

June 3, 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 Whalen
Councilman Hughes
Councilman Romano
Councilwoman Walowit
Supervisor Barrett
Town Clerk O'Donnell

Also Present: Town Attorney McCarthy
Mark Heggen, Comptroller
Myla Kramer, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Affairs

MOTION BY Councilman Romano, seconded by Councilwoman Walowit to approve the minutes of the May 13 and 20, 2013 meeting as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

MOTION CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Supervisor Barrett reported it has been determined that a tornado touched down in town on May 29th resulting in a tremendous amount of damage – trees and power lines down, flooding, sink holes. He thanked National Grid, town crews and 1st responders for all their assistance. Supervisor Barrett said he alerted residents south of Route 146, through Reverse 911, that storm debris will be picked up starting June 3rd.

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE ON RESOLUTIONS

No one wished to be heard.

Resolution No. 139 of 2013, a resolution authorizing the hiring of summer staff for the Buildings and Grounds Department.

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

WHEREAS, Michael Handerhan, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds, has identified a need for additional summer staff for the Buildings and Grounds Department, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Handerhan has recommended that Tyler Clifford, 26 Damask Drive, and Brendan Wall, 23 Heather Drive, Clifton Park be hired to fill the positions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Tyler Clifford and Brendan Wall be hired as summer staff for the Buildings and Grounds Department, effective immediately, to be paid \$8.00 per hour from A7110-E4000 (Buildings & Grounds-part time labor).

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 140 of 2013, a resolution establishing the summer schedule for Town Board Meetings.

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

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to set the summer meeting schedule at two meetings per month consistent with past practice; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby establishes the following summer schedule for July and August 2013:

Monday	July 1, 2013
Monday	July 15, 2013
Monday	August 5, 2013
Monday	August 19, 2013

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 141 of 2013, a resolution honoring Nathan David Laing for attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

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

WHEREAS, Nathan David Laing, 22 Huntington Parkway, Ballston Lake, of Boy Scout Troop 246, has attained the rank of Eagle Scout, and

WHEREAS, for his Eagle Scout Project, Nathan led a group of community volunteers in the construction of a one-mile walking/hiking trail at Garnsey Park in Rexford, and

WHEREAS, Nathan’s project also included trail markers featuring information regarding local plant and animal life and a display educating visitors on the history of the Garnsey family, and

WHEREAS, numerous residents enjoy Garnsey Park on a regular basis and Nathan’s project will benefit all who visit the park to enjoy one of Clifton Park’s richest natural areas; now, therefore, be it

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

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 142 of 2013, a resolution authorizing the hiring of new head lifeguards for the Barney Road pool and the Locust Lane pool for the 2013 summer season, per Schedule "A".

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

WHEREAS, it is necessary that additional head lifeguards be hired by the Office of Parks, Recreation and Community Affairs for the 2013 season, and

WHEREAS, Myla Kramer, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Affairs has recommended that the individuals listed in Schedule "A", be hired for such purpose; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the individuals listed in Schedule "A", attached hereto, shall be hired as head lifeguards for the 2013 season, effective retroactive to May 27, 2013 through October 31, 2013; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the new head lifeguards be paid as indicated on Schedule "A".

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 143 of 2013, a resolution awarding the contract for fireworks, for the Town of Clifton Park's Fourth of July celebration to Alonzo Fireworks and authorizing the Supervisor to sign the agreement for same.

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

WHEREAS, bids were solicited for the annual Fourth of July Fireworks display, and

WHEREAS, Alonzo Fireworks, 12 County Road 75, Mechanicville, New York was the sole bidder, in an amount of \$14,000, for a twenty-five minute musically choreographed pyrotechnic display, and

WHEREAS, Myla Kramer, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Affairs has recommended that due to the superior qualifications and previous experience that the bid of Alonzo Fireworks in the amount of \$14,000 be accepted; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the bid for the Fourth of July Fireworks display be awarded to Alonzo Fireworks, Mechanicville, New York at a cost not to exceed \$14,000 as budgeted from (A-7550-052 Festivals/Performing Arts-July 4th); and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign an agreement reflecting the above terms, subject to review and approval by the Town Attorney of the agreement.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 144 of 2013, a resolution in connection with a block party to be held in the Stonegate-Windsor Point subdivision on June 15, 2013.

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

WHEREAS, the residents of the Stonegate-Windsor Point subdivision wish to conduct a block party on Saturday, June 15, 2013, between the hours of 2:00 pm and 8:00 pm and have requested permission to use a portion of Birch Hill Court for their party activities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the residents with the approval and advice of the Town Highway Superintendent, have permission to use a portion of Birch Hill Court on June 15, 2013 from 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm for their party activities, but must not block off the roadway and make sure emergency vehicles can gain access to the street if needed, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the residents shall be responsible for all clean-up activities on Town property or on the street right-of-way resulting from the social activity; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the applicable Fire Department, the Ambulance Corps., the Sheriff's Department and the State Police.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 145 of 2013, a resolution in connection with a block party to be held in the Fairway Woods Subdivision.

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

WHEREAS, the residents of Fairway Woods wish to conduct a block party within the subdivision on Saturday, July 20, 2013, between the hours of 4:00 pm and 10:00 pm and have requested permission to use Fairleigh Way for their party activities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the residents with the approval and advice of the Town Highway Superintendent, have permission to use Fairleigh Way from Trethorne to Tipperary, July 20, 2013 from 4:00 pm to 10:00 pm for their party activities, but must not block off the street and make sure emergency vehicles can gain access to the street if needed, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the residents shall be responsible for all clean-up activities on Town property or on the street right-of-way resulting from the social activity; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the applicable Fire Department, the Ambulance Corps., the Sheriff's Department and the State Police.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Councilman Hughes announced that due to business commitments, it will be necessary for him and his family to relocate to Denver, Colorado. His resignation becomes effective on June 30, 2013. Councilman Hughes has served on the Zoning and Planning Boards, as well as over six years on the Town Board, noting it has been rewarding and gratifying to interact with citizens. He praised the quality of life in Clifton Park, noting it is a wonderful place to raise a family. Councilman Hughes reviewed factors that marked his tenure, noting the Town Board always looked at the bottom line, a balanced budget, debt free, no town tax and a healthy surplus, and reviewed the many free offerings to the community. He mentioned the tax rebate of \$2.5 million, resulting in each household receiving \$150. Also during his tenure there is live streaming of the Town Board meetings, the Ethics Law has been updated, which has become a model for other towns. He expressed appreciation to Bill Pomeroy, Ethics Board Chair, and Town Attorney McCarthy for their work on the updated Ethics Code. Councilman Hughes further noted the addition of open space, parks and trails.

Supervisor Barrett thanked Councilman Hughes for his dedicated service to the community, noting he has been a constant positive force in the success of Clifton Park and the Town Board. and will miss their partnership.

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE

Mike Dudick, Addison Way, thanked Councilman Hughes for his service, noting he values the time he spent on the Zoning Board.

Ron Streeter, Glenwood Drive, invited all to the 10th Annual Relay for Life on Friday, June 7 at 7:00 p.m. at the Shenendehowa High School track.

Annie Friedman, Leonardo Drive, distributed photos of Leonardo Drive showing a sink hole, cracked road, and pavement erosion. Though a cone was put by the sink hole, the Highway Department has since put a barricade around it. Supervisor Barrett responded he will follow up with the Highway Department.

Jim Baisley, Barkwood Lane, thanked Councilman Hughes for his service, stating he has always presented himself as professional and a gentleman and has always done his "homework".

Dave White, Hearthside Drive, said he is sorry to see Councilman Hughes leave and thanked him for his service over the years. He thanked the town for their prompt attention to the sewer break/water line break and praised the staff and work being done to repair the situation. Supervisor Barrett said this has been a challenging issue and will be a lengthy project.

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 7:55 p.m.

Patricia O'Donnell
Town Clerk