

TOWN OF CLIFTON PARK TOWN BOARD

January 18, 2022

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
Matt Andrus, Information Specialist
Daniel Clemens, Director of Buildings, Parks & Recreation
Dahn Bull, Highways Superintendent

MINUTES APPROVAL

MOTION by Councilwoman Walowit, seconded by Councilman Morelli, to approve the minutes of January 3, 2022, and Organizational meetings as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

MOTION CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATION

Supervisor Barrett reminded residents/organizations of non-profit's an application for the ARPA grant funds are available on the clifonpark.org website. Saratoga County will also be offering the ARPA grant funds, with their application on the saratogacountyny.gov website very soon. This is a wonderful way to support the non-profit organizations who have been negatively affected by the pandemic.

Councilwoman Standaert announced the Town of Clifton Park Youth Court is resuming, after a year off because of the pandemic, training sessions tomorrow, January 19 at the Public Safety Building starting at 7PM. Zoom is an option for anyone who cannot personally attend. The training schedule will be on the town website and the Youth Court Facebook page.

RESOLUTIONS

No one wished to be heard.

Resolution No. 22 of 2022, a resolution authorizing the Supervisor to sign a grant contract for a project to construct a sidewalk to provide pedestrian access on the north side of State Route 146 to connect the Tallow Wood neighborhood with the Town Center.

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

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 202 of 2017, the Town Board authorized the Planning Department to begin a grant application process to seek funding assistance for a sidewalk project on the northern side of Route 146 in the Town Center area, and

WHEREAS, the Town has been advised that the project has been awarded grant funding under the NYS DEC Climate Smart Communities Program, in the amount of \$220,000, and

WHEREAS, the project will require a 50% local match, as well as first instance funding by the Town in the amount of \$440,000, and

WHEREAS, the project will provide pedestrian access to the Town Center area from the Northcrest, Robinwood, and Tallow Wood neighborhoods, as well as connections to existing multi-use trail networks within the Town, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board supports the project and wishes to commit to local funding in order to proceed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to sign the attached master grant contract for the Clifton Park Route 146 Sidewalk Project; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board commits to funding in the first instance of up to \$440,000 to plan, design and construct the project, as well as the local match commitment of \$220,000.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 23 of 2022, a resolution authorizing the Supervisor to sign a grant contract for a project to construct a multi-use path along Hubbs Road.

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

WHEREAS, the Town has been awarded grant funding for a multi-use trail along the south side of Hubbs Road, to connect the Dutch Meadows and Country Knolls neighborhoods with Jonesville, including pedestrian access and high visibility crossing signs under the NYS DEC Climate Smart Communities Program, in the amount of \$278,271, and

WHEREAS, the project will require a 50% local match, as well as first instance funding by the Town in the amount of \$556,542, and

WHEREAS, the project will provide pedestrian access to the hamlet of Jonesville from Dutch Meadows and Country Knolls neighborhoods, as well as pedestrian and non-motorized access to Hatlee, Main Street and MacElroy Roads, and connections to existing multi-use trail networks within the Town, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board supports the project and wishes to commit to local funding in order to proceed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to sign the attached master grant contract for the Hubbs Road Multi-use path; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board commits to funding in the first instance of up to \$556,542, to plan, design and construct the project, as well as the local match commitment of \$278,271.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 24 of 2022, a resolution appointing a new member to the Emergency Services Advisory Board.

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

WHEREAS, an opening exists for a representative from the Clifton Park & Halfmoon Emergency Corps, Inc. to the Emergency Services Advisory Board, and

WHEREAS, the Clifton Park & Halfmoon Emergency Corps, Inc. recommends Mark Freiberger, 4 Battery Blvd., Mechanicville, NY, to fill the position of Member Patrick Bornt representing the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Ambulance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Mark Freiberger, is hereby appointed as representative from the Clifton Park & Halfmoon Emergency Corps, Inc. to the Emergency Services Advisory Board, for a 3-year term to expire December 31, 2024.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 25 of 2022, a resolution appointing Michael Woerner as an MEO light in the Department of Buildings and Grounds.

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

WHEREAS, an opening exists for an MEO light position within the Department of Buildings and Grounds, and

WHEREAS, the position is unclassified, and

WHEREAS, Daniel Clemens, Director of Buildings, Parks & Recreation, and has interviewed Michael Woerner, and has asked for authorization to retain Mr. Woerner as an MEO Light, to fill the position, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Woerner has the background, education, training and experience necessary for the position; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Michael Woerner, 33 Pinehurst Drive, Clifton Park, N.Y., is hereby appointed as MEO Light, to be compensated at a Grade 4, Step 1, (\$22.11/hr.); and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller is authorized to transfer \$41,246 from A-07110-3000 (Buildings & Grounds – Laborer), and to transfer \$2,454 from A-08160-00074 (General Fund – Transfer Station – Overtime) to A-08160-Exxxx (General Fund – Transfer Station – Employee) to fund the position.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 26 of 2022, a resolution authorizing the promotion of Jacob Palmateer and Tod Kirchofer, currently employed in the Department of Buildings and Grounds.

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

WHEREAS, Director of Buildings, Parks, and Recreation Daniel Clemens, has recommended that Jacob Palmateer, employed as a Laborer in the Buildings and Grounds Department for two years, be promoted from Laborer at Grade 3, Step 2, to Motor Equipment Operator Light, Grade 4 Step 1, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Clemens also recommends the advancement of Todd Kirchofer, who has been employed since 2002, from Motor Equipment Operator at Grade 5, Step 7, to Senior Motor Equipment Operator, Grade 6, Step 6, at the Convenience Transfer Station; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Jacob Palmateer is hereby promoted to Motor Equipment Operator Light to Grade 4, Step 1, (\$22.11/hr.) effective immediately, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Todd Kirchofer, is hereby promoted to Sr. Motor Equipment Operator to Grade 6, Step 6, (\$30.48/hr.) effective immediately, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller is authorized to transfer \$4,127 from A-07110-00074 (General Fund – Buildings & Grounds – Overtime) to A-07110-E0959 (General Fund – Buildings & Grounds – J. Palmateer); and be it further

RESOLVED that the Comptroller is authorized to transfer \$3,108 from A-08160-00074 (General Fund – Transfer Station – Overtime) to A-08160-E0058 (General Fund – Transfer Station – T. Kirchofer)

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 27 of 2022, a resolution authorizing Anil Bisht to serve alcoholic beverages at a gathering to be held at Clifton Park Senior Community Center on March 19, 2022.

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

WHEREAS, Anil Bisht, 613 Clifton Park Center Road, Clifton Park, is hosting a gathering on March 19, 2022, from 6:00 P.M to 11:00 P.M., and

WHEREAS, Anil Bisht has requested permission to serve alcohol in the form of beer and wine at the event; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Anil Bisht is hereby authorized to serve beer and wine at a gathering at the Clifton Park Senior Community Center on March 19, 2022, from 6:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 28 of 2022, a resolution authorizing the Highways Superintendent to sign an agreement with Spectrum Environmental Associates, Inc. for asbestos inspection services relative to the demolition of the “White Building”.

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

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 20 of 2022, the Town Board found that it is not economic to repair the fire damaged White Building, and that it is in the best interest of the Town to demolish and replace it, and

WHEREAS, the Town wishes to determine if there is any asbestos in the structure prior to its demolition, and

WHEREAS, Highways Superintendent Dahn Bull has received a quote for an amount not to exceed \$1,790 for asbestos inspection services from Spectrum Environmental Associates, Inc., pursuant to its Albany County Contract No. 6490 of 2021, and

WHEREAS, Town Procurement Policy No. 9 allows “piggyback” contracts pursuant to GML 103(3); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller is authorized to create a new Capital Projects Fund H62 (White Building Reconstruction Project); and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Superintendent of Highways Dahn Bull, to accept a quote for asbestos inspection services of the White Building from Spectrum Environmental Associates, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$1,790, to be paid from H62-05132-00015 (Capital Projects White Building – Garage – Other Contractual).

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE

Town Clerk Brobston read an email received from Anton Salecker, Crestmont Dr., who is in support of the sidewalk project on Route 146.

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 7:24PM.

Teresa Brobston
Town Clerk