

TOWN OF CLIFTON PARK TOWN BOARD

April 12, 2021

The 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
Councilwoman Flood
Councilwoman Standaert
Councilman Morelli
Councilwoman Walowit
Town Clerk Brobston

Also Present: Town Attorney McCarthy
Mark Heggen, Comptroller
Dahn Bull, Highways Superintendent
Walter Smead, Assessor
Steven Myers, Director of Building & Zoning

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATION

Supervisor Barrett reminded residents of the 2nd vaccine clinic to be held on April 13 at the Clifton Park Senior Community Center. Sign-up through cliftonpark.org.

Councilwoman Standaert announced the Parks & Recreation Department will be opening registrations for half-day and full-day summer camp on Thursday, April 16 at 6am. Contact the Parks & Recreation Department for questions.

Councilwoman Standaert reminded residents of the annual Clean Sweep, presented by the G.R.E.E.N. Committee, that will take place on April 24, 9-Noon. Sign-up to help clean-up town roadways, trails, parks and preserves by emailing cleansweep.cliftonpark.org. A tree-planting ceremony, to be held at 11am on the Clifton Common, will take place on the same day to celebrate Arbor Day.

RESOLUTIONS

No one wished to be heard.

Resolution No. 91 of 2021, a resolution authorizing the sale of equipment declared surplus by the Town Board and authorizing departments to sell the surplus equipment at public auction.

Introduced by Councilwoman Standaert, who moved its adoption, seconded Councilwoman Flood.

WHEREAS, Department Heads have identified vehicles/equipment, per the attached Schedule A, as surplus property, and

WHEREAS, based upon the recommendations of Highways Superintendent Dahn Bull and Director of Building & Zoning Steve Myers, the Town Board declares the items on the attached list as surplus; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Highway Department and the Building & Development Department to sell the surplus equipment, as is, through an upcoming online public auction.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilwoman Flood, Councilwoman Standaert, Councilman Morelli,
Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 92 of 2021, a resolution renewing existing term easements pursuant to Section 125-10 C, Conservation Easement Renewals, of the Town Code.

Introduced by Councilwoman Flood, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilman Morelli.

WHEREAS, the town initiated a Term Conservation Easement Program in 1996, with term easements issued with a minimum 15-year term thereafter, and

WHEREAS, the first term conservation easements issued pursuant to Town Code Chapter 125, expired in 2011, and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 100 of 2020, the Town Board adopted Local Law No. 5 of 2020, eliminating the requirement for a public hearing on renewal applications of existing term conservation easements, and

WHEREAS, six applications were received from individual holders of existing conservation easements expiring in 2021 to renew the existing conservation easement, and

WHEREAS, the individuals and parcels listed on the attached Schedule A, have applied for renewal of term conservation easements for properties and terms as listed, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 125-10 (C) the Town Board wishes to renew all applications for renewal of term conservation easements as listed on Schedule A; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the expiring renewal applications submitted to the Assessor, as shown on Schedule A, are hereby renewed.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilwoman Flood, Councilwoman Standaert, Councilman Morelli,
Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Town Assessor Walter Smead stated 13 renewal easements were sent out and got back renewal applications for 6. 7 have withdrawn from the program. Assessor Smead explained the town lost a partial acreage on Hubbs Road due to a solar farm. The owners pay-back will be \$63,000.

Resolution No. 93 of 2021, a resolution authorizing the use of the Clifton Common or town parks for outdoor use by businesses impacted by governmental restrictions on operations or capacity.

Introduced by Councilman Morelli, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilwoman Flood.

WHEREAS, Clifton Park businesses continue to be negatively impacted by restrictions imposed by the State of New York or the Governor, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to encourage appropriate businesses and fitness groups offering fitness and related classes to use available outdoor spaces to the maximum extent possible, without conflict with existing uses; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Parks, Recreation, and Community Affairs is authorized to accept a Special Outdoor Facility Permit Application for the use of the Clifton Common and relevant parks within the town, for use by fitness, aerobics, yoga and similar activities without charge to such businesses whose operations and ability to function has been restricted or curtailed by state orders and directives during the current pandemic, through December 31, 2021; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the fee for such permit applications is waived through December 31, 2021.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilwoman Flood, Councilwoman Standaert, Councilman Morelli,
Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Supervisor Barrett explained requests have been received for this policy. The policy was very effective last year and anticipate the same for this year.

Councilman Morelli agrees this policy is a good opportunity to continue to support small businesses.

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE

No one wished to be heard.

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

Motion carried at 7:15 PM

Teresa Brobston
Town Clerk