

October 3, 2016

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
Councilwoman Standaert
Councilwoman Walowit
Supervisor Barrett
Town Clerk O'Donnell

Absent: Councilman Romano

Also Present: Town Attorney McCarthy
Mark Heggen, Comptroller
Jeffrey Vedder, Supervisor of Convenience Transfer Station

MOTION BY Councilwoman Walowit, seconded by Councilman Whalen, to approve the minutes of the September 12 and 19, 2016 meetings as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Whalen, Councilwoman Standaert,
Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Romano

MOTION CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Supervisor Barrett thanked all involved with Shredding Day, noting over 200 families took part and an estimate of 1100 pounds of food will be delivered by 3N Document Destruction to the Jonesville Food Pantry. He thanked 3N for providing this great service.

Councilwoman Walowit noted the Pet Fest held on October 2nd was a great success.

Town Clerk O'Donnell spoke on the need for Election Inspectors for both parties and asked anyone interested to contact the Town Clerk's office.

Councilwoman Standaert announced Youth Court training for grades 7 – 12 is set for October 5th at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall.

The Town Clerk presented the 2017 Tentative Budget to the Town Board.

Supervisor Barrett reviewed the 2017 Tentative Budget, noting overall there is a small decrease in spending. There will be no general fund property tax, no surplus funds are used to balance the budget and the budget remains below the tax cap rate for 2017. Total spending for general fund decreases by \$111,000 and with the highway fund increase of \$100,00 results in a net decrease of roughly \$11,000. There is a proposal to increase Highway tax that would result in \$37 in 2017 for a home assessed at \$250,000. The EMS tax will decrease in an amount that will offset the increase in the Highway tax.

CSEA members will received a 2.5 percent raise per union contract and management a two percent raise.

The budget includes investments in equipment, vehicles, trail maintenance, hazardous waste day and continues the town’s commitment to maintain infrastructure. The Supervisor stated there is significant money put aside for projects at the Transfer Station, Town Hall, Clifton Common and Public Safety Building. Work at the Transfer Station is estimated to be \$50,000, therefore, there may be an increase in Transfer Station fees in 2017.

Savings resulting from the solar project at the capped landfill are not included in the 2017 budget as there will be a better idea of savings through 2017 and will be included in 2018 budget.

Sales tax revenues are down so the 2017 budget reduces the amount expected.

The Tentative Budget is available on line.

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE ON RESOLUTIONS

No one wished to be heard.

Resolution No. 226 of 2016, a resolution accepting the conveyance of a portion of Carlson Way and Balsam Way, subject to easements retained for driveway access.

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

WHEREAS, as a condition of approval for the Carlson Farms subdivision on November 14, 2006, the Town of Clifton Park Planning Board required that the applicant convey lands to the Town of Clifton Park for such purposes as are incidental thereto and for the benefit of the grantee; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby accepts the conveyance of lands and roads from Carlson Farm LLC, briefly described as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>SBL</u>
Vacant land on Carlson Way	277.2-3-11
Vacant land on Moe Road	277.2-3-36
Vacant land on Moe Road	277.2-3-43
Vacant land on Balsam Way	277.2-3-46.2
Vacant land on Moe Road	277.2-3-47
Vacant land on Moe Road	277.2-3-49
Carlson Way	277.2-3-99 (a portion)
Balsam Way	277.2-3-99 (a portion)

and be it further

RESOLVED, that this conveyance is expressly conditioned upon receipt of an approval by the Town Attorney of all necessary documents including review of the recorded deed in the Saratoga County Clerk’s Office, metes and bounds description of the conveyance and retained easements, provision of title report, provisions for payment of all taxes, recording fees and assessments which are acceptable to the Town Attorney, and be it further

RESOLVED, that there be appended to the within resolution a copy of the recorded conveyance after it has been filed with the Saratoga County Clerk, and be it further

RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provision of Section 171 of the Highway Law of the State of New York, consent be and the same hereby is given to the Superintendent of Highways of the Town of Clifton Park to make an order laying out the aforesaid deed(s); and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Superintendent of Highways is hereby authorized to post a thirty (30) miles per hour speed limit for the herein described highway(s), together with all necessary regulatory signs for proper traffic control.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Whalen, Councilwoman Standaert,
Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Romano

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 227 of 2016, a resolution accepting a conveyance of the following utility easements.

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

WHEREAS, as a condition of approval of the Carlson Farm subdivision, the Town of Clifton Park Planning Board required that the developer convey to the Town of Clifton Park certain roadways and utility easements, and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 226 of 2016, the Town Board accepted the roadways known as Carlson Way and Balsam Way; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board accepts the conveyance of the following utility easements briefly described as follows:

- 15-foot wide Utility Easement from Daniel and Julie Fariello through Lot 14 Carlson Way
- 15-foot wide Utility Easement from Sung Gi Yoon and Kyungmi Lee through Lot 16 Carlson Way

and be it further

RESOLVED, that this conveyance is expressly conditioned upon receipt of an approval by the Town Attorney and Town Engineer of all necessary documents, provisions of a title report which is acceptable to the Town Attorney, and upon payment of all taxes and assessments; and be it further

RESOLVED, that there be appended to the within resolution a copy of the recorded conveyance after it has been returned from the Saratoga County Clerk.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Whalen, Councilwoman Standaert,
Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Romano

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 228 of 2016, a resolution extending the Transfer Station hours for fall cleanup.

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

WHEREAS, Jeffrey Vedder, Transfer Station Supervisor, has requested that the Transfer Station be open on Sundays, October 23rd and 30th and November 5th and 13th, 2016 between the hours of 10 am and 4 pm, for fall cleanup of leaves and brush only, and

WHEREAS, the Transfer Station Supervisor has proposed the attached schedule to support the extended hours of operation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Transfer Station will be open for extended hours on Sundays, October 23rd and 30th and November 5th and 13th, 2016 (weather permitting), between the hours of 10 am and 4 pm, for fall cleanup of leaves and brush only.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Whalen, Councilwoman Standaert,
Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Romano

DECLARED ADOPTED

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE

Susan Burton, Riverview Road, member of Friends of Clifton Park Open Space, presented a packet of information in favor of the purchase of the 34 acres from the school district. Included in the packet is a petition entitled "A Central Park for Clifton Park". She said the Friends are interested in keeping this property in the public domain and will also be meeting with the School Board. Ms. Burton stated the Friends of Clifton Park Open Space are only advocating the acquisition of the property.

Joseph Niel, 8 Wall Street, echoed Ms. Burton's comments and added the site would be an asset to the community as everything needed for a park is there. He said the response has been overwhelming to preserve the acreage and will be something for the welfare of the community.

Bill O'Connor, Vista Court, noted the petition, in favor of purchasing the land, contains approximately 800 signatures and comments from 400 plus people. He read comments encouraging the Town Board to purchase the land.

Frank Berlin, Main Street, spoke in favor of the town purchasing the 34 acre site, stating an agreement has to be worked out. He said public value outweighs private value. On another note, Mr. Berlin reported the Girl Scouts are planning to sow seeds at the Transfer Station the first Tuesday in October.

Supervisor Barrett responded that there have been good discussions with the School Board and he is cautiously optimistic, noting the town would like to purchase the property. He noted the second RFP is due October 31st. The Supervisor stated the positive attributes to the community are enormous.

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

Motion carried at 8:05 p.m.

Patricia O'Donnell
Town Clerk