

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake George, NY, held at the Village Administration Building on Monday, May 5, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. Zoom teleconferencing did not get set up in time to video record.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ray Perry, Mayor
Joseph Mastrodomenico, Trustee
Jose Filomeno, Trustee
Michael Menter, Trustee

ABSENT: Alyson Miller, Trustee

Also present was Clerk Julie K. Allen, Superintendent Keith Lanfear, Chief Operator Tim Shudt, Fire Chief Jim Barber, Kelly Stevens, John Coccozza-Hill, and others via Zoom.

Mayor Perry opened the special meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Mayor Perry presented new hires for approval.

Trustee Filomeno, seconded by Trustee Mastrodomenico, offered the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 51, 2025

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves hiring of the following employees:

- **Crystal Frasier – Beautification laborer, Part-time seasonal, \$18/hour, start date 6/23/25**
- **Mark Jacobs – Beautification laborer, Part-time seasonal, \$18/hour, start date 5/7/25**
- **Scott Comstock – WWTP laborer, Full-time, \$25/hour, start date 5/14/25**
- **Philip Rockhill – WWTP laborer, Full-time, \$24/hour, start date 5/7/25**

VOTING	Ayes: 4	Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Menter
	Nays: 0	
	Absent: 1	Miller

RESOLUTION NO. 51, 2025 ADOPTED. May 5, 2025

Mayor Perry offered two individuals for appointment to the Zoning Board.

Trustee Mastrodomenico, seconded by Trustee Filomeno, offered the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 52, 2025

BE IT RESOLVED that Mayor Perry hereby makes the following new appointments effective May 6, 2025 unless otherwise noted:

Zoning Board of Appeals – Permanent Member – Dan Wolfeld
Zoning Board of Appeals – Alternate Member – John Ferrone

VOTING	Ayes: 4	Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Menter
	Nays: 0	
	Absent: 1	Miller

RESOLUTION NO. 52, 2025 ADOPTED.**May 5, 2025**

Mayor Perry presented an application for Occupancy Tax.

Trustee Mastrodomenico, seconded by Trustee Menter, offered the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 53, 2025

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees authorizes Occupancy Tax funds awards/expenditures for the 25/26 budget as follows:

- **ESTRA, Bob Gorman, June 6-8, 2025, \$7,500.**

VOTING **Ayes: 4** **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Menter**
 Nays: 0
 Absent: 1 **Miller**

RESOLUTION NO. 53, 2025 ADOPTED.**May 5, 2025**

Mayor Perry presented an email from Glen Bruening, a member of the Board of the Lake George High School Alumni Association requesting assistance from the DPW to cone off three parking spots in front of Mezzaluna to allow for pick up of dinners for a fund-raiser May 8, 2025 from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Perry, seconded by Trustee Mastrodomenico, offered the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 54, 2025

WHEREAS, the Lake George High School Alumni Association is holding a fund-raiser with Mezzaluna on May 8, 2025 from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. and has requested assistance from the Village of Lake George DPW to cone off three parking spots in front of Mezzaluna to use as pick up for food delivery;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the use of three parking spaces with no fees in front of Mezzaluna as well as assistance by DPW to cone off the area.

VOTING **Ayes: 4** **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Menter**
 Nays: 0
 Absent: 1 **Miller**

RESOLUTION NO. 54, 2025 ADOPTED.**May 5, 2025**

Mayor Perry began a discussion about purchasing a tent for use at Shepard Park until construction starts in September. He said he would like to use Occupancy Tax funds to make the purchase. He said he has three quotations from different vendors, and he would like to purchase from the lowest bidder. Trustee Menter asked him the size of the tent to which Mayor Perry responded 30x40. Trustee Menter asked if it had walls, to which the Mayor responded yes. He said that they were clear, and a valance as well. Trustee Mastrodomenico asked if the Mayor had talked to Trustee Miller about the tents and Mayor Perry responded that he had.

Trustee Menter, seconded by Trustee Filomeno offered the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 55, 2025

WHEREAS there is a need to cover the Shepard Park bandstand for the 2025 Summer season; and

WHEREAS Mayor Perry has received three bids for the purchase of a 30x40 tent with walls and a valance;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby permits Mayor Perry to award the purchase of the tent to the lowest bidder not to exceed \$19,999. with the funds coming from Occupancy Tax.

VOTING **Ayes: 4** **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Menter**
 Nays: 0
 Absent: 1 **Miller**

RESOLUTION NO. 55, 2025 ADOPTED **May 5, 2025**

Mayor Perry presented the transfers and audits.

Trustee Mastrodomenico, seconded by Trustee Filomeno, offered the following resolution for transfers and audits:

RESOLUTION NO. 56, 2025

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TRANSFERS:

From:		To:		Amount:
A.1990.0400	CONTINGENCY	A.1910.0400	INSURANCE	\$20.00
	OFF STREET		OFF STREET	
	PARKING		PARKING	
A.5650.0420	WESTBROOK	A.5650.0400	CONTRACTUAL	\$8,000.00
A.1990.0400	CONTINGENCY	A.9785.0700	INTEREST LEASE	\$1.70
F.9785.0700	INTEREST LEASE	F.9785.0600	PRINCIPAL LEASE	\$334.06
			STREET	
	ON STREET		MAINTENANCE	
	PARKING PERSONAL		PERSONAL	
A.3320.0100	SERVICES	A.5110.0100	SERVICES	\$30,000.00
	CENTRAL GARAGE		CENTRAL GARAGE	
A.1640.0400	CONTRACTUAL	A.1640.0410	ELECTRIC	\$403.99
	SOURCE OF SUPPLY		SOURCE OF SUPPLY	
F.8320.0400	CONTRACTUAL	F.8320.0410	ELECTRIC	\$1,920.92
			WATER ADMIN	
F.8310.0420	WATER ADMIN GAS	F.8310.0430	PHONE	\$217.75

			Vouchers	Checks
5/1/2025	General - Payroll	\$85,379.64	243943 - 243952	40167 - 40173
	Water - Payroll	<u>\$22,079.64</u>		
		\$107,459.28		
5/6/2025	General	\$176,841.43	243888 - 243942	
	Water	<u>\$49,604.06</u>	243953 - 243959	
	Shepard Park Gazebo	<u>\$14,250.00</u>		
		\$240,695.49		

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VOTING **Ayes: 4** **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Menter**
 Nays: 0
 Absent: 1 **Miller**

RESOLUTION NO. 56, 2025 ADOPTED **May 5, 2025**

Mayor Perry asked Kelly Stevens in the audience if she wanted to present anything to the Board. She responded that she did, she wanted to ask for permission to put up a small tent in front of Price Chopper. She said it would only be up for the summer season.

Trustee Mastrodomenico, seconded by Trustee Filomeno, offered the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 57, 2025

BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board hereby approves a temporary variance for Price Chopper at 49 Amherst Street, Lake George, NY, from the Local Law on tents. This variance will allow the property a temporary tent no larger than 12'x12' in front of the building, until the end of the Summer season, approximately October, 2025.

VOTING **Ayes: 4** **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Menter**
 Nays: 0
 Absent: 1 **Miller**

RESOLUTION NO. 57, 2025 ADOPTED **May 5, 2025**

Mayor Perry asked Chief Operator Tim Shudt if he had anything he would like to present to the Board. Chief Operator Schudt said that he would like Board approval to move a WWTP employee from his department to the DPW department with the same wage rate.

Trustee Mastrodomenico, seconded by Trustee Menter, offered the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 58, 2025

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves moving employee Darren Ross from the Sanitation department to the DPW department as a laborer. Wages and Full-Time status to remain the same.

VOTING **Ayes: 4** **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Menter**
 Nays: 0
 Absent: 1 **Miller**

RESOLUTION NO. 58, 2025 ADOPTED **May 5, 2025**

Mayor Perry presented the discussion of elected official healthcare options to the Board. He questioned whether the Board would like to change the employee handbook to allow all elected officials the option to buy in to the Village offered health care insurance at the same rate as full-time employees, 20% of cost being the portion that they would need to pay. Currently the handbook reflects that Trustees could buy into the health insurance, but at 100% of cost. There was a short discussion, and the Trustees agreed that all present and future elected officials should be given the benefit at the same rate as full-time employees.

Mayor Perry, seconded by Trustee Mastrodomenico, offered the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 59, 2025

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby approves amendments to the Village Employee Handbook as follows:

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK

Page 11:

J. Health Insurance, Prescription & Dental Coverage

HEALTH INSURANCE

6. Board Members:

~~Effective January 1, 2017 individuals who are First Time elected or appointed to the office of Mayor or Trustee will not be eligible to participate in the Village of Lake George's Health Contribution Plan, but they will be eligible to join the health insurance plan contributing 100% of the chosen plan's premium. Individuals who are elected to a different Board position, i.e., Trustee to Mayor, etc., may continue their health coverage at their current rate, uninterrupted. If a Board Member has a break in service, they will start over as a new member. (5-15-23)~~

Effective June 1, 2025 all current or future individuals who are elected or appointed to the office of Mayor or Trustee will be eligible to participate in the Village of Lake George's Health Contribution Plan, contributing 20% of the chosen plan's premium. Individuals who are elected to a different Board position, i.e. Trustee to Mayor etc., may continue their health coverage at the 20% rate, uninterrupted. If a Board member has a break in service, they will start over as a new member.

VOTING

Ayes: 4

Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Menter

Nays: 0

Absent: 1

Miller

RESOLUTION NO. 59, 2025 ADOPTED

May 5, 2025

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Mayor Perry asked if anyone else had a matter they wished to discuss to which there was no response.

There was a motion by Trustee Mastrodomenico adjourn at 4:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie K. Allen
Purchasing Agent
Village Clerk