

November 13, 2012

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

Also Present: Town Attorney McCarthy  
Richard Kukuk, Superintendent of Highways  
Mark Heggen, Comptroller  
Steven Meyers, Director of Building and Zoning

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Supervisor Barrett thanked all involved with the Veterans' Day ceremony and rededication of the World War II Monument at Garnsey Park, notably Boy Scout Troop 246, Clifton Park Halfmoon VFW, Don Greene, DCG Development for the donation of the flag pole, Eric Catricala, Catricala Funeral Home, for cleaning the monument, Alan Atwell for assisting in coordinating the event, Carol Hotaling, the "Yellow Ribbon Lady", and Buildings and Grounds for the construction of the foundation. He thanked Mary Pipino for pursuing the move to the new location. The monument has the names engraved of twelve Clifton Park soldiers that died in World War II. Supervisor Barrett said he would like to make this an annual event.

**REPORT TO THE BOARD**

Alex Gutelius, Chairman of Community Arts and Culture Commission, presented the Commission's Annual Report, attached, and announced winners of the Photography Contest, "Harvest in Clifton Park". Winner in the Student Category is Leann Schockley, a student at Acadia, and in the Adult Category, Debbie Krohl.

**PUBLIC PRIVILEGE ON RESOLUTIONS**

No one wished to be heard.

Resolution No. 247 of 2012, a resolution authorizing the Assessor to re-levy the expense of repairs or demolition against the land on which it is located, as provided for in Section 77-10 of the Town Code.

Introduced by Councilman Whalen, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilman Hughes.

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

WHEREAS, newly adopted Section 77-11 (b) of the Town Code requires that records of costs and expenses incurred in providing such maintenance be reported to the Town Board no later than November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, and

WHEREAS, the Buildings and Grounds and Building & Development Departments have reported the identification of thirteen vacant, abandoned, or foreclosure properties meeting criteria outlined in Section 77-10, as amended, and

WHEREAS, maintenance performed by the Buildings and Grounds Department pursuant to Section 77 of the Town Code has been completed by the Department of Buildings and Grounds on all thirteen properties at a cost of \$6,825, per the attached exhibit, and

WHEREAS, the Town Code requires that the Town Board authorize the assessor to re-levy the unpaid bills on affected properties for the 2013 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 on Attachment 1 to this Resolution for the 2013 town, county and school tax bills; and be it further

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

Supervisor Barrett explained this work involves securing the outside house, minor maintenance issues, including cutting the lawn to at least keep the property maintained and have, on occasion, emptied a couple of pools. Town Attorney McCarthy reported all these properties are in foreclosure.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 248 of 2012, a resolution waiving permit fees of \$250 or less collected by the Department of Building and Development for all not-for-profit groups and amending Resolution No. 208 of 2003.

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to Town Code, permit fees are collected by the Department of Building and Development, and

WHEREAS, certain not-for-profit groups frequently pay the permit fee in connection with various activities in the town, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to support not-for-profit organizations in the town; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby waives permit fees of up to \$250 for all not-for-profit groups in the Town of Clifton Park and amends Resolution No. 208 of 2003.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 249 of 2012, a resolution authorizing the Town Supervisor to file commitment documents with Saratoga County for collection of the town's share of the 2013 Sales Tax Revenues.

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

WHEREAS, the Town of Clifton Park is required to file commitment papers regarding the collection of sales tax revenue for 2013; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Clifton Park Town Board hereby authorizes the collection of sales tax revenue, to be paid in cash for 2013, from Saratoga County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to file the appropriate documents of commitment with Saratoga County.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE

Beverly Czub, Miller Road, thanked the Town Board for moving the World War II monument to Garnsey Park and for the beautiful dedication ceremony.

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 7:30 p.m.

Patricia O'Donnell  
Town Clerk