



# Town of Clifton Park

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## FIVE TOWN PROPERTIES PLACED ON STATE REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

Town Councilman Scott Hughes and the Historic Preservation Commission have announced that five properties in Clifton Park have been placed on the state Register of Historic Places. Those properties will also be considered for placement on the national register.

“Clifton Park is home to a diverse group of historic structures,” said Hughes, the Town Board liaison to the Historic Preservation Commission. “These five properties are a great example of the town’s history and I’m happy to support their nomination to the national register of historic places.”

The registers are the official lists of properties that are significant in history, architecture, engineering, landscape design, archeology and culture within local, state or national contexts. The five properties that were placed on the state register and nominated for the national register include:

- **Abraham Best House, 113 Vischer Ferry Road**  
Built in 1815, the home is an outstanding example of Federal architecture. The house retains all original carved woodwork and fireplace mantels and includes a Palladian window over the front door.
- **Cyrus Rexford House, 1643 Route 146**  
An excellent example of Stick Style Victorian architecture, the home was built in 1883. Rexford owned and operated the Rexford store and served as postmaster in town.
- **Jonesville Store, 989 Main Street**  
The Jonesville Store was built in 1854 and remains an active restaurant.
- **Mohawk Valley Grange Hall, 274 Sugar Hill Road**  
Built in 1896 by a number of Grooms Corners residents to serve as a gathering place, the property is now owned by the town of Clifton Park.
- **Nathan Garnsey House, 1453 Route 146**  
An unaltered example of Federal architecture, the home was built in 1791 and is owned by descendents of the original builder. Garnsey was one of the town’s founding fathers, and his son, Nathan, Jr., served as the second Town Supervisor.

Officials with the National Park Service will review the five properties and consider each for placement on the National Register of Historic Places. A decision from the National Park Service is expected in the coming months. Town Historian John Scherer, who is also a member of the Historic Preservation Commission, helped complete the application for each property’s nomination to the registers.

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