler System Improvements Project.

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

WHEREAS, a contract for the Clifton Common Soccer Field Sprinkler System Improvements Project was authorized in an amount of \$125,000, and

WHEREAS, per the attached Change Order No. 1 prepared by McDonald Engineering, additional work was required including the installation of a new variable frequency drive (VFD) and control system for the existing well pump that services the Clifton Common irrigation system at a cost of \$8,900, and

WHEREAS, there is \$4,394 remaining in the contract allowance of \$125,000 requiring a change order for the balance needed in the amount of \$4,506, and

WHEREAS, Change Order No. 1 results in an increase of \$8,900 for the Clifton Common Soccer Field Sprinkler System Improvement Project from the current contract amount of \$125,000 to arrive at a new contract amount of \$129,506; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign Change Order No. 1 dated May 2, 2013, to Rainbow Sprinklers and Drainage for the Clifton Common Soccer Field Sprinkler System Improvement Project; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Change Order No.1 in the amount of \$8,900 be paid in part with \$4,394 remaining in the contract allowance and the balance of \$4,506 from A-7112-200 (Clifton Common Equipment)

Councilman Romano recommended talking to NYSERDA as there might be grant money available.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Whalen

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 133 of 2013, a resolution authorizing the Town Supervisor to sign a memorandum of understanding between Hudson River Valley Greenway Communities Council and the Town of Clifton Park providing assistance to the town for the Ferry Drive Gateway Sign Design.

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

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 99 of 2008, the Town Board endorsed the designation of the Town of Clifton Park as a Hudson River Greenway Community and was accepted into the Greenway Community planning process in June 2008 by the Hudson River Greenway Communities Council, and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 225 of 2012, the Town Board authorized the submission of an application to the Hudson River Valley Greenway for a grant under the Greenway

Communities Grant Program for the project entitled, "Ferry Drive Gateway Site Design" to be located in the Town of Clifton Park, and,

WHEREAS, in October of 2012, the Town of Clifton Park was awarded the sum of \$5,000 for the "Ferry Drive Gateway Site Design"; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that authorization is given to the Town Supervisor to sign a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Hudson River Valley Greenway Communities Council for a Greenway Community Planning Grant for the "Ferry Drive Gateway Site Design", with matching grant allocations of \$1,500 in cash from A-7114-200 (Parks-Capital Improvement), and \$3,000 for in-kind services, for a total of \$4,500, the town's grant match, term of the memorandum of understanding is from October 17, 2012, until two years from the date of the execution of the document. .

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Whalen

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 134 of 2013, a resolution hiring a water safety instructor for the 2013 season.

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

WHEREAS, it is necessary to hire a water safety instructor for Locust Lane pool, and

WHEREAS, Myla Kramer, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Affairs, has recommended that Courtney Altenburger, 16 Muirfield Lane, Clifton Park, be hired to fill the position; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby given to hire Courtney Altenburger, Clifton Park, as a water safety instructor at the Locust Lane pool, effective immediately through August 2, 2013, to be paid \$9.10 per hour, from A-7310-E4575 (Summer Rec.-Swim Instructors).

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Whalen

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 135 of 2013, a resolution authorizing changes in the pay rate for summer recreation staff.

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

WHEREAS, Kimberly Willey, 20 Firestone Lane, Clifton Park, was previously hired as a returning head lifeguard for the Barney Road pool, and

WHEREAS, Kimberly Willey is unable to make a full summer commitment and will be working part of the summer as a lifeguard but will not be able to make a commitment to work as head guard, and

WHEREAS, Jordan Wallace, 55 Jamison Drive, Clifton Park, was previously hired as a returning camp counselor for the Okte Half-Day Camp at a pay rate of \$7.50 per hour; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to correct Jordan Wallace's pay rate to \$7.75 per hour per the salary matrix; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Kimberly Willey's pay rate is hereby adjusted from \$9.25 to \$9.00 to reflect the supervisory position change, effective immediately through October 31, 2013, to be paid from A-7150-E4690 (Barney Road Pool-Lifeguards), and be it further

RESOLVED, that Jordan Wallace's pay rate is hereby adjusted from \$7.50 per hour to \$7.75 per hour per salary matrix to be paid from A-7310-E4580 (Summer Rec Staff-Okte), effective immediately through August 16, 2013.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Whalen

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 136 of 2013, a resolution hiring additional staff for the Clifton Park Action Park.

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

WHEREAS, due to the resignation of an attendant at the Clifton Park Action Park and the limited work schedule of another attendant, it is necessary to hire two attendants to work at the action park, and

WHEREAS, Myla Kramer, Director of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Community Affairs, has recommended that Dakota Rice, 21 Juniper Drive, Clifton Park, a 2010 employee of the action park be rehired as an attendant at the Clifton Park Action Park, and

WHEREAS, that Aaron Goodman, 25B Miller Road, Ballston Lake, be hired as an attendant at the action park; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby given to rehire Dakota Rice at Step 3, \$9.00 per hour and to also hire Aaron Goldman at Step 1, \$8.50 per hour, to be paid from A-7200-E4000 (Parks-Action Park part-time employee), effective immediately through October 31, 2013.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Whalen

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 137 of 2013, a resolution creating a capital projects budget for the Ballston Lake Water District.

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

WHEREAS, the Town of Clifton Park has established a special district for the operation of the Ballston Lake Water District, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to adopt a capital projects budget to establish parameters for capital expenditures for the Ballston Lake Water District, and

WHEREAS, bond Resolution No. 86 of 2013 authorized improvements to water distribution facilities benefitting the Ballston Lake Water District and authorizing the issuance of \$596,000 serial bonds to pay the cost thereof; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Capital Projects Budget for the Ballston Lake Water District as set forth in Exhibit A to this resolution, is hereby adopted.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Whalen

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 138 of 2013, a resolution authorizing the Town Supervisor to sign a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention Council for increased park and trail patrols for 2013.

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

WHEREAS, the Town of Clifton Park wishes to sign a memorandum of understanding with the Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention Council for increased park and trail patrols, and

WHEREAS, the agreement would be in effect from May 1, 2013 to October 31, 2013 and during this time frame funding would be provided for up to 16 hours per week and up to eight hours for each of four holidays for increased patrols in the parks, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Clifton Park and its employees shall be responsible to carry out the hours of patrol; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is authorized to sign a memorandum of understanding with the Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention Council for increased park and trail patrols from May 1, 2013 through October 31, 2013.

Jen Wood of the Alcohol and Substance Abuse Council and Shenendehowa Coalition spoke of the problem with underage drinking and the underage drinking grant. Supervisor Barrett said this will allow an increase of patrols in the summer in the parks and public areas.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Whalen

DECLARED ADOPTED

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE

Jim Baisley, Barkwood Drive, reminded all to remember the veterans on Memorial Day. He recommended that the street sign "John McKenna Way" be changed to "Captain John McKenna Way".

MOTION by Councilwoman Walowit, seconded by Councilman Hughes, to 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