

December 16, 2013

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
Richard Kukuk, Superintendent of Highways

MOTION BY Councilman Romano, seconded by Councilwoman Walowit, to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2013 meeting as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

MOTION CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Supervisor Barrett reported on "Town Hall at the Mall" held on December 14th noting this is an opportunity to make Assemblyman Tedisco and himself more accessible to the community.

The Supervisor praised the Clifton Park Community Chorus for a wonderful concert. It was noted the concert fundraiser was for "Hannah's Hope" and realized over \$1000.

REPORT TO THE BOARD

Supervisor Barrett introduced Eagle Scout Robert Robak who reviewed his project of posting trail signage, built three kiosks and three benches at Veterans' Park.

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE ON RESOLUTIONS

No one wished to be heard.

Resolution No. 270 of 2013, a resolution scheduling the 2014 Organizational Meeting, and the first 2014 Town Board Meeting for the Town of Clifton Park.

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

WHEREAS, it is necessary to schedule the 2014 Organizational Meeting and the first 2014 Town Board Meeting; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the 2014 Organizational Meeting for the Town of Clifton Park shall be held on Monday, January 6, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. in the Wood Memorial Meeting Room, One Town Hall Plaza, Clifton Park, New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the first Town Board Meeting of 2014 will be held on Monday, January 6, 2014 immediately following the Organizational Meeting, in the Wood Memorial Room, One Town Hall Plaza, Clifton Park, New York.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 271 of 2013, a resolution authorizing the Supervisor to sign Change Order No. 3, with William J. Keller & Sons Construction for softball drainage improvements and to authorize a transfer from contingency.

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

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 165 of 2013 authorized a contract with William J. Keller and Sons Construction, in an amount of \$263,910.63 for softball fields drainage improvements, and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 197 of 2013 authorized the Town Supervisor to sign Change Order No. 1 for \$8,673 with William J. Keller & Sons Construction for softball fields improvement project, increasing the cost of the project to \$272,583.63, and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 223 of 2013 authorized the Town Supervisor to sign Change Order No. 2 for \$16,400 with William J. Keller & Sons Construction for the improvements, increasing the cost of the project to \$288,983.63, and

WHEREAS, Change Order No. 3 was prepared by McDonald Engineering which provides the breakdown of individual item cost, and

WHEREAS, the change order results in an increase of \$34,492.65 for the softball drainage improvements project to arrive at a final contract amount of \$323,476.28, and

WHEREAS, McDonald Engineering has reviewed the proposed final change order for the additional required work throughout the course of the project and recommends the town approve Change Order No. 3 for \$34,492.65; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign Change Order No. 3, dated December 3, 2013, to William J. Keller & Sons Construction for an increase of \$34,492.65; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller is authorized to transfer \$34,493 from contingency to A-7112-200 (General Fund-Clifton Common-Equipment.)

Supervisor Barrett explained there were a lot of conflicts with infrastructure in the ground that was not marked which slowed down the contractor. All costs have been documented and reviewed by the Town Engineer.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 272 of 2013, a resolution authorizing the budget transfers for calendar year 2013 as specified in Exhibit A.

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

WHEREAS, the Comptroller has recommended that certain budget adjustments contained in Exhibit A be made to address the needs of all funds, as well as other miscellaneous expenditures as set forth in Exhibit A; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the budget transfers specified in Exhibit A be adopted per the Comptroller's recommendations.

Comptroller Heggen explained the increase in the retirement line is due to the way the town is recognizing the expense using a different method than in the past. He noted mortgage tax revenue is greater than anticipated. Mr. Heggen reviewed various fund changes.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 273 of 2013, a resolution authorizing the hiring of a Communications and Technology Director.

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

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 256 of 2013 established the position of Communications and Technology Director, and

WHEREAS, members of the Town Board have interviewed qualified applicants for the position established, and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the qualifications of Dahn Spencer Bull, 878 Main Street, Clifton Park, and conducting interviews, the Town Board has determined that Mr. Bull's education, training and experience makes him an excellent candidate for the position; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby recommends that Mr. Dahn Bull be hired to fill this position; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Clifton Park hereby authorizes the hiring of Dahn Spencer Bull, 878 Main Street, Clifton Park, for the position of Communications and Technology Director, effective January 6, 2014 at Grade 6, Step 2, \$44,707, to be paid with a transfer of funds from 2014 Budget to A-1220-E00086 (Salary Line).

Supervisor Barrett thanked all who applied for the position. He said Mr. Bull currently works for Assemblyman Tedisco. He noted the Information Specialist position, that has since been abolished, evolved into this new position of Director of Communications and Technology. The Supervisor noted this is a civil service position and will be 80% constituent services, 20% technology, liaison to community partner organizations, as well as responsible for website updates.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE

Beverly Czub, Miller Road, Treasurer of the Shenendehowa Adult Community Center, thanked the Town Board for the six new windows installed in the building. Noting the many crafts done by members, she said the quilt, which won first prize at the Saratoga County Fair, has been appraised at \$2275 and \$2000 was recognized from the raffle.

Dahn Bull, Main Street, newly appointed Community and Technology Director, thanked the Search Committee and Town Board for his appointment, stating he is looking forward to working with everyone.

MOTION by Councilwoman Walowit, seconded 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 7:33 p.m.

Patricia O'Donnell
Town Clerk