

TOWN OF CLIFTON PARK TOWN BOARD

January 8, 2024

The 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

Present: Supervisor Barrett
Councilman Morelli
Councilwoman Reid
Councilwoman Walowit
Councilman Manir
Town Clerk Brobston

Also Present: Town Attorney McCarthy
Mark Heggen, Comptroller
Norah Hofer, Communications and Technology Coordinator
Dahn Bull, Highways Superintendent

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS

Supervisor Barrett stated the Town held a new event last year to kick off Winterfest called Park at Dark at the Town Center Park. He stated the event was well attended and reviews were positive. The Town will continue this event welcoming the public to Park at Dark, Friday, February 2, 2024, 5:30-7:30PM at the Town Center Park. The event will include music, bonfires, hot cocoa & smores, and horse drawn carriage rides.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 10 of 2024, a resolution approving a master agreement with NYSDOT and an engineering agreement with Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. for a Highway Safety Improvement Project at NYS Route 146 and Miller/Tanner & Waite Roads.

Introduced by Councilwoman Reid, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilman Morelli.

WHEREAS, Planning staff have prepared grant applications for a potential project to improve the intersections of Tanner/Miller and Waite Roads along NYS Route 146, and

WHEREAS, NYSDOT has advised the Town that the project, identified as PIN 1762.47, will receive grant funding of 90% of the project costs under the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), and

WHEREAS, Planning staff recommend the retention of Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. following an RFQ process consistent with NYSDOT regulations for the HSIP, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to advance the project by making a commitment of 100 % of the non-federal share of the costs of the design of the project, as well as to pay in the first instance funding of all project costs; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to execute the attached Master Grant contract with NYSDOT for the NYS Route 146 Miller/Tanner & Waite Roads Highway Safety Improvement Project with the Federal HSIP grant funding in the amount of \$450,000, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board commits to fund the local match of 10% of all project costs, as well as first instance funding of all such project costs pending reimbursement of State share costs through the Master Grant process, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller is authorized to pay in the first instance 100% of the Federal and non-Federal share of the costs of the design work for the project and portions thereof, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$500,000 is hereby appropriated from H68-7629-135 (Capital Project-Trails Contractual-Engineering) and made available to cover the cost of participation in the design phase of the project, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to execute the attached Engineering Services contract with Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. (GPI) in the amount of \$500,000; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller is authorized to create a Capital Projects Fund, H68-Route 146 Miller/Tanner & Waite Roads.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Morelli, Councilwoman Reid, Councilman Manir,
Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 11 of 2024, a resolution authorizing Sam Chase, John DeSimone and Bruce Spiegel from the Building & Development Department to attend the Annual Northern Adirondack Continuing Education Conference to be held in Lake Placid, New York, March 3- 7, 2024.

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

WHEREAS, conferences are designed to give their members the needed hours to complete the New York State 24 hours requirement for in service education for all Code Enforcement Officers per year, in order to maintain their certification, and

WHEREAS, the 2024 Conference, sponsored by the New York State Building Officials Chapter, is necessary for the acquisition of needed credits by Building Department officials, and

WHEREAS, attendance at these seminars would provide a benefit to the residents of the Town and is necessary to maintain building officials' credentials; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Building & Development Department is authorized to send Sam Chase, John DeSimone and Bruce Spiegel to the Annual Northern Adirondack Continuing Education Conference from March 3 - 7, 2024 in Lake Placid, at a total cost for three attendees not to exceed \$3,725, as budgeted, from A-3620-001 (General Fund-Building Dept-Training and Conferences).

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Morelli, Councilwoman Reid, Councilman Manir,
Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 12 of 2024, a resolution reappointing Councilwoman Reid to a liaison position on the Town’s Environmental Conservation Commission (ECC).

Introduced by Councilman Morelli, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilwoman Reid.

WHEREAS, the term for Councilwoman Reid’s appointment expired December 31, 2023, and was not included in Resolution No. 1 of 2024, and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Barrett recommends that Councilwoman Reid be reappointed as stated; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Councilwoman Reid is hereby reappointed as a Town Board liaison to the Environmental Conservation Commission for the 2024 calendar year.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Morelli, Councilwoman Reid, Councilman Manir, Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Resolution No. 13 of 2024, a resolution rehiring Gregory George as a seasonal laborer for the 2024 season at the Town Highway Department.

Introduced by Councilman Morelli, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilwoman Reid.

WHEREAS, vacancies exist in the Highway Department for seasonal employees, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to NYS Highway Law §140 (4), the Highways Superintendent is authorized to employ qualified individuals, subject to approval of the Town Board, for the maintenance and repair of Town roads and highways, and

WHEREAS, Dahn Bull, Highways Superintendent, wishes to rehire Gregory George, Clifton Park, NY, as a seasonal laborer for the 2024 season, retroactive to January 2, 2024; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Gregory George be rehired as a seasonal laborer, at a rate of \$17.00/hour, effective on the dates noted above, to be paid from DA-5110-E4000 (Highway Fund-Highway Construction- Part-time Employee).

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilman Morelli, Councilwoman Reid, Councilman Manir, Councilwoman Walowit, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

No one wished to be heard.

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE

Darlene McGraw, Halfmoon, wished the entire Town Board, Town Clerk and Attorney a New Year.

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

Motion carried at 7:13 PM

Teresa Brobston
Town Clerk