

October 11, 2011

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 Paolucci
Councilman Romano
Councilwoman Walowit
Supervisor Barrett
Town Clerk O'Donnell

Absent: Councilman Hughes

Also Present: Town Attorney McCarthy
Richard Kukuk, Superintendent of Highways
Mark Heggen, Comptroller
Barbara McHugh, Director of Community Development
John Scavo, Director of Planning

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Councilman Romano announced the fall promotions for the Barney Road Golf Course. Supervisor Barrett said the golf course will hit the number set for an operational profit.

The Supervisor announced the Not So Common Players are presenting "Zombie Prom" the last two weekends of October.

PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD

Frank Berlin, Main Street, Jonesville, and Ed Hughes, Beechwood Drive, presented the town with two copies of an 1864 Map of the Jonesville Cemetery to be hung at Grooms Tavern and Town Hall. Mr. Berlin thanked all involved in the preparation of the copies of the map. He explained a copy from the original map will be on display in the History Room of the Clifton Park Halfmoon Library. Mr. Berlin reported the original map is dated 1864 and was compiled by Burton H. Thomas of West Sand Lake. Mr. Hughes said the original map, signed by the founders, is in the Saratoga County Clerk's office. The formation of the cemetery was approved in January 1864 by the NYS Senate; the map was not drawn until October 1864 and registered in June 1865.

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP AWARD

Supervisor Barrett presented the following resolution to Frank Berlin in recognition of his dedication and service to the town.

Resolution No. 256 of 2011, a resolution awarding Frank Berlin the 2011 Environmental Stewardship Award in recognition of his many contributions to our community.

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

WHEREAS, the Environmental Conservation Commission, Clifton Park Green Committee and Open Space Committees have nominated Frank Berlin to be the recipient of the 2011 Environmental Stewardship Award, and

WHEREAS, Frank Berlin has served 10 years in various volunteer town roles, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Berlin has been an integral member of the Open Space, Trails and Riverfront Committee from its inception and has donated countless hours to our community through committee meetings, town tree giveaway events, Winterfest walks, and public informational meetings, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Berlin has a natural ability to identify and position activities, trends and recommendations of interest to both the Town Board and the residents of Clifton Park, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Berlin is a true naturalist and outdoorsman and possesses sincere respect for conservation in all aspects of our environment and enthusiastically shares his passions with residents and young people with his contagiously positive outlook, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Berlin, a resident of Jonesville, resides in a locally recognized historic home, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Berlin is an excellent custodian of our heritage and environment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board joins with the residents of the Town of Clifton Park in recognizing Frank Berlin for his hard work and dedication, helping Clifton Park become a “greener” place to live; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board congratulates Frank Berlin as the 2011 recipient of the Environmental Conservation Commission’s Environmental Stewardship Award.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Paolucci, Councilman Romano,
Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Hughes

DECLARED ADOPTED

Director of Community Development McHugh said Mr. Berlin epitomizes the mission and goals of the G.R.E.E.N. Committee and the Environmental Conservation Commission, as well as the Open Space, Riverfront and Trails Committee agreed. Shenendehowa teachers JoAnn Coons and Diane Betzweiser expressed appreciation to Mr. Berlin for all the work he does with students. Supervisor Barrett thanked Mr. Berlin for leading the stewardship walks and for all he’s done for the Town of Clifton Park environment.

Mr. Berlin said Clifton Park is preserving the environment for future generations.

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE ON RESOLUTIONS

No one wished to be heard.

Resolution No. 257 of 2011, a resolution accepting a quote from Regional Computer Recycling and Repair to set up a permanent site for electronics collection to be located at the Clifton Park Transfer Station.

Introduced by Councilman Paolucci, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilman Romano.

WHEREAS, the Town Board has operated Household Hazardous Waste Day since 1995, and

WHEREAS, electronics recycling has grown significantly since the onset of Household Hazardous Waste Day, and

WHEREAS, the Town has issued a Request for Proposals to solicit interest in a permanent station for recycling at the Clifton Park Transfer Station as a revenue opportunity, and

WHEREAS, three companies specializing in electronic recycling responded with proposals, and

WHEREAS, Michael Montague, Environmental Specialist, has reviewed the proposals and recommends awarding the contract to Regional Computer Recycling and Repair as the responsible vendor who has submitted the highest revenue producing quote of \$.05 per pound; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to sign a one year contract, renewable for one additional year at the mutual consent of the parties, consistent with the attached proposal from Regional Computer Recycling and Repair, 7318 Victor-Mendon Road, Victor, New York.

Supervisor Barrett explained because of the growth in the amount of electronics to be recycled, the town held a separate recycling day, as well as Hazardous Waste Day, with tremendous response. He continued having a centrally located electronics recycling at the Transfer Station will lessen the amount brought in on Hazardous Waste Day. This will be free to Clifton Park residents and no Transfer Station permit will be required though residents will have to show proof of residency. Supervisor Barrett said this is a one year contract, will be monitored carefully and should be a revenue generator. Collection will start October 19, 2011.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Paolucci, Councilman Romano, Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Hughes

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 258 of 2011, a resolution authorizing the Town Supervisor to file an application for a state grant for acquisition funds for the 41.42± acres of riverfront land.

Introduced by Councilman Paolucci, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilwoman Walowit,

WHEREAS, New York State is currently offering a consolidated funding application process to apply for state funds, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Clifton Park Town Board authorized the Supervisor to sign a purchase contract with the Estate of Amelia Lupe for the 41.42 acres property on Riverview Road in the Town of Clifton Park, and authorized funding via Resolution No. 217 of 2011, and

WHEREAS, the Town has entered into a contract to purchase said 41.42 acres of riverfront land, and

WHEREAS, the parcel offers the potential for increased access to public waterway with its 1,500+ linear feet of frontage along the Mohawk River and meets the overall goal of increasing town-protected open space in western Clifton Park, and the property is within a quarter mile of the Town of Clifton Park's Mohawk Landing Nature Preserve, and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of this parcel in the Town of Clifton Park is consistent with the 2006 Town of Clifton Park Comprehensive Plan, the 2003 Town of Clifton Park Open Space Plan, the 2005 Western Clifton Park Land Conservation Plan and the Generic Environmental Impact Statement, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board authorized the preparation of an application to Saratoga County for open space project funding via Resolution No. 197 of 2011, and

WHEREAS, the Town wishes to pursue all avenues of potential funding for the Lupe property from state and private sources; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Philip C. Barrett, as Supervisor of the Town of Clifton Park, is hereby authorized and directed to file an application for funds from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation in accordance with the provisions of Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993, in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 of a grant request, and upon approval of said request to enter into and execute a project agreement with the state for such financial assistance to this Town of Clifton Park for the acquisition of 41.42± acres of riverfront land, and if appropriate, a conservation easement/preservation covenant to the deed of the assisted property.

Jennifer Viggiani, Open Space Coordinator, said the town has also applied for the county grant.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Paolucci, Councilman Romano,
Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Hughes

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 259 of 2011, a resolution approving the Clifton Park Water Authority provision of water to a certain location in the Town of Ballston.

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

WHEREAS, per a letter from Water Authority Administrator Donald Austin, the Clifton Park Water Authority (CPWA) has granted access to the public water supply for the property of John Martin, 111 Round Lake Road, in the Town of Ballston, by Resolution No. 21 of 2011, and

WHEREAS, John Martin, 111 Round Lake Road (SBL# 249.-3-17), in the Town of Ballston, has requested that the Clifton Park Town Board approve the extension of services as per Public Authority Law Section 1120-d (18); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves the extension of the Clifton Park Water Authority's services to 111 Round Lake Road in the Town of Ballston, contingent upon such extension being consistent with Public Authorities Law Section 1120-d (18).

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Paolucci, Councilman Romano,
Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Hughes

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 260 of 2011, a resolution allowing for the consumption of alcoholic beverages at a wedding brunch at Collins Park on October 15, 2011.

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

WHEREAS, Scott Seligman, 9 Brendon Court, Clifton Park, has requested a waiver of the Town's "No Alcohol" policy for the consumption of alcoholic beverages during a wedding brunch on October 15, 2011 at Collins Park from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M., and

WHEREAS, it is the Town's policy to require the using group to monitor the consumption of alcohol, be responsible for the group's activities and to provide the Town with appropriate evidence of insurance to indemnify the Town; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that attendees at a wedding brunch are authorized to consume alcoholic beverages on October 15, 2011 at Collins Park from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. providing that they provide the Town with a certificate of insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000, naming the Town of Clifton Park as an insured, so as to indemnify the Town for any incidents which may result with the waiver of the "no alcohol" policy for the event.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Paolucci, Councilman Romano,
Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

Absent: Councilman Hughes

DECLARED ADOPTED

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE

Frank Berlin, Main Street, Jonesville, noted people are appreciative of the town's amenities. He reminded people of the Dwasskill Preserve Nature Walk scheduled for Friday, October 14th.

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

Motion carried at 7:50 p.m.

Patricia O'Donnell
Town Clerk