

October 11, 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
Councilman Romano
Councilwoman Walowit
Supervisor Barrett
Town Clerk O'Donnell

Also Present: Town Attorney McCarthy
Mark Heggen, Comptroller
Steven Myers, Director of Building and Zoning

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Councilman Romano reminded residents of the 2nd annual “Things that Go Bump in the Night” to be held October 15th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Park.

Supervisor Barrett reported budget workshops have been held, the Preliminary Budget is being readied with no major adjustments, and a public hearing will be scheduled for November 10th. He noted this budget ensures the Town of Clifton Park remains one of the lowest taxed municipalities with 20,000 or more in population.

PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD - SECTION 8 HOUSING PROGRAM

Greg Gallucci, Joseph E. Mastrianni, Inc. reviewed the Town of Clifton Park Section 8 Program, attached, as well as the Family Self-Sufficient Program. The Section 8 Program is totally federally funded. It was noted there is a waiting list of over 200 families for only 59 housing choice vouchers.

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE ON RESOLUTIONS

No one wished to be heard.

Resolution No. 229 of 2016, a resolution authorizing the Supervisor to sign letters of agreement with Sabina Bektesevic and Heather Rizzi for classes during the 2016-2017 fall/winter seasons.

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

WHEREAS, the preservation and enhancement of public arts, culture awareness, and entertainment within the Town of Clifton Park is recognized to be of vital importance to the quality of life of the residents of Clifton Park, and

WHEREAS, the town recognizes that the community arts programs promote positive youth development, and

WHEREAS, Myla Kramer, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Affairs, has requested that the Town Board authorize certain letters of agreement for classes during the 2016/2017 fall/winter season; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign the attached letters of agreement with Sabina Bektesevic and Heather Rizzi.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 230 of 2016, a resolution authorizing the Assessor to re-levy the expense of repairs or maintenance against the land on which such building is located, as provided for in Section 77-12 of the Town Code.

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

WHEREAS, in February of 2012, the Town Board adopted Resolution No. 40 of 2012 to respond to isolated incidents where the abandonment of properties or extended foreclosure process results in neglect to real property, and

WHEREAS, Section 77-12 of the Town Code, as amended, requires that records of costs and expenses incurred in providing such maintenance be reported to the Town Board no later than November 1st of each year, and

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Officer has reported the identification of 35 vacant, abandoned, or foreclosure properties meeting criteria outlined in Section 77-10, including one townhouse unit that posed an immediate hazard to public health, as amended, during the past year, and

WHEREAS, maintenance performed and contracted by the Buildings and Grounds Department, pursuant to Section 77 of the Town Code, has been completed by the Departments of Buildings and Grounds and Building and Development on all 35 properties at a cost of \$38,846.70, per the attached exhibit, and

WHEREAS, the code requires that the Town Board authorize the assessor to re-levy the unpaid bills on affected properties for the 2017 tax roll to ensure re-payment to the town consistent with Resolution No. 40 of 2012; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Assessor to re-levy the unpaid bills on the respective properties as delineated per the attached exhibit to this resolution for the 2017 town and county tax bills; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all proceeds be returned in February to the Town of Clifton Park.

Supervisor Barrett thanked the Building Department and Buildings and Grounds Departments for their work on these properties.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 231 of 2016, a resolution authorizing alcoholic beverages to be served at a business gathering to be held at Collins Park pavilion on October 22, 2016.

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

WHEREAS, Pamela Keiper is hosting a gathering on October 22, 2016 from 11:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., and

WHEREAS, a request has been received for permission to serve alcohol in the form of beer and wine at the event; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Pamela Keiper is hereby authorized to serve beer and wine at a gathering at Collins Park pavilion on October 22, 2016 from 11:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., consistent with the terms of the permit application received in the office of Parks, Recreation and Community Affairs.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 232 of 2016, a resolution celebrating the 90th Birthday of Clifton Park resident George Ross.

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

WHEREAS, George Ross was born on September 21, 1926 in Albany, New York, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ross enlisted in the United States Marine Corps on his 17th birthday, in the middle of World War II, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ross fought at Iwo Jima at the age of 18, in one of the most intense fighting of the war in the pacific, and

WHEREAS, George Ross resides in Rexford with his wife of 61 years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, on behalf of the people of the Town of Clifton Park, the Town Board thanks George Ross for his service as a member of “America’s Greatest Generation”; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board congratulates George Ross on the occasion of his 90th Birthday, and hereby adds him to Clifton Park’s roster of Hometown Heroes for his service to his nation.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE

No one wished to be heard.

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 7:25 p.m.

Patricia O'Donnell
Town Clerk