

September 11, 2017

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: Supervisor Barrett
Councilman Whalen
Councilwoman Standaert
Councilman Romano
Councilwoman Walowit
Town Clerk O'Donnell

Also Present: Town Attorney McCarthy
Dahn S. Bull, Superintendent of Highways
Mark Heggen, Comptroller
Matthew Andrus, Information Specialist

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Supervisor Barrett thanked all involved in the Hazardous Waste Collection Day, town officials and staff, ECC members, Highway Department and CERT volunteers, noting 550 cars came through.

Supervisor Barrett reminded residents of Farmfest scheduled for September 16 and 17. He noted the Red Cross will be accepting donations for hurricane relief at Riverview Orchards on Sunday, September 17.

Councilwoman Standaert reported Youth Court is entering its fourth year and recruitment efforts are beginning with an informational meeting on September 13th at 7:00 pm in the High School East auditorium for interested students in grades 7-12.

Councilwoman Walowit announced a Pet Clinic will be held during Farmfest at Riverview Orchards on Saturday, September 16th from 10:00 to 2:00.

PRESENTATION TO COLONEL DENISE M. DONNELL

Supervisor Barrett presented the following resolution to Colonel Donnell, expressing admiration and thanks for her service.

Resolution No. 226 of 2017, a resolution recognizing Colonel Denise M. Donnell on her appointment as Commander, 105th Airlift Wing, Stewart Air National Guard Base.

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

WHEREAS, Colonel Denise M. Donnell was born into a military family, her father a Navy doctor and mother a nurse, and

WHEREAS, Colonel Donnell was raised with a sense of pride and desire to serve her country, and

WHEREAS, Colonel Donnell participated in the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps program while earning a Bachelor of Science Degree in Foreign Service from Georgetown University, and

WHEREAS, during her sophomore year at Georgetown University, Colonel Donnell began to consider flying as a vocation, and

WHEREAS, upon graduation from Georgetown University in 1993, Colonel Donnell was commissioned as an Ensign through the Naval ROTC program and assigned to Naval Flight Training at NAS Corpus Christi, Texas, and

WHEREAS, Colonel Donnell spent nine years in the United States Navy as a naval aviator, including a deployment in the Persian Gulf, and

WHEREAS, following her service with the United States Navy, Colonel Donnell joined the Air National Guard at Stewart Air National Guard Base in 2002 as a C-5 aircraft commander and pilot scheduler with the 137th Airlift Squadron, and

WHEREAS, during her first tour at Stewart Air National Guard Base, Colonel Donnell was selected in October 2005 to become the 105th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron Commander, earning her maintenance badge while continuing to fly as a C-5 aircraft commander, and

WHEREAS, in May 2010 Colonel Donnell assumed command of the 105th Maintenance Squadron, leading the unit through a conversion from C-5 to C-17 aircraft while simultaneously qualifying as a C-17 pilot, and

WHEREAS, after a transfer to the 109th Airlift Wing at Stratton Air National Guard Base in 2013, Colonel Donnell commanded the 109th Maintenance Group while qualifying as a C-130 pilot, and

WHEREAS, in May 2016 Colonel Donnell was reassigned to the 105th Airlift Wing as Vice Commander; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Donnell has a Command Pilot Rating with more than 3,800 hours flown amongst seven different military aircraft, and

WHEREAS, in August 2017 Colonel Denise M. Donnell became the commander of the 105th Airlift Wing at Stewart Air National Guard Base where she is overseeing over 1330 personnel with an annual payroll of \$78 million dollars creating a local area economic impact of over \$150 million dollars, and

WHEREAS, Colonel Donnell is the first woman to take on the role as a commander, and

WHEREAS, Colonel Donnell is not only a leader but a trailblazer and role model for the young women and young men in the military, and

WHEREAS, Colonel Donnell's command is even now flying resources and personnel to hurricane stricken areas in the Caribbean, and

WHEREAS, Colonel Donnell's dedication to her country, while using her time and energy on behalf of her community in a career that is far from over should be recognized; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Supervisor Barrett and the entire Town Board of the Town of Clifton Park, New York, do hereby congratulate and salute Colonel Denise M. Donnell on her appointment as Commander, 105th Airlift Wing, Stewart Air National Guard Base, and we are honored to have her as a member of our community.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Colonel Donnell thanked the Board for this recognition. She reviewed mission of the Air National Guard, noting they have a dual missions under state and federal guidelines so they “cover the globe”, noting bringing food and supplies to Africa, Afghanistan, and various other countries. Colonel Donnell also noted mission to hurricane impacted countries.

REPORT TO THE BOARD – HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM

James Mastrianni, Joseph E. Mastrianni, Inc., reported on the program, attached, noting this program has been ongoing with the town since 1981.

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE ON RESOLUTIONS

No one wished to be heard.

Resolution No. 227 of 2017, a resolution awarding the contract to Bellamy Construction for the Berkshire Drive West Drainage Improvement Project.

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

WHEREAS, Highway Superintendent Dahn Bull recommended that a collapsed storm sewer on Berkshire Drive West be replaced, and

WHEREAS, on September 6, 2017, bids were received for the completion of the Drainage Project, per specifications proposed by McDonald Engineering, and

WHEREAS, McDonald Engineering has recommended that the bid of Bellamy Construction for directional drilling be accepted as the lowest most responsible bidder in an amount of \$78,800, and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds authorized by Resolution No. 82 of 2016 for the reconstruction and improvement of storm drainage facilities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the contract for the Berkshire Drive West Drainage Improvement be awarded to Bellamy Construction in an amount not to exceed \$78,800; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby granted to the Comptroller to allocate \$78,800 from line H44-08540-200 (Capital Projects-Drainage Repairs-Equipment) to pay for said repair.

Highway Superintendent Bull reported a completion date of October 26th is anticipated. He said all the families involved have been notified and letters are being sent to residents in the vicinity of the project so they are aware of any road detours.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 228 of 2017, a resolution authorizing the Supervisor to sign a Deed of Easement to Arvella Tardelli and Wallace Pete for the installation of a sewer lateral at 432 Vischer Ferry Road, Clifton Park.

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

WHEREAS, Arvella Tardelli and Wallace Pete, at 432 Vischer Ferry Road, Clifton Park, seek to connect to public sewer available through the Saratoga County Sewer District facilities, and

WHEREAS, accessing the sewer facilities requires that the homeowner construct a lateral sewer line beneath town owned open space land, utilizing an existing utility easement reserved to the County of Saratoga for sewer purposes, and

WHEREAS, the homeowners have applied to the town for an easement to construct the lateral sewer line necessary for connection to the public sewer facilities available in their neighborhood, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board supports the expansion of public sewers where feasible; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the grant of an easement for utility purposes is a Type II action pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act and no further review is necessary, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to sign the attached Deed of Easement to Arvella Tardelli and Wallace Pete, at 432 Vischer Ferry Road, Clifton Park, to enable the construction of a lateral sewer line as shown, contingent on approval by the Town Attorney as to form.

Supervisor Barrett stated no town funds are being expended.

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 7:38 p.m.

Patricia O'Donnell
Town Clerk