TOWN OF CLIFTON PARK TOWN BOARD
November 17, 2026

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
Councilwoman Bellamy
Councilman Fantini
Councilman Manir
Councilwoman Reid
Town Clerk Fantini

Also Present: Town Attorney Dailey
Mark Heggen, Comptroller
Norah Hoefer, Communications and Technology Coordinator
Daniel Clemens, Director of Parks, Buildings & Recreation
Dahn Bull, Superintendent of Highways
Jennifer Jeram, Town Justice
Robert Rybak, Town Justice
Darren Semprebon, Director of Safety & Security

MINUTES

MOTION by Councilman Manir seconded by Councilwoman Reid approve the Town Board minutes of the November 4, 2026, as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilwoman Bellamy, Councilman Fantini, Councilman Manir, Councilwoman Reid, Supervisor Barrett

Abstain: None

Noes: None

MOTION CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS

Councilwoman Reid invited everyone to come to the guided full moon hike November 24 at 5:00 in Garnsey Park. She also announced the return of Santa's North Pole Mailbox to the Parks and Recreation department in Town Hall starting November 25, where children can drop off letters to Santa and receive a personal reply. In addition, there will be several holiday musical performances held at the Senior Center this season; the schedule can be found on the website.

Councilman Manir read a statement expressing his opinion regarding the Town's reserve fund that has been discussed recently. He believes that these funds belong to the residents of the Town and before any decisions are made regarding the fund, he has requested that Comptroller Mark Heggen provide the Board with an accounting by the next Town Board meeting. He indicated that once the information is received, he will be requesting the New York State Comptroller review the balance and provide guidance regarding the appropriate reserve level for a municipality of our size and financial circumstances. This guidance would then be used to develop a plan for responsible management and potential use, involving opportunities for community input. The objective is to ensure an informed, transparent, fiscally responsible decision guided by the priorities of the community. A copy of the statement is attached.

Supervisor Barrett asked if the intent of the Board majority is to spend $10 million tonight.

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Councilman Manir stated that he had given his opinion in his prepared statement.

Councilman Fantini noted that no one has mentioned spending $10 million, and there is no resolution on the agenda to do so.

Supervisor Barrett gestured toward Councilman Fantini and indicated that he has lately been talking about the Town hoarding money. He stated that he's asked Comptroller Heggen to review the last few years' project spending and noted that we've been careful with spending and that's why we have money and a very high bond rating. In the last few years we've spent over $20 million on capital projects, not including paving, and not including some offsetting grant funds. The list of projects is long and includes things like slip-lining stormwater pipes, hopper replacement at the transfer station, roof replacement at the ice arena, open space purchases, trail projects, and pool liner replacements. He stated that we've spent a lot of money over the years investing in the community across all segments, despite differing opinions that have been expressed recently by some Board members and community members.

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE 7:10 p.m.

Pam Koniszewski of Main Street addressed Councilman Manir regarding the hearings he's proposing regarding spending and stated that there have already been many hearings and that there are already people showing up at Board meetings and expressing opinions. She reminded the Board that they'd removed Deputy Supervisor Reid's $5,000 stipend, and amount that is not much for the work she does. She pointed out that the Councilwoman grew up in the Town and is raising her family here and is professional and respectful despite being mocked and bullied. She questioned the resolution that would give a $50,000 stipend to the Board's Confidential Secretary whose contribution is not visible to the community. She questioned the value of the Confidential Secretary's work to the community and wondered if the Board is trying to push out Councilwoman Reid and elevate the Board secretary because of party politics.

Caryl Hugg of Jonathan Drive expressed that she would be addressing two issues that both come down to accountability to the taxpayers of Clifton Park. First, the proposed elimination of the position of Communications and Technology Coordinator. She highlighted the three main functions of the position: Technology Coordination with the Town's IT consultant, Public Communications including social media and meeting livestreams and website management. She called for a clearer explanation of who would handle these functions if the position were eliminated. Second, she addressed Councilman Manir's acknowledgement that he was unprepared at the recent budget hearing. She stated that more than $254,000 in budget adjustments were presented primarily for the Court Clerks, a group whose professionalism and ethical conduct she questioned. She also questioned consistency in compensation with some employees receiving increases without change to their step placement and wondered about the criteria used in these determinations.

Town Clerk Fantini advised Ms. Hugg her allotted public comment time had expired.

Ms. Hugg continued, asking why the Deputy Attorneys were receiving increases when they had already received increases in May. She asked Councilman Manir where the money is coming from, and if anyone had considered the ripple effect on other employees who might ask for increases.

Councilman Manir stated that he worked with the comptroller and it does not raise the budget or touch the reserve fund, due to funds received from Verizon and Spectrum, so there is no impact to the taxpayers.

Supervisor Barrett stated that some revenue lines were increased, such as cable TV and transfer station revenue, though the transfer station always loses money so that actually increases the deficit.

Ms. Hugg asked Councilman Manir to justify that.

Councilman Manir stated that he'd already answered that the funds would come from the cable services. It's $490,000 being received and he's only asking for $254,000.

Supervisor Barrett clarified that the cable revenue line was raised from $390,000 to $490,000, which means only $100,000 increased revenue. Transfer station revenue was raised by $25,000 and Fines and Forfeit bail was raised $41,000. He stated his belief that they're trying to make the numbers work, and this includes the elimination of an important position held by a valued team member. He then pointed out that the Board had added positions in the Town Clerk's office and filled the receptionist position mid-year and reiterated that the Board is closing the budget gap by raising revenue lines he does not believe should be raised.

Ms. Hugg thanked the Supervisor for his clarification and expressed her wish that Councilman Manir had answered the question before agreeing with the Supervisor that he probably didn't know the answer. She then concluded with a statement to Councilmembers Bellamy, Manir, and Fantini that they are corrupt and do what Amy Standaert wants them to do and not what residents want, and that they should leave Clifton Park if they hate it so much.

Ann Connolly of Valdepenas Lane asked Councilman Manir if the $50,000 for the Board secretary is a stipend, or would she be an independent contractor or an employee.

Councilman Manir stated that she was appointed last year and this is a $50,000 salary for an employee.

Councilwoman Reid stated that there was no job description when the position was created, but it was received a month or two later and it is her belief that she wrote her won job description.

Supervisor Barrett stated that the position only works with the Board majority.

Ms. Connolly stated that the facts do not establish that the position or the salary were lawfully established. She indicated that she had spoken to the Saratoga County Civil Service Administration and was told that it was a stipend. She has questions relating to duties, hours, supervision, work location, benefits, pay and qualifications. She wanted to hear justification for the jump from $0 salary to $50,000 and was concerned about the hiring process used.

Councilman Manir clarified that there is no named individual in the resolution, only a position. He also stated that the job description can be found in the resolution passed in January or February.

Ms. Connolly stated that Councilman Manir will be held accountable.

Supervisor Barrett stated that she hasn't been here since she left the Town Board.

Councilwoman Reid agreed.

Supervisor Barrett added that it's only on strategy and financial issues as you can see the financial disaster 2026 has been for the Town of Clifton Park.

Kris Fitzgerald of Thoroughbred Way stated that the questions posed by Ms. Hugg and Ms. Connolly deserved answers. She stated that she is concerned about the elimination of the Communications and Technology Coordinator. She works in that field and has concerns about spreading those duties across other positions, particularly a legal secretary, with all that is happening in the attorney's office this year. She stated that the resolution does not provide enough transparency and considers the removal of the $5,500 stipend to be political. She reminded the Board that they are responsible for the resources of the community and that they will be held accountable for mismanagement of the funds. She stated that the proposed changes should have been separate resolutions and told Councilman Manir that she believes Amy Standaert is behind these changes and it's ridiculous to give here $50,000 and take away the Deputy Supervisor's $5,500 stipend.

Town Clerk Fantini advised Ms. Fitzgerald her allotted public comment time had expired.

Ms. Fitzgerald continued to tell Councilman Fantini that the changes proposed are irresponsible and that Ms. Hugg and Ms. Connolly's questions should be answered.

Councilman Fantini stated that there is public privilege at the end of the meeting so they will have a chance to speak again.

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Ms. Fitzgerald replied that they have been coming to meetings and asking questions that are not being answered. She stated that Supervisor Barrett answers questions, but the others do not. She addressed Councilwoman Bellamy and stated her belief that they are being manipulated by Attorney Dailey and Ms. Standaert. She compared it to Trump Derangement Syndrome. She expressed her wish that they'd start working for the benefit of the Town.

Audience members asked when is the correct time and place to ask questions, and when questions would be answered.

Supervisor Barrett made mention of a blog post he wrote at the beginning of the year labeled the revenge tour for 2026.

Raymond Seymour of Nadler Road asked the Board to reconsider the first resolution for the evening. He stated that in his 30 years working with the Town on the Planning and Open Space committees he has seen that the staff works very hard and the Town works as efficiently as any corporation and he doesn't believe that anyone can say the Town has too many employees. He has seen great improvement in the Town website and resident communications due to the current Coordinator. He said it would not be prudent or practical to subdivide the position. He reiterated his hope that the Board would not approve the first resolution.

Linda Seymour of Nadler Road introduced herself as Chair of the Historic Preservation Commission and Co-Chair of Historic Celebrations Committee. She stated the next two years are exciting for Clifton Park since we'll be celebrating our contributions to the 250th anniversary of the country and recognizing the 200th anniversary of Clifton Park. She named Norah as a pivotal person in those upcoming events. She stated that spreading Norah's responsibilities among other staff would just make them feel overworked and disrespected. She expressed that this resolution feels like the actions of DOGE, and that has not been working out well for the country, particularly in the last week. She implored Councilman Fantini to withdraw the resolution in order to respect the people who work in the Town.

Jim Manuel of Shadow Wood Way expressed surprise at the number of people in the room and assumed it was because of the interest in the financial matters to be discussed. He pointed out the Times Union cover story telling of the budget increase and bond rating decrease. He noted that there had been no discussion of these changes at the budget hearing, but that shortly afterward he noticed some things coming up on Facebook, including a suggestion of giving $100 to every resident. He committed to give his $100 to Councilwoman Reid if that happens. He believes we are surrounded by communities that have not been manages as economically as ours. He believes that this is the only place in New York where he could get the same value for what he pays. He reminded the Board that they should be doing what the people want and asserted that it was clear at the last meeting that they don't want to spend more on frivolous things. He stated his understanding that someone was removed from being a council member and is now heading the ethics committee and now will be given $50,000, which is unbelievable. He brought up budget increases in Rotterdam and Albany and urged people who think things are working better there to leave.

Stephanie Ranze of Fairway Woods agreed with Ms. Seymour that Clifton park should be celebrated. She asked the Board majority members what their goals are as councilmembers.

Councilwoman Bellamy stated that she was told her initial goal was to get water service on her street, but that she enjoys working with friends, family and neighbors and sharing what she's done. Her goal is to continue as long as she can.

Ms. Ranze restated Councilwoman Bellamy's goal to stay in the Town, then asked Councilman Fantini what his end goal is.

Councilman Fantini stated his goals of working on trails, public transparency, overdevelopment, and environmental impacts, and noted some accomplishments in each area. He stated he's proud of the Board's record this year and is sorry she disagrees.

Ms. Ranze directed the same question to Councilman Manir.

Councilman Manir stated that he was upset with the way that people have been twisting the proposed changes and taking claims from the audience and focusing on them when the topic was the statement he read today regarding his plan to handle possible spending of the reserve fund. He explained that the resolution is made to give raises to long time employees who have not had raises and have been asking for them for years and is not politically motivated. He stated that his decisions are made to serve the community and have the best interests of the community at heart.

Ms. Ranze reminded the Councilman that Marv LeRoy asked for $10 million at the last meeting.

Supervisor Barrett mentioned videos stating a plan to give every resident $100.

Councilman Manir said that this is a manufactured event and that there is nothing before the Board regarding this.

Ms. Ranze stated that the issue is the idea of the proposal and the fact that it had Attorney Dailey's name on it, along with the names of others. She agreed that it is the same people who come speak week after week because they care about our community and they're concerned about the ethics of Mr. LeRoy making that proposal.

Councilman Manir stated that anyone can say what they want in public privilege but that doesn't mean that the Board is going to pass it. He said that Attorney Dailey had publicly stated that he was not part of that proposal, despite his name being on the letter.

Ms. Hugg stated from the audience that he had justified why he was qualified to write it. She stated that he was the one to authorize the sales tax for Saratoga County.

Attorney Dailey clarified that he was not the author of Mr. LeRoy's memo, and he did not see the memo until the meeting, and he disagrees with the conclusions. He stated that Mr. LeRoy exercised his right as a public citizen and brought up the subject of the fund balance. None of his suggestions were taken, nor resolutions presented. Attorney Dailey expressed support for Supervisor Barrett's position that having a healthy fund balance is good for the Town. He reiterated that he did not authorize his name being put on the memo.

Caryl Hugg stated from the audience that Mr. LeRoy had approached five women in the parking lot after the meeting and told them that the Board majority had told him to release the memo that night rather than in January.

Unknown audience member agreed with Ms. Hugg and pointed out that the Sheriff's Deputy in the room had been there as well.

Supervisor Barrett pointed out that a bright spot in 2026 is that we've had a lot of new people attending meetings. He informed the newer attendants that the Board majority has caused a great deal of damage and legal liability for the Town and have attached themselves to some of the Town's long-term successes, including trails projects. He stated that as part of the grade and step structure, every employee gets a raise every year, and that our structure is very generous. He stated that the employees who would get raises on the resolution are Board majority favorites and had actually received significant raises over the last few years.

Councilman Fantini spoke about trails, and the fact that though we have many of them, they are not connected, which is why there is a need for the trails plan, mentioning the Rexford Bridge trail as an example. He also pointed out that Supervisor Barrett is a County Supervisor as well and Saratoga County has a budget deficit over $10 million that will be covered by the general fund.

Supervisor Barrett disagreed with the statement about the County deficit and pointed out that Saratoga County has the lowest county and sales tax rates in the state and the lowest per capita spending as well as many recreational resources and preserved farmland, much like Clifton Park. He noted that he had a hand in both places. He appreciated the opportunity to highlight those accomplishments. He addressed the Rexford bridge trail and stated that the trail established a connection from the bridge to the businesses nearby but did not connect to other trails yet.

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Councilman Fantini asked the Supervisor to disclose how much general fund money was being used to balance the County budget.

Supervisor Barrett stated he didn't know the exact amount but that it was minimal. He stated that it was discussed in the County meeting earlier today.

Lynn Dilger of Maureen Court reiterated the fact that many in the room have said that the Deputy Supervisor should be given back her stipend. She then asked the Supervisor to confirm that he'd stated that revenues had been added to the budget to cover the cost of the resolution and asked what would happen if that revenue didn't actually come in, stating that we would still have the obligation to pay those salary increases. She also noted that despite Attorney Dailey saying he wasn't part of the memo calling to spend $10 million, the perception is still there that he agreed.

Supervisor Barrett agreed.

Ms. Dilger then spoke to Councilman Fantini about the video he posted the next day proposing to give each resident $100, totaling $4 million. She explained that people are upset because they're hearing this proposal from a Board member. She does not think residents are asking for this type of spending and thinks that the Board is not reacting to what residents are saying to them.

Councilman Fantini thanked Ms. Dilger for speaking and stated that Mr. LeRoy had started an important discussion and that his $100 suggestion had come from a member of the public and he'd offered it as a possibility. He reiterated what Councilman Manir had said in his earlier statement; that before anything happened it would need to be voted on.

Ms. Dilger told Councilman Fantini that it seems like they're consistently hearing feedback that they're not paying attention and they're voting against what the people are saying.

Jacob Kearns of Barney Road stated that over the last few years costs have gone up due to State and Federal policies and he doesn't disagree with Councilman Manir's proposal to check in with the State but thinks that we should also make sure we have a buffer to cover unexpected levels of inflation. He requested that the whole Board keep this in mind to avoid a Town tax in future.

Councilman Manir thanked him for his remarks and said that was why he gave his statement at the beginning of the meeting, in an attempt to put his opinion out before people overreacted.

Christine Jiminez of Patroon Place asked Councilman Manir if the proposed budget changes were his work only.

Councilman Manir confirmed that it is his work, in collaboration with Comptroller Heggen.

Ms. Jimenez stated that the Board works for the residents and compared the budget adjustments to sloppy work from an employee and stated that the math doesn't make sense. She reminded Councilman Manir that his term is up this year, and she feels this reflects negatively on him. She stated that she felt it was unfair to take away the Deputy Supervisor's stipend. She then addressed Councilwoman Bellamy and expressed concern that the Councilwoman couldn't explain resolutions that she puts forth. She also stated that it's inappropriate for all the budget changes to have been put into one resolution and makes Supervisor Barrett and Councilwoman Reid look bad when they vote no. She then stated that the budget should have been presented in full at the November 5 meeting.

Councilman Manir explained the budget hearing process. He stated that during budget hearings he listened to the department heads and tried to make the changes they had been requesting for years. He reminded her that he worked with the comptroller to make sure his proposed changes could fit within a balanced budget.

Councilwoman Reid stated that there were other department heads that requested raises for their employees in budget hearings that were not included in this resolution.

Councilman Manir asked for an example.

Councilwoman Reid mentioned that the senior center didn't have raises for staff, only the director and spoke of a programming budget being dropped to $4,000 from $22,000.

Councilman Manir asked her why she hadn't put forth any changes herself.

Councilwoman Reid stated that she'd sent Councilman Manir an email to address the issue.

Councilman Manir told her he'd not answered her email due to a statement that he was politically motivated. He also stated that the Deputy Supervisor stipend hadn't been in the budget last year.

Supervisor Barrett said that the stipend had been in the budget for decades, but it had been taken out to save money, and they've done nothing to save money since then.

Councilman Manir said he would do the job in a heartbeat for no money.

Supervisor Barrett emphasized that meetings with department heads are budget workshops, not public hearings intended to allow public discussion of the proposed budget. He pointed out that the proposed changes were not presented or discussed at the public hearing. He argued that introducing these changes late in the budget process contradicts the previously expressed commitment to public transparency and public input before approving expenditures.

Councilman Manir said he had mentioned that he was working on some proposed changes at the last meeting, then emailed the Board once the numbers were finalized.

Supervisor Barrett said that it is important to get public input on budget changes at hearings, as Councilman Manir himself had noted in his earlier statement. The budget process had clear steps and deadlines all along.

Mike Olsen of Kendra Drive asked which Board member was behind the resolution to eliminate the communications position and asked for the rationale behind it, and the process used to determine which position to eliminated.

Councilman Fantini explained that the rationale was to save taxpayer money. He decided which position to eliminate based on his judgment. He stated that this was not based on job performance, only a goal to save money.

Mr. Olsen asked if he had asked the Coordinator's supervisor about her job performance before deciding to cut the position.

Councilman Fantini stated that the Board is the Coordinator's supervisor.

Norah Hoefer said she reports directly to the Town Supervisor.

Councilman Fantini reiterated that all Town employees report to the Board.

Councilwoman Reid said that they do not.

Mr. Olsen observed that we have one Board member proposing to cut cost by eliminating a position while another in proposing $250,000 in payroll increases and stated that it doesn't make sense that we would cut a position and let an employee go for no reason.

Kim Spath of Madrid Court questioned why we're cutting a position to save cost when we added a position in the Town Clerk's office and now, we're trying to add the position of confidential secretary to the Board. She asked why we would get rid of an employee that's valuable to the community and start paying for a secretary that doesn't seem to have a positive impact. She also questioned the raises for Deputy Attorneys who just received raises, when we already have increased legal fees due to this year's events. She spoke of her love for the community and expressed disgust at the Board for acting like children.

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Councilman Fantini and Councilman Manir explained that the raises proposed for the legal department were not new raises, just bringing the budgeted amount up to the amounts established when the last raises were given.

Supervisor Barrett noted that the Board majority also hired both Deputy Attorneys' firms for Town work this year. He also explained how the communications role was created and stated that Norah has been doing an incredible job.

Nicole Simonds of Robin Hill Road, Mechanicville asked about the process of approving resolutions.

Supervisor Barrett clarified the process.

Ms. Simonds asked how many people in the Town will get raises over and above their annual step and grade.

Marcia Gable of Clifton Park asked Councilman Manir if the position for the confidential secretary to the Board would be posted to the public.

Councilman Manir explained that this brings some employees to the correct step and grade.
Ms. Simonds asked why some employees would receive raises but not others.

Town Clerk Fantini advised Ms. Simonds her allotted public comment time had expired.
Ms. Simonds refused to yield the floor and asked Attorney Dailey about his raise in the resolution.

Attorney Dailey explained he is not the Kevin being mentioned and that the proposed salary increases for the Deputy Attorneys both bring their budgeted salaries up to the 2026 level and give them the standard annual increase that all employees get.

Supervisor Barrett explained the history of the Deputy Attorneys' salaries in the budget.

Ms. Simonds called into question the ethics of giving the Deputy Attorneys raises and hiring their firm.

Supervisor Barrett brought up the idea of doing a salary study.

Ms. Simonds stated that it seems like the Board is proposing raises without any market-based justification, or comparison to other employees in the Town.

Supervisor Barrett discussed the potential for a cascading effect among other Town employees to ask for increases and called it irresponsible to make these adjustments without a comprehensive study beforehand.

Councilman Manir said that he would recommend that it is.

Ms. Gable asked for further reasoning regarding the choice of Norah's position to be cut.

Councilman Fantini said he already explained it was a reorganization to save the Town money.

Ms. Gable yielded the rest of her time to Councilwoman Bellamy, Councilman Fantini and Councilman Manir so they could answer the questions that had yet to be answered.

Ms. Hugg asked Councilman Manir why he didn't give up his salary to save Norah.

Laura Brothers of Majorca Lane praised Norah Hoefer and stated that she's embarrassed for this Town. She told Councilman Fantini she was glad he lost because he does not belong as our Supervisor. She asked why the administrative assistant to the Board is confidential because she knows Amy Standaert. She praised Councilwoman Reid, Supervisor Barret and the Supervisor-elect for caring.

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Councilman Fantini clarified that it was Ram Lalukota that ran for Supervisor, he himself had run for State Assembly.

Justice Rybak of Route 146A spoke in support of a portion of the second resolution. They had been asking for raises for their Clerks for years and have studied salary rates across the Town. He explained that the Court Clerks are at Grade 5 but Clerks in other Town departments are grade 7. The Chief Clerk is at grade 8 but others are grade 10. They're asking for equal treatment, not special treatment. These Clerks are often disrespected and abused by the unhappy people who appear before the Court. He suggested that if needed, the Town could impose a surcharge on tickets to help offset the cost of the increases.

Councilman Manir thanked the Judge for his explanation and stated that he'd heard similar things from other departments, and this was the basis for his proposed changes. He took their input and worked with the Comptroller to make sure the increases could happen without raising taxes or surcharges.

Supervisor-elect Anthony Morelli of Gloucester Street asked Town Clerk Fantini if we had received any messages in support of the first resolution and called for a show of hands in the audience to see who would be in favor of keeping the communications position and the majority of people in the room raised their hand.

Town Clerk Fantini indicated that there had been no messages in support of the resolution.

Mr. Morelli thanked the Sheriff's Deputy and Town Public Safety Officers for their presence at the meeting and pointed out that of the 14 patrols in the county, 1 was dedicated to this meeting due to the atmosphere. He encouraged the Board to listen to their constituents. He spoke out against the first resolution stating that it goes against the will of the people and restricts the Supervisor's ability to perform the communication with the Town that is mandated by law. He said that we need to analyze the results of the recent election and realize that people voted for bipartisanship.

No one else wished to be heard.

Public Privilege closed at 9:01 p.m.

PRESENTATION

Vertical Bridge proposed Wireless Telecommunications Facility at Barney Road Golf Course, 3 Barney Road, Clifton Park.

Jackie Phillips Murray representing Vertical Bridge and identifying herself as a Clifton Park resident, spoke regarding inadequate wireless telecommunications coverage in the Barney Road and Clifton Knolls areas. She noted that residents and motorists frequently experience dropped calls due to poor service in the area. She clarified that the purpose of the presentation was not to seek immediate approval for a cell tower, but rather to determine whether the Town would consider leasing a portion of Town-owned property at Barney Road Golf Course to Vertical Bridge. The proposed lease area would consist of a 25-by-75-foot parcel located in a wooded area east of Barney Road and slightly north of the existing pond. She stated that the company held a public outreach meeting in June to present visual simulations and a proposed site plan for the project. Invitations were mailed to 113 residents whose properties were within 500 feet of the golf course parcel. She noted that community feedback included both support and opposition to the proposal; however, residents consistently acknowledged the need for improved wireless service in the area. She emphasized that the purpose of the current presentation was limited to exploring the Town's willingness to consider leasing a portion of its property.

Councilman Fantini asked if this tower alone would fix the service problem.

Ms. Phillips Murray explained that the proposed telecommunications facility would initially support Verizon Wireless, improving service for Verizon customers in the area. She noted that the facility would also be designed to accommodate additional wireless carriers through co-location, potentially expanding service benefits to customers of other providers. She explained

that Vertical Bridge's business model incentivizes the company to maximize the number of carriers using its facilities.
She emphasized that the project remains in its preliminary stages and that Vertical Bridge is currently seeking only the Town Board's willingness to consider leasing the proposed parcel. If the Town agrees, the project will still require site plan and special use permit applications, State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR), and Planning Board review and approval before proceeding.

Supervisor Barrett noted that service in that area is extremely challenging, and that it seems that Vertical Bridge has done everything possible to limit the visibility of the tower for as many people as possible. He asked about the distance of the tower from neighboring property lines.

Ms. Phillips Murray listed the setback distances on all sides, ranging from 203 feet to 1,040 feet.

Supervisor Barrett acknowledged that cell towers are a controversial topic and that even though we all need them, many people are wary of having them near their homes, as well as the fact that the decision tonight is just the first step in the process. He stated that many people who live in the area, as well as pool and golf course users would benefit from improved service.

Attorney Dailey asked about geographic coverage areas shrinking due to increased load on the system.

Ms. Phillips Murray confirmed this to be true.

An unidentified audience member asked for confirmation that the geographic coverage of the proposed tower would be roughly half a mile.

Ms. Phillips Murray explained that each facility has limits to what it can cover and people's data needs have changed over the years so when sites reach their maximum capacity, new towers need to be added.

The audience member then asked how many towers would need to be added.

Ms. Phillips Murray stated it isn't possible to estimate future needs but, these needs must be identified when deficiencies exist. She said this site is unique, because there are not many non-residential properties in the area that would be able to support a tower and this gives the Town a chance to provide a benefit to the residents.

An audience member asked if the tower would create an immediate area dead zone as she has read online and wondered if the proposed tower would change flight patterns in the area.

Ms. Phillips Murray explained that part of the planning approval process involves Federal Aviation Administration review, but that the proposed 120' should not cause any issues. She stated that part of the planning approval process would be a balloon test with photographic simulations to demonstrate the visual impact of the tower, and she reiterated that these concerns will be addressed further down the line, but tonight's discussion is solely around the possible lease of the property. The lease option would not be exercised if the planning approvals were not granted. In response to an audience question, she noted this tower would likely not be camouflaged and listed several existing towers in the area that could be viewed as examples. She explained that these tower sites include the tower, a small, prefabricated shelter, and a surrounding fence.

An audience member asked what the lease would be.

Ms. Phillips Murray stated that the initial draft amount is $2,00 per month with annual escalators built in.

Supervisor Barrett stated that this seems like an important need for Clifton Knolls.

Councilman Fantini agreed.

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Councilwoman Bellamy noted that Verizon customers in the area have been told that their land line service would be discontinued. She asked if that would have an adverse effect on the coverage of the new tower.

Ms. Phillips Murray said that it would, and this is part of the existing problem in Clifton Knolls. She said that she will leave a copy of the proposed lease agreement for the Board to review and decide whether to put forth a resolution.

Councilwoman Bellamy asked if the residents would be notified of the occasion of the balloon test.

Ms. Phillips Murray replied that the Town's telecommunication laws include a notification mechanism as part of the planning approval process.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 343 of 2026, a resolution to authorize the reorganization of administrative, communications, and technology functions, abolishing the position of Communications and Technology Coordinator, and authorizing related budgetary and personnel adjustments.

Introduced by Councilman Fantini, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilwoman Bellamy.

WHEREAS, the efficient and economical administration of municipal services requires periodic evaluation of staffing, operational responsibilities, and the allocation of Town resources; and

WHEREAS, the consolidation and redistribution of certain administrative, communications, and technology functions presents an opportunity to improve operational efficiency, reduce duplication of responsibilities, and make more effective use of existing Town personnel; and

WHEREAS, the position of Communications and Technology Coordinator was established in 2023 to perform a combination of public communications, administrative, and technology coordination functions under the direction of the Town Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, the responsibilities associated with this position include public information dissemination, website and social media communications, preparation of informational materials, recording of Town Board meetings, coordination of technology-related requests, and liaison activities involving outside technology service providers; and

WHEREAS, the proposed reorganization would consolidate certain functions historically assigned to the Communications and Technology Coordinator with existing administrative responsibilities and redistribute other functions among appropriate Town personnel; and

WHEREAS, changes in the administration of the Town Supervisor's Office present an opportunity to review existing operational practices and redistribute responsibilities while maintaining continuity of essential municipal services; and

WHEREAS, the proposed redistribution of duties would eliminate the operational necessity of maintaining the Communications and Technology Coordinator as a separate full-time position; and

WHEREAS, changes in the manner in which the Town's litigation and legal support services are provided, including the assumption of substantial litigation responsibilities by the Deputy Town Attorney through his private law office and supporting staff, have reduced certain administrative responsibilities historically performed by the Confidential Secretary to the Town Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the proposed reorganization would assign certain administrative and communications functions previously performed by the Communications and Technology Coordinator to the Confidential Secretary to the Town Attorney, thereby promoting a more efficient allocation of existing personnel and responsibilities; and

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WHEREAS, the transition to a new Town Supervisor following an extended period of continuity in that office is expected to require additional administrative support to facilitate the transfer of institutional knowledge, established procedures, and operational responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the incumbent Confidential Secretary to the Town Supervisor possesses institutional knowledge and experience that may assist in facilitating this transition, and a temporary stipend of $2,000 is proposed in recognition of additional transitional responsibilities should the incumbent continue in that position; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the reorganization of certain administrative, communications, and technology functions of the Town of Clifton Park for the purpose of improving operational efficiency, consolidating responsibilities, and maintaining essential municipal services; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby abolishes the position of Communications and Technology Coordinator, effective January 1, 2027; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2027 Preliminary Town Budget is hereby amended to reduce the salary appropriation for the position of Communications and Technology Coordinator, Account A-1220-E6153 to zero dollars ($0), effective January 1, 2027, and that no funds shall be appropriated for that position for the 2027 Fiscal year; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the remaining essential duties previously assigned to said position shall be redistributed among appropriate Town employees in accordance with the operational needs of the Town; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Confidential Secretary to the Town Attorney shall assume certain administrative and communications responsibilities previously performed by the Communications and Technology Coordinator, to make more efficient use of existing Town personnel; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2027 Preliminary Town Budget is hereby amended to authorize a temporary stipend of $2,000, to be paid over the course of the 2027 Fiscal year, to the incumbent Confidential Secretary to the Town Supervisor, provided the incumbent continues in that position during the transition to the incoming Town Supervisor, in recognition of additional responsibilities associated with the transfer of institutional knowledge, established procedures and administrative operations.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilwoman Bellamy, Councilman Fantini

Noes: Councilman Manir, Councilwoman Reid, Supervisor Barrett

DECLARED DENIED

Supervisor Barrett stated that the resolution has nothing to do with Norah’s job performance or the importance of her position, but that he believes it is politically motivated. He said that the current Board is spending lots of money but pretending this is about cost savings. He thinks this opens the Town up to legal liability.

Councilwoman Reid asked that a letter received from a resident be read into the record.

Town Clerk Fantini read the attached letter from Susan Truitt of Clifton Park.

Councilwoman Reid thanked Ms. Truitt and stated that there had been a lot of valuable feedback this evening. She then asked who had written the resolution.

Councilman Fantini informed her that he had.

Councilwoman Reid continued to speak in opposition to the resolution, characterizing it as politically motivated rather than based on operational needs. She argued that eliminating the position would negatively affect Town operations, employee morale, and community initiatives. She emphasized that the employees expected to absorb the responsibilities already have substantial workloads and were not hired to perform those duties. She maintained that the

position is essential to daily operations and warned that approving the resolution could contribute to a toxic work environment.

Councilman Manir suggested that they might table the resolution.

There were several shouted comments from the audience in opposition to the resolution, and encouraging Councilman Manir to vote no.

Resolution No. 344 of 2026, a resolution to authorize amendments to the Town of Clifton Park 2027 Budget.

Introduced by Councilman Manir, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilwoman Bellamy.

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Clifton Park has reviewed the proposed 2027 Town Budget, including departmental appropriations, personnel expenditures, and anticipated revenues; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has identified adjustments to the proposed 2027 budget that it determines are appropriate to support municipal operations, departmental staffing, legal services, and the efficient administration of Town government; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board recognizes the importance of maintaining adequate staffing, appropriate compensation, and necessary professional services within the Legal and Justice Departments to ensure the effective delivery of municipal services; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board recognizes the importance of maintaining adequate staffing, appropriate compensation and necessary services within the Town Comptroller's Department, to ensure the effective delivery of municipal services, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 282 of 2021, the Town Board established the position of Director of Animal Control and promoted Teresa Cook to said position, effective January 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board recognizes the departmental leadership and administrative responsibilities assigned to the Director of Animal Control under said resolution and finds that the proposed salary adjustment appropriately reflects the responsibilities of that position; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board recognizes that the Receiver of Taxes and Senior Center Director exercise significant departmental leadership and administrative responsibilities, and finds that the proposed salary adjustments for Rose Savallo and Sue Leonard appropriately reflect their respective responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, Melinda Acker has assumed expanded duties and responsibilities within the Planning Department consistent with those of Assistant Director of Planning, as described in the applicable Saratoga County civil service job specification, and the Town Board finds that her contributions warrant promotion to said position, on a provisional basis, pending civil service examination; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has identified a continuing need for dedicated confidential administrative support to assist its members in carrying out their official responsibilities and ensuring the efficient coordination of Town Board business; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board desires to eliminate the Deputy Supervisor stipend appropriation from the proposed 2027 Town Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board intends that all approved amendments be incorporated into the final 2027 Town Budget; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Clifton Park approves the amendments to the proposed 2027 Town Budget as detailed in Schedule A; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes an increase of $62,799 in the 2027 Legal Department appropriations, consisting of salary adjustments for the Deputy Town Attorneys and an increase in funding for outside legal counsel, as detailed in Schedule A, as follows: Kevin Luibrand, Deputy Town Attorney, with a salary increase of $12,833; Stefanie Bitter, Deputy

Town Attorney, with a salary increase of $19,966; and outside counsel, other legal fees with an additional amount of $30,000, as detailed in Schedule A; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes an increase of $16,627 in the 2027 Comptroller's Department appropriations, consisting of salary adjustments for Darlene Allen, Deputy Comptroller, to Grade 10, Step 8, Year 3, in the amount of $6,724; and Christine Pagniello, Payroll, to Grade 7, Step 11, Year 1, in the amount of $9,903, as detailed in Schedule A; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes an increase of $87,599 in the 2027 Justice Department appropriations for salary adjustments affecting the Chief Clerk, Clerks to the Town Justices, Court Clerks, and part-time Court Clerks, consisting of salary adjustment for Constance Brown, Chief Clerk to Grade 10, Step 7, Year 2 in the amount of $16,278; a salary adjustment for Janet Gomes, Clerk to Town Justice to Grade 7, Step 9, Year 1 in the amount of $15,986; a salary adjustment to (position to be filled), Clerk to Town Justice to Grade 7, Step 1, Year 1 in the amount of $10,049; a salary adjustment for Charlene Marra, Court Clerk to Grade 7, Step 7, Year 2 in the amount of $14,634; a salary adjustment for Laura Davidson, Court Clerk to Grade 7, Step 9, Year 1 in the amount of $15,986;a salary adjustment for Kathleen O'Donnell, Court Clerk to Grade 7, Step 5, year 2; a salary adjustment for D. Sharron, Part-time Justice Clerk to Grade 7, Step 3, Year 2 ($40.88/hr) in the amount of $500; a salary adjustment for M. Welch, Part-time Justice Clerk to Grade 7, Step 2, Year 1 ($39.69/hr) in the amount of $500, all as detailed in Schedule A; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2027 appropriation for the Deputy Supervisor salary or stipend, Account A-1220-E1220, shall be reduced by $5,576 to zero dollars ($0); and be it further

RESOLVED, that an annual salary appropriation of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) shall be established for the position of Confidential Administrative Assistant to the Town Board, under an appropriate budget account to be designated by the Town Comptroller; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the promotion of Melinda Acker from Administrative Assistant in the Planning Department to Assistant Director of Planning, Grade 8, Step 5, Year 1, effective January 1, 2027, with compensation to be determined in accordance with the applicable salary schedule and the increase in salary as detailed in Schedule A, in the amount of $13,100, and that budget item A-8010-E2622, PT Clerk to Zoning is eliminated from the Department of Zoning budget, in the amount of $8,438; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the proposed salary and grade adjustments for Teresa Cook, Rose Savallo, and Sue Leonard shall be reflected in the final salary and wage schedules, as follows: Teresa Cook, Director of Animal Control to Grade 8, Step 4, Year 3 in the amount of $7,381; Rose Savallo, Receiver of Taxes to Grade 8, Step 4, Year 3 in the amount of $7,381; and Sue Leonard, Senior Center Director to Grade 8, Step 5, Year 2, in the amount of $7,600, as detailed in Schedule A; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Comptroller is hereby directed to reconcile and incorporate the approved amendments into the 2027 Town Budget, including all affected departmental appropriations, expenditure summaries, salary and wage schedules, anticipated revenues, and projected financial balances as detailed at Schedule A and summarized at Schedule B, with both Schedules attached herewith and incorporated as a part of this Resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby adopts the 2027 Preliminary Town Budget, as amended by this Resolution and the corresponding budget schedules, as the final Town Budget for the fiscal year 2027, effective January 1, 2027.

MOTION by Councilman Manir to amend this resolution based on the failure of the prior resolution. Seconded by Supervisor Barrett.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilwoman Bellamy, Councilman Fantini, Councilman Manir, Councilwoman Reid, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

MOTION TO AMEND CARRIED

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ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilwoman Bellamy, Councilman Fantini, Councilman Manir

Noes: Councilwoman Reid, Supervisor Barrett

DECLARED ADOPTED

Supervisor Barrett said that he thought that the Supervisor-elect should be involved in these discussions.

Councilwoman Bellamy stated that she hoped that the Supervisor-elect would be more involved with the rest of the Board more than Supervisor Barrett has been.

Supervisor Barrett disagreed with the Councilwoman's statement and gave examples of how he's communicated with her. He then stated that the resolution was opening the Town to possible lawsuits and that there was a need for more data to back up the need for salary adjustments.

An audience member asked if these are union positions that would be changed.

Supervisor Barrett explained that there is a mix—the lawyers are not. He then explained the step and grade salary matrix, and how employees go up based on longevity of employment.

Attorney Dailey called attention to the line in the last paragraph "As heretofore amended" which references the passage of the prior resolution and stated that this resolution needed to be amended to remove that line since the prior resolution had failed.

Councilman Manir moved to strike that line.

Supervisor Barrett seconded Councilman Manir's motion.

Councilman Manir informed the Board that he had discussed the changes he's proposed with Supervisor-elect Morelli, line by line. He thanked Mr. Morelli for his input. He also stated that his resolution is not politically motivated.

Councilwoman Reid made clarifications to the timeline for the budget process and stated that changes of this magnitude should have been presented in the preliminary budget at the hearing on November 5. She mentioned that there were changes proposed by former Town officials at that hearing, but that no member of the Board proposed any changes that night. She said that she had advocated for the Supervisor-elect to be involved in the budget decisions and had discussed with him the possibility of doing a salary audit. She expressed disappointment that these changes are being presented at the last minute and bring no increase in service to the residents. She questioned the fairness and consistency of the proposed changes, noting that several department heads had advocated for raises for employees who were not included in the proposal. That her own stipend was to be removed despite the extra work she performs makes Councilman Manir look spiteful and politically motivated. She then raised concerns regarding multiple-grade salary increases that allowed employees to retain their existing years of service and salary steps, which differs from previous promotional practices and could create complications with union agreements. She pointed out that most part-time employees work set schedules and questioned whether the administrative assistant to the Board worked enough to justify a $50,000 salary. She concluded by recommending that Board members who believe additional administrative assistance is necessary consider funding the proposed salary through reductions to their own salaries rather than placing the expense on taxpayers.

Supervisor Barrett pointed out that if a comprehensive salary study was done, there would be no need to wonder if anyone had been left out. He spoke of current grievances with Highway department employees and indicated a desire to avoid this happening more with other employees in other departments. He called for the Board to step back and wait until more data was available.

Councilman Manir explained the way that he had researched and come up with these changes and reiterated that his motivation was not political.

Councilwoman Reid asked for the job description for the administrative assistant position.

Councilman Manir said that it had not changed since it was approved by the Board in March.

Councilwoman Reid noted that the job description did not include working hours, and reminded the Board that the current administrative assistant, Amy Standaert was a former Board member who had resigned midterm on the same day as another Board member and seems to have written her own job description and schedule and is not responsive to some of the Board members. She read Councilwoman Standaert's resignation letter into the record.

Supervisor Barrett invited those unfamiliar with the situation to Google to find out what had led to the resignations that day. He reiterated his stance that the Board needed a comprehensive salary study and public hearing process before these changes were made.

Councilman Manir clarified that Ms. Standaert's appointment to the position expires on December 31 and that the salaried position would be posted.

Councilwoman Reid brought up the steps required for creating a new position and informed him of the potential legal consequences for failing to follow the steps.

Councilman Fantini asked Councilwoman Reid about the employees she mentioned that had been passed over.

Councilwoman Reid clarified that she does not advocate for spending any more money and had just expressed regret that there was inconsistency in who was chosen to receive increases.

Councilman Fantini asked if she would support an amendment adding the Senior Center employee who had been passed over.

Supervisor Barrett expressed frustration at the Board majority's handling of the situation.

Councilwoman Bellamy requested that Town Clerk Fantini re-read the resolution heading.

Town Clerk Fantini re-read the resolution heading and final paragraph ahead of the vote.

Resolution No. 345 of 2026, a resolution adopting the 2027 Budget for the Town of Clifton Park.

Introduced by Supervisor Barrett, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilwoman Reid.

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on the Preliminary Budget on November 5, 2026, to obtain comment from the public regarding the proposed Budget for 2027; and

WHEREAS, the comments of the public have been incorporated into the proposed budget; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 2027 Town of Clifton Park Budget is hereby adopted.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: None

Noes: Councilwoman Bellamy, Councilman Fantini, Councilman Manir, Councilwoman Reid, Supervisor Barrett

DECLARED DENIED

Attorney Dailey informed the Board that the passage of the prior resolution approved the budget, and this resolution is now redundant. He advised the Board members that they did not need to vote on it or if they do, they should vote No.

Resolution No.346 of 2026, a resolution accepting an offer of dedication of Fairmont Drive, Pembroke Street, Spencer Street, open space parcels of land, easements, rights-of-way and storm water retention parcels, all within the Crescent Woods Subdivision.

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to New York State Highway Law 171, and Section 179-23 of the Town Code, the Town Board has the discretion to accept the dedication of roads and real property for public use, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the approved plans for the Crescent Woods Subdivision, Michaels Group, Inc, the owner, has offered to dedicate parcels of land described as for highway purposes, open space parcels of land, easements, rights-of -way and storm water retention parcels, as shown on the attached proposed deed or deeds or instrument of conveyance, and

WHEREAS, the description includes areas for drainage purposes, and

WHEREAS, Prime AE has completed inspections and reports that all punch items have been completed or are scheduled to be completed; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board accepts the offer of dedication of Fairmont Drive, Pembroke Street, and Spencer Street, related open space parcels of land, easements, rights-of-way, storm water retention parcels, all as depicted on the approved Subdivision Map, and as more particularly described in the relevant deeds, as listed in the attached deeds and descriptions, subject to the final approval of the Town Attorney of all real estate transfer documents, review of title and confirmation of the payment of appropriate taxes.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilwoman Bellamy, Councilman Fantini, Councilman Manir, Councilwoman Reid, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

No one wished to be heard.

Resolution No. 347 of 2026, a resolution to set and approve the offer of just compensation to property owners adjacent to the Sitterly Road Intersection Enhancement & Sidewalk Connectivity Project P.I.N. 1763.21

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

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 65 of 2025, the Town authorized a professional services agreement with MJ Engineering, Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Land Surveying, P.C. (MJ Engineering) for engineering design services, right-of-way incidentals services, right-of-way acquisition services, and construction support for the Sitterly Road Intersection Enhancement and Sidewalk Connectivity Project (the project) and to create a Capital Projects Fund, and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 97 of 2025, the Town authorized the implementation, and funding in the first instance 100% of the federal-aid and State “Marchiselli” Program-aid eligible costs of this federal-aid project, and appropriated funds, and,

WHEREAS, Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. (GPI), a subcontractor for MJ Engineering for this project, has determined that certain permanent acquisitions are needed to advance the project, and based on the individual property appraisals and appraisal reviews for all properties associated with the project, recommends the acquisition of eight (8) properties for the recommended just compensation for each property based on the highest approved appraisal amount, as outlined in a correspondence from GPI Senior Right-of Way Specialist Kimberly Dempsey, dated 10/06/2026, attached; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves the acquisition of the real property interests at the value listed as the recommended just compensation in the letter from GPI and authorizes the Supervisor to sign the attached just compensation letter and just compensation offers to the listed property owners for the project, with funds from Capital Project Fund, H71-01940-00200 (Capital Project Funds - Sitterly & Clifton Park Center Roads – Other Town Payments - Equipment) to offset the costs of acquisition.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilwoman Bellamy, Councilman Fantini, Councilman Manir, Councilwoman Reid, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Supervisor Barrett stated that this is the next step in a long-term project that will make a roundabout at the Sitterly Road and Clifton Park Center Road intersection and add a sidewalk extension.

Resolution No. 348 of 2026, a resolution authorizing the acceptance of the bid from AC-DC Line Construction to supply and install four (4) decorative streetlights on Redfield Park in the Wyncrest Park District.

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

WHEREAS, Daniel Clemens, Director of Buildings, Parks and Recreation, advertised for sealed bids to supply and install four (4) decorative streetlight poles on Redfield Park in the Wyncrest Park District, and

WHEREAS, four (4) sealed bids were received and opened on October 27, 2026, and

WHEREAS, AC-DC Line Construction, Elizaville, NY, submitted the lowest bid in the amount of $35,000 for the four (4) decorative streetlights, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Clemens has reviewed the bids and recommends accepting the AC-DC Line Construction bid as lowest conforming bid; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Town Board, as Commissioners of the Wyncrest Park District, authorizes the acceptance of the bid from AC-DC Line Construction for the supply and installation of four (4) decorative streetlights on Redfield Park in the Wyncrest Park District, as detailed in the attached, in an amount not to exceed $35,000, to be paid with a transfer from Assigned Fund Balance (SP11-00915) to SP11-7140-200 (Wyncrest Park District – Equipment).

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilwoman Bellamy, Councilman Fantini, Councilman Manir, Councilwoman Reid, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Daniel Clemens spoke about the project that the neighborhood park district has been working on for a couple of years to put some decorative streetlights at the entrance to the neighborhood. He received four bids and AC/DC Line Construction was the lowest, and they have done quality work for us in the past.

Resolution No.349 of 2026, a resolution authorizing the supply and installation of vinyl graphic wraps on four (4) enclosed trailers used by the Buildings and Grounds Department.

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

WHEREAS, Daniel Clemens, Director of Buildings, Parks and Recreation, solicited quotes for the supply and installation of vinyl wrap graphics on four (4) enclosed trailers used by the department, and

WHEREAS, written quotes were received on or before November 9, 2026, and

WHEREAS, AJ Sign Co. submitted the lowest conforming quote to supply and install the four (4) vinyl wraps, in an amount not to exceed $6,408, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Clemens has reviewed the quotes and recommends accepting the quote from AJ Sign Co., as detailed in the attached; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby awards the contract to AJ Sign Co., 842 Saratoga Road, Burnt Hills, NY for the supply and installation of vinyl graphic wraps on four (4) enclosed trailers used by the Buildings and Grounds Department, at a cost not to exceed $6,408, to be paid from A-07110-00022 (General Fund – Buildings & Grounds – Vehicle Expense).

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilwoman Bellamy, Councilman Fantini, Councilman Manir, Councilwoman Reid, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Daniel Clemens said that we have four trailers to have wrapped with a bold new design. He received four quotes, AJ Sign Co was the lowest, and we have been happy with their sign work in the past.

Resolution No. 350 of 2026, a resolution authorizing Change Order #1 to the existing contract with Main Line Commercial Pools, Inc. for the Barney Road Pool Liner Project.

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

WHEREAS, the Town has an existing contract with Main Line Commercial Pools, Inc., authorized by Resolution No. 246 of 2026, for improvements to the pool liner in the Town-owned pool located on Barney Road, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to authorize Change Order #1 for the caulking and grouting of all coping stones around the pool perimeter, in an amount not to exceed $15,900; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes Change Order #1 for the Barney Road Pool Liner project, in an amount not to exceed $15,900.00, to be paid from A-7150-200 (General Fund – Barney Road Pool – Equipment).

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Councilwoman Bellamy, Councilman Fantini, Councilman Manir, Councilwoman Reid, Supervisor Barrett

Noes: None

DECLARED ADOPTED

Supervisor Barrett said this is the third of the three pools to have its liner replaced recently. He said when they remove the old liner, you often find damage.

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Daniel Clemens said this is relatively minor damage, and doing the repairs now will prevent future issues with the new liner. The change order has been reviewed by the engineering firm and is very reasonable.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilwoman Reid expressed disappointment with the Board's conduct and the overall atmosphere within Town government during 2026, citing increased tension, hostility, political disagreements, and concerns regarding the treatment of employees and individuals who have expressed opposing views. She stated that the Board had an opportunity to make meaningful improvements for the community but felt that its actions had instead contributed to a divisive and toxic environment.

Councilman Manir expressed disappointment as well, that Councilwoman Reid informed him that she was told by her attorney not to speak to him.

Councilwoman Reid asked if that is why he took away her stipend.

Councilman Manir stated that he didn't take away the stipend, he kept it the same as 2026.

Councilwoman Reid reminded him that it was taken away for 2026 by the Board majority, and now they're refusing to reinstate it for next year. She stated that the money itself is not important, and is inadequate for the additional work she does, but it's the principal of the matter. She then told him that it isn't appropriate to discuss legal matters publicly, saying that the Councilman had submitted confidential information to the Town Clerk, making it public.

Councilman Manir denied having submitted anything to the Town Clerk, unless being directly requested via the FOIL process.

Councilwoman Reid asked what had gone wrong before the events in October.

Councilman Manir stated that they'd been working together fine, as evidenced by the Board meeting videos available online.

Supervisor Barrett said the tone had been set at the very first meeting, when the Board majority started with retribution. He expressed anticipation at the prospect of participating from the audience next year when he is no longer the Supervisor.

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE 10:35 P.M.

Stephane Ranze of Fairway Woods agreed with Councilwoman Reid and said that the residents of the Town are really disappointed. She is happy with the increased turnout at Board meetings so people can witness the Board's behavior firsthand. She called for future votes for the correct candidates with the right experience, since the Board works for the residents. She recalled that some had run on a platform of "If you don't like what's happening in Washington, vote for us" but stated that no resolutions passed by the Board this year had anything to do with Washington, DC.

Supervisor Barrett said the only connection he's had with Washington, DC is as a part of the 250th Anniversary of the Battle of Saratoga. He's worked to have the battlefield renamed, and that is being sent to the President's desk soon. He also spoke of recent successes with the County Board of Supervisors, namely the new 911 telecommunications, and a new homeless shelter being erected, and the upcoming 250th celebrations.

Caryl Hugg of Jonathan Drive asked Attorney Dailey if he likes to intimidate women, citing an issue in the parking lot after the prior meeting. She then asked Councilwoman Bellamy who had elected her.

Councilwoman Bellamy replied, indicating the residents of Clifton Park who were registered to vote.

Ms. Hugg directed the same question to Councilman Fantini, and when he declined to answer, she reminded him that the residents elected him. She asked him when he will start working for the residents, indicating that the Board majority had voted in opposition to what the residents in the room had expressed all evening. She then asked Councilwoman Bellamy to explain her vote on the first resolution.

Councilwoman Bellamy said that she would rather not.

Ms. Hugg then addressed the residents of the Town and asked them to keep showing up to Board meetings. Then she spoke of Attorney Dailey and stated that he represents the interests of the majority Board, and not the residents and that the residents deserve an attorney whose loyalty is to the Town and the residents and not political interests, personal agendas or self-preservation.

Ann Connolly of Valdepenas Lane stated that after the budget hearing, she had been accosted in the parking lot by Marvin LeRoy, who serves on the Town Ethics committee. She said that after the yelling had escalated, Attorney Dailey had come outside and appeared intimidating. She also shared that Mr. LeRoy said that the Board Majority had asked him to wait until January to bring up the $10 million proposal. Next, she brought up concerns about the Board's confidential secretary working as a volunteer, and wondered about confidentiality, insurance protections for the Town, as well as information security concerns with regard to her working from home. She then acknowledged that her time was up, but continued, giving her support to Councilwoman Reid.

Supervisor Barrett said that the Town has an agreement with the Union that includes elected officials and Councilman Fantini had been randomly selected for drug testing but had refused to participate.

Pam Koniszewski of Main Street asked Councilwoman Bellamy about her previous statement when asked why she is serving and asked who "they" was in her comment that "they" said she'd get her water.

Councilwoman Bellamy clarified that she hadn't referred to any "they" but that getting water service to her neighborhood was one of the reasons she had run for office.

Ms. Koniszewski continued, expressing sympathy to Councilwoman Reid on the outcome of the vote, and thanking Councilman Manir for his vote protecting Ms. Hoefer's job.

Anthony Morelli of Gloucester Street echoed comments in support of Councilwoman Reid. He expressed gratitude to Councilman Manir for listening and reflecting. He addressed Attorney Dailey and said that his proposal for the Highway Garage was a good idea, and he looked forward to further discussion.

Attorney Dailey noted that Dahn Bull was working on some grants that could allow for improvements and save some taxpayer money, perhaps pairing a long-term bond and some general fund balance.

Mr. Morelli discussed the possibility of bringing that proposal to the residents in the future. He said he was looking forward to discussing trails with Councilman Fantini and told Councilwoman Bellamy that he would like to meet with her and collaborate. He mentioned upcoming meetings with Councilmen Fantini and Manir. He reiterated his belief that the voters had elected him because they want a Board that can work together.

Councilwoman Bellamy clarified that the "they" mentioned earlier was a resident who had suggested that she was running in order to get water to her neighborhood.

Mr. Morelli said he looked forward to working with her; then thanked Councilman Manir for his earlier vote.

No one else wished to be heard.

Public Privilege closed at 10:53 P.M.

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MOTION BY Councilwomen Reid, seconded by Councilman Manir to adjourn the meeting to the next regular meeting or any other meeting necessary for the conduct of Town business.

Motion carried at 10:53 P.M.

Camilla Powell
Deputy Town Clerk

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