

Minutes of the Regular Meeting and Public Hearing of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake George, NY, held on Monday, July 17, 2023 at 4:30 p.m. Zoom teleconferencing was available.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Raymond Perry, Mayor  
Jose Filomeno, Trustee  
Joe Mastrodomenico, Deputy Mayor  
Alyson Miller, Trustee  
John Root, Trustee

Also Present: Clerk Julie Allen, Superintendent Keith Lanfear, Chief Operator Tim Shudt, Attorney Matt Fuller, Fire President Doni Smith, Douglas Frost, Caton Deuso of the Post Star Frank Nestro, Hugh Sullivan, and others via Zoom.

At 4:30 p.m. Mayor Perry opened the Regular Meeting, and Trustee Root led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Perry presented the minutes from the Special Meeting held on June 6, 2023, and a Regular Meeting June 12, 2023. Trustee Root made a motion, seconded by Trustee Miller, unanimously carried to approve the minutes from the Special Meeting held on June 6, 2023 and the Regular Meeting held on June 12, 2023.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

#### **MOTION PASSED**

Mayor Perry presented the minutes from a Special Meeting held on June 26, 2023. Trustee Miller made a motion, seconded by Trustee Root, carried by a majority to approve the minutes from the Special Meeting held on June 26, 2023

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 4**      **Perry, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**  
**Abstain: 1**      **Filomeno**

#### **MOTION PASSED**

At 4:32 p.m. Mayor Perry opened the Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law No.5, 2023, Chapter 95, Docks, Article I, Public docks, regarding fees. The Public Hearing was left open.

Monthly reports from the Sanitation Department and Caldwell Sewer District, Superintendent of Public Works, Planning & Zoning Office, Fire Department, REC Center, and Events were presented and made available to the public.

Mayor Perry asked Fire President Doni Smith to speak regarding the request from the Fire Department to authorize switching use on fire vehicles. Doni Smith said the Fire Department is requesting to use the current Rescue 134 and designate it for use by the 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Fire Chief (making it Vehicle 231). They would then like to have the 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief use one of the two department Tahoe's for his vehicle. To Replace Rescue 134, the Fire Department would use a recently purchased Chevrolet ¾ ton pick up truck.

Mayor Perry asked who owns the Chevrolet ¾ ton truck. Doni Smith said the Fire Department. He asked if it was strong enough to tow the items needed. Doni Smith responded that yes, it is heavy duty enough for tow behinds.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 87, 2023**

**WHEREAS, the Village of Lake George Fire Department needed a better running vehicle for their 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Fire Chief; and**

**WHEREAS, the Fire Department recently purchased a newer model Chevrolet Pick Up Truck that can be used as the Rescue Vehicle 134;**

**BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees allows the current Rescue Vehicle 134 to be used as the 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Fire Chiefs vehicle, while the newer Chevrolet Pick Up Truck will be used as the Rescue 134 Vehicle.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Fire Chief will use one of the Chevy Tahoe's as his vehicle, effective immediately.**

**VOTING      Ayes: 5      Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root  
Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 87, 2023      ADOPTED**

**July 17, 2023**

Mayor Perry presented a letter submitted by Robert Blais , constructive notice regarding a problem he is having with water run-off. Mayor Perry said that he recently met with Warren County Water and Soil and visited several locations including Mr. Blais's to look at the properties. He said that Warren County Water & Soil will be addressing each issue and sending the Village proposals on how to fix each issue. Trustee Miller asked if the Village was responsible if there was run-off into a home. Mayor Perry responded that only if it was found to be the fault of the Village. Trustee Miller asked what the timeline for the proposals was to which Mayor Perry responded a few weeks.

Mayor Perry submitted a Thank you letter to the Village from Jacalyn Warshauer of Wild Type Learning.

Mayor Perry began reading through and explaining the Resolutions up for consideration. He went through the Employee Handbook update approval and the Green County Commercial Bank Serial Bond payment. When he came to the Adirondack Car Show parking passes there was a discussion that followed.

- Adirondack Car Show Parking Passes

Trustee Root said that he has always opposed the allowance of trailers on Canada Street. He said he feels they take up too much space, sometimes even encroaching on the sidewalk because of their width. He said they use them as viewing platforms and there are a lot of open containers. Trustee Root says he knows that people have counterfeited parking passes in the past. Trustee Filomeno asked if there was a way to have unique registration numbers on the parking passes. Mayor Perry asked if we could redesign the stickers. Clerk Julie Allen said there would not be enough time to get new ones done for this year. Trustee Filomeno asked if the office could keep a log of people who purchase. Trustee Root said that because the passes are good from Tuesday through Sunday, that Canada Street becomes like a parking lot, with no turnover. Trustee Miller suggested that the passes are only good during the Car Show, Thursday through Sunday. She said she felt it was better for the businesses. Mayor Perry said that the issue had become bigger than he had planned and suggested tabling it for the next

meeting. Clerk Julie Allen said that she needed a decision on it at this meeting as there was not time enough to put the decision off another month. Clerk Allen explained that the office had already fielded several calls in the past couple months asking to purchase the passes. Trustee Filomeno asked Clerk Allen if she knew how many trailer passes were sold last year. Clerk Allen responded that she did not know, that she started working for the Village only two weeks before the Car Show last year. Trustee Root said he felt that it was more each year. Mayor Perry said that once the high price tag was made, it reduced the number of purchases. Trustee Miller said that if the trailers being parked in front of businesses is affecting their business, then the Village needs to consider not allowing them. Trustee Root said that when he had his motel, he found that people coming in with cars on their trailer would use it so they could "show off" their vehicle because they did not have to drive it home. Mayor Perry asked the Board if the consensus was that they disallow trailers on Canada Street. He asked Attorney Fuller in the audience if they could disallow trailers to which Attorney Fuller said they could. Trustee Miller said she would like the time allowed to park shortened to allow only Thursday through Friday. She said she felt this would allow customers to park and visit businesses on Tuesday and Wednesday.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 88, 2023**

**WHEREAS** the Village of Lake George hosts the Adirondack Nationals Car Show annually, and it is scheduled for September 7 through 10, 2023; and

**WHEREAS** seasonal attendees and owners wish to park their vehicles for extended periods of time, overnight and for numerous days on our public streets, and

**WHEREAS**, these vehicles occupy paid metered spaces,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake George does hereby agree to issue Parking Permits "PP's" set at the following fees:

- Passenger vehicles only \$150. each
- Trailers, Roll Offs, and Flatbeds cannot park on Canada Street.
- Trailers or any other vehicles using more than one parking space \$150./space used.
- Trailers can be parked at the REC Center for \$25. each.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the PP's will be valid Thursday September 7, 2023 through Sunday, September 10, 2023 only.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 88, 2023 ADOPTED.**      **July 17, 2023**

Mayor Perry continued reviewing the Resolutions to consider.

- Employee Handbook Update Approval

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 89, 2023**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Board of Trustees has reviewed the updated Employee Handbook and approves it for distribution all employees, and;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that is it to be effective immediately.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 89, 2023      ADOPTED**      **July 17, 2023**

- Green County Commercial Bank Serial Bond Payment

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 90, 2023**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village of Lake George Board of Trustees hereby authorizes payment to Green County Commercial Bank for the total amount of \$35,690.76. \$33,047 from account #A.9710.0600 and \$2,643.76 from account #A.9710.0700 for the Serial Bond for the Fire Rescue Truck A#02313886.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 90, 2023 ADOPTED.**      **July 17, 2023**

- E100 John Deere Mower – scrap

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 91, 2023**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Board of Trustees hereby declares the E100 John Deere Mower with a blown mower and obsolete parts as scrap surplus and permits sale of the scrap to Bill Ovitt in the amount of \$20.00.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 91, 2023 ADOPTED.**      **July 17, 2023**

- Surplus Ford Escape & Cummings Generator for auction

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 92, 2023**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Board of Trustees hereby declares the 2009 Blue Ford Escape and Cummings Generator as surplus and wishes to sell them via public auction.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 92, 2023 ADOPTED.**      **July 17, 2023**

- Robert Blais marriage official

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 93, 2023**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees hereby appoints Robert M. Blais as the Marriage Officer for the Village of Lake George, effective immediately.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 93, 2023 ADOPTED.**      **July 17, 2023**

- Beth Gillis - Northern Borders

A Resolution authorizing that Mayor Raymond Perry is empowered to act on behalf of The Village of Lake George as the **Authorized Official**.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 94, 2023**

**Resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake George as follows:**

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Lake George has been awarded \$500,000 for the Village of Lake George Wastewater Treatment Plant project;

**NOW THEREFORE**, Mayor Raymond Perry is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Village of Lake George, to accept and expend grant funds from the Northern Borders Regional Commission. The named authorized official has permission to sign all NBRC investment documents that bind the applicant.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 94, 2023 ADOPTED.**      **July 17, 2023**

- Mayor Perry permission to sign Grant Application

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 95, 2023**

**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT A NYS WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT ACT (WIIA) FUNDING APPLICATION ON OR BEFORE JULY 28, 2023 TO SUPPORT THE REGIONAL SEWER UPGRADES & WATERSHED PROTECTION PROJECT AND PLEDGE USE OF CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND PROCEEDS TO COVER THE NON-WIIA PORTION OF THE TOTAL PROJECT COSTS IF THE PROPOSED WIIA GRANT IS AWARDED.**

WHEREAS, the Village of Lake George (Village) owns and operates a municipal wastewater treatment and collection system serving residents and businesses within the entire Village and part of the Town of Lake George, within Warren County, New York; and

WHEREAS, the Village has determined that both the wastewater treatment plant in the Town of Lake George and the Shepard Park Pump Station in the Village need certain upgrades to operate properly and improve wastewater services for the Lake George-Lake Champlain Watershed, including being able to handle and treat additional septage waste and to replace obsolete and deteriorated equipment at the Pump Station; and

WHEREAS, the Village has determined that this transmission main replacement project does not require or involve the formation of any new water districts and does not involve the extension of water service to any properties outside or inside the Village that are not already connected to the existing water distribution system; and

WHEREAS, the Village has authorized the completion of two Engineering Reports with respect to the septage capacity upgrades at the Wastewater Treatment Plan and the Shepard Park Pump Station equipment improvements, and those Reports have been submitted to the Village for review and comments; and

WHEREAS, the Village is seeking grant assistance through the Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA) administered by the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) for final design and construction of the Regional Sewer Upgrades & Watershed Protection Project as described above and in the Village's WIIA Application; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Lake George intends to fund the non-WIIA portion of the proposed Project Budget through a pending Water Quality Improvement Program (WQIP) Grant through the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and State Grant and Loan financing through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) and/or any local capital reserves necessary to fund upfront costs before short-term SRF and awarded grant funds are awarded and made available; now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Village of Lake George Board of Trustees authorizes Mayor Raymond Perry to certify the 2023 WIIA Application documents and submit the WIIA Application on behalf of the Village of Lake George to the EFC on or before July 28, 2023.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root  
                  **Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 95, 2023 ADOPTED.**      **July 17, 2023**

- Doug Frost, 40" Encumbrance on Village Sidewalk

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 96, 2023**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Village Board hereby approves to Doug Frost of the Tom Tom Shop, a relief encumbrance of 40", on the Village Sidewalk, from Local Law 186-7 A. This allows for an open position of the front door. The Village requirements from Doug Frost are to be listed as additional insured as well as a Hold Harmless Agreement.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root

**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 96, 2023 ADOPTED.**

**July 17, 2023**

- KSPE asset management plan

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 97, 2023**

**WHEREAS** the Wastewater Plant is in need of an asset management plan to track and maintain all hardware at the facility;

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Board hereby approves a proposal in the amount of \$22,000. from KSPE for Professional Services to prepare an asset management plan for the Village Sewer Department.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Village Board authorizes payment from the budgeted amount from account A.8130.0210.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Blais, Earl, Mastrodomenico, Perry, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023 ADOPTED.**

**July 17, 2023**

- WWTP Payments

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 98, 2023**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Board authorizes payment to be processed for the WWTP capital project for EFC Payment Requests, which currently includes: Uline, Hach, Stilsing Electric, and Blue Heron Construction among other vendors, and any other request that comes in prior to the next Village Board meeting. Upon receipt of the transfer of funds from EFC, checks will be issued at the next available payroll/audit.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 98, 2023 ADOPTED.**

**July 17, 2023**

- Reimbursement authorization for Bereavement Flowers to Doni Smith

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 99, 2023**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake George, NY hereby authorizes reimbursement to Raymond Perry in the amount of \$123.57 for purchase of bereavement flowers to a member of the Village of Lake George Fire Department.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 99, 2023 ADOPTED.**      **July 17, 2023**

Mayor Perry presented the request from Fire Chief Brandon Combs to allow some change orders to the new Ladder Truck that is being built. He explained that the changes are a result of visiting the facility where the Ladder Truck is being built. Mayor Perry said that his understanding is that the total cost of the change order would be \$25,842. He suggested that he would like to have the manufacturer come to visit and present the changes to the Village Board. Mayor Perry said that he would also like to see what the Town of Lake George decides to do at their Board Meeting.

Trustee Root, seconded by Trustee Filomeno, made a motion to table.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**MOTION PASSED**

Mayor Perry presented a letter of support to NYSDEC. He explained that it was in support of their application for the Queensbury MS4 Vacuum Truck grant in partnership with the Town of Queensbury.

Trustee Root, seconded by Trustee Miller, offered the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 100, 2023**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake George hereby authorizes Mayor Perry to sign a letter of support to NYSDEC for the application of a grant to fund the purchase of a MS4 Vacuum Truck.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 100, 2023 ADOPTED.**      **July 17, 2023**

Mayor Perry explained that the Village was applying for Grants to fund Sewer Facility Improvements. He said that there was a July 28 deadline to submit and one of the last things they needed to complete the application was the SEQRA. Mayor Perry asked Attorney Fuller to present the SEQRA forms to the Board. Attorney Fuller said that he had gone through and marked his suggested answers to each question, but that the Board needed to go through and read and determine their answers for themselves. Mayor Perry then read through the SEQRA and answered each the suggested response for the Boards approval.

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

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES, VILLAGE OF LAKE GEORGE  
COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW YORK**

Resolution 101 of 2023/2024

Introduced by Trustee Filomeno  
Seconded by Trustee Root

**RESOLUTION CLASSIFYING PROPOSED ACTION AND RENDERING DETERMINATIONS  
PURSUANT TO THE NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT  
("SEQRA")**

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Lake George (the "Village") is the owner of certain sanitary sewer treatment facilities including pump stations, collection lines and a publicly owned treatment works for the treatment of sanitary sewer in the Village; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village's sewer operator has been working with engineers for the Village concerning proposed improvements to the Village's sewer facilities, consisting of reconstruction Shepard Park pump station roof, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and wastewater equipment in the wet well, and certain force main valves, and added storage, equalization tank improvements and grit removal for septic handling, together with equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith (the "Project"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees (the "Board") has been presented with and reviewed engineering reports titled "Village of Lake George Shepard Park Pump Station and Force Main Improvement Project" by KSPE engineers, and "Septage Handling Engineering Report" by C.T. Mal Associates (the "Projects"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Projects are actions as defined in the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), 6 NYCRR §617.1 et. seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, a Full Environmental Assessment Form ("FEAF") has been drafted and provided to the Board pursuant to SEQRA; and

**WHEREAS**, in reviewing the EAF, the Board classifies the action as an unlisted action in that the Project is neither a Type I action pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.4, nor a Type II action pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.5; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board will review the Projects in accordance with 6 NYCRR §617.6(b)(4) for uncoordinated review for unlisted actions.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT:**

**RESOLVED**, that the Board has reviewed the FEAF and the questions on Part II of the FEAF, and after reviewing same and taking a hard look at potential environmental impacts, finds:

1. While the Projects will involve construction on and the physical alteration of land, the area of the Projects is previously disturbed as part of the Village's sewer system, and therefore impacts are minimal.
2. No impacts to geological features, or surface water are noted.
3. As to impacts to groundwater, it is noted that the Village employs absorption beds as part of its sanitary sewer treatment. These beds ultimately percolate treated wastewater into the soil and groundwater. While the Projects are part of the Village's sewer system and therefore involve these absorption beds, the Projects do not increase or introduce additional contaminants to groundwater.
4. No impacts to flooding, air, plants or animals, agricultural resources, or aesthetic resources, are noted.
5. While the Village is a historic area with archeological resources, such resources are not known to be in the vicinity of the work involved with the Projects. The Board notes that the Village received correspondence

from NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (SHPO) noting that the Projects do not appear to impact historic or archaeological resources. Those letters are included in the record on this matter.

6. No impacts to open space or recreation, transportation, energy, noise, odor or light, human health or community plans, are noted.
7. While Lake George is a critical environmental area, the Projects involve work intended to benefit this critical environmental area. Thus, no negative impacts are noted.
8. The Projects do not have the potential to result in one or more adverse environmental impacts. The septic receiving portion of the Projects is intended to provide net environmental benefits by allowing treatment of septic from private septic systems. Septic treatment is needed in the region where the Village is located, and these upgrades and improvements will provide an environmental benefit. As to the Shepard Park pump station improvements, the pump station being located in close proximity to Lake George requires maintenance and upkeep. Preparing for improvements now will benefit the environment by protecting against future equipment failures;

and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that based on the review of the FEA and the above analysis, the Board hereby declares that the Projects will not have the potential for one or more environmental impacts, and hereby adopts a negative declaration in accordance with 6 NYCRR §617.7; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 101, 2023 ADOPTED.**      **July 17, 2023**

Attorney Fuller went on to explain the paperwork presented by the Villages Bond Council Larry Paltrowitz drafted. He explained that to apply for the grants, the Village must first adopt a serial bond resolution. Mayor Perry explained that the Grants that the Village is applying for should in essence pay for the project fully if approved.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 102, 2023**

**At a regular meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Lake George, in the County of Warren, held at the Village Administration Building in Lake George, New York, in said Village, on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023 at 4:30 P.M., Prevailing Time.**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ray Perry, and upon roll being called, the following were:

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Raymond Perry, Mayor Jose Filomeno, Trustee Joe Mastrodomenico, Trustee Alyson Miller, Trustee John Root, Trustee
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**ABSENT:**

**SERIAL BOND RESOLUTION DATED JULY 17, 2023**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$7,000,000 SERIAL BONDS OF THE VILLAGE OF LAKE GEORGE, WARREN COUNTY, NEW YORK FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE VILLAGE'S SEWER FACILITIES, INCLUDING RECONSTRUCTION OF THE SHEPARD PARK PUMP STATION ROOF, MECHANICAL, ELECTRICAL, PLUMBING, AND WASTEWATER EQUIPMENT IN THE WET WELL AND CERTAIN FORCE MAIN VALVES, AND ADDED STORAGE, EQUALIZATION TANK IMPROVEMENTS, AND GRIT REMOVAL FOR SEPTAGE HANDLING, TOGETHER WITH EQUIPMENT, MACHINERY, APPARATUS, APPURTENANCES AND INCIDENTAL IMPROVEMENTS AND EXPENSES IN CONNECTION THEREWITH (THE "PROJECT")**

**WHEREAS, on July 17, 2023 the Board of Trustees of the Village Board of the Village of Lake George desires to authorize the improvement of the Village's Sewer Facilities, including reconstruction of the Shepard Park pump station roof, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and wastewater equipment in the wet well, and certain force main valves, and added storage, equalization tank improvements and grit removal for septage handling, together with equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith (the "Project"), and to provide for the financing thereof, at a maximum cost of \$7,000,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary to be paid from the proceeds of the obligations issued pursuant to the Local Finance Law,**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

**1. The Village Board of the Village of Lake George, Warren County, New York, hereby authorizes the improvement of the Village's Sewer Facilities, including reconstruction of the Shepard Park pump station roof, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and wastewater equipment in the wet well, and certain force main valves, and added storage, equalization tank improvements and grit removal for septage handling, together with equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith (the "Project") at a maximum cost of \$7,000,000.**

**2. The specific object or purpose for which obligations are to be issued pursuant to this resolution is the improvement of the Village's Sewer Facilities, including reconstruction of the Shepard Park pump station roof, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and wastewater equipment in the wet well, and certain force main valves, and added storage, equalization tank improvements and grit removal for septage handling, together with equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith (the "Project").**

**3. The current maximum cost of the aforesaid specific object or purpose of this resolution is \$7,000,000, and the plan for the financing thereof is the issuance of serial bonds of said Village hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Finance Law, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from funds of the Village. Such bonds are to be payable from amounts which shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property in said Village, and the faith and credit of said Village of Lake George, Warren County, New York, are hereby pledged for the payment of said bonds and the interest thereon.**

**4. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid specific object or purpose of this resolution is thirty (30) years, pursuant to subdivision 4 of Paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law.**

**5. It is hereby determined that the proposed maturity of the obligations authorized herein will be in excess of five (5) years.**

**6. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell serial bonds and bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the serial bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the Mayor of the Village of Lake George,**

as the designated chief fiscal officer for this resolution, or in his absence, the Treasurer, who is the substituted designated chief fiscal officer, and in her absence, the Village Clerk, who is the substituted designated chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner, as may be determined by said Village Mayor, Treasurer or Village Clerk pursuant to and consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

7. This resolution is adopted subject to a permissive referendum pursuant to Section 36 of the Local Finance Law and Article 9 of the Village Law of the State of New York.

8. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:

a. Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said Board of Trustees is not authorized to spend money; or

b. The provisions of law which should be complied with as of the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of such publication; or

c. Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

9. This notice and resolution shall be published in full within ten (10) days after its adoption in the Post Star, which is hereby designated as the official newspaper of the Village for such purpose. This resolution shall take effect thirty (30) days after its adoption and thereafter shall be published in full in The Post Star, together with a notice of the Village Clerk substantially in the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

VOTING	Yes	John Root, Trustee
VOTING	Yes	Joe Mastrodomenico, Trustee
VOTING	Yes	Alyson Miller, Trustee
VOTING	Yes	Jose Filomeno, Trustee
VOTING	Yes	Raymond Perry, Mayor

**RESOLUTION NO. 102, 2023 ADOPTED**

**July 17, 2023**

Mayor Perry called for a short recess at 5:32 p.m.

Mayor Perry called the meeting back to order at 5:36 pm

Mayor Perry presented the special events and facilities use applications for review. Trustee Miller asked if we should consider raising pricing. Mayor Perry said that he would like to for the 2024 season.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 103, 2022**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Board hereby approves the following Special Event/Facilities use contingent upon receipt of all fees, insurance and other necessary documents:

Charles R Wood

- Adirondack Jeep Invasion, Jamie Longmuir, June 14&15, 2024, 5-10 p.m.  
Rec Center

- **Wild Type Learning, Jacalyn Warshauer, Mondays, August 28 - November 13, 2023, 8 a.m.- 1 p.m.**

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 103, 2023 ADOPTED.**      **July 17, 2023**

Mayor Perry explained that there was a request for OCC Tax in the amount of \$3,500. from Fish 307. He went on to say they have not held a fishing derby since Covid hit so it is like they are starting over.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 104, 2023**

**BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees authorizes Occupancy Tax funds awards/expenditures for the 23/24 budget as follows:**

**King George Fishing Derby, September 15-17, 2023, for \$3,500.**

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 104, 2023 ADOPTED.**      **July 17, 2023**

Mayor Perry presented the request to make one seasonal employee full-time as well as adding another full-time position to the Beautification/DPW department. Mayor Perry asked Superintendent Lanfear to speak regarding making Brian Hopkins full-time. Superintendent Lanfear said that Mr. Hopkins is a very hard worker and an asset to the Village. Mayor Perry explained that in the past few weeks both departments had more work than they could complete. He went on to say that there was increased revenue in the General Fund due to keeping parking meters collecting fees during the winter months. He said that the money they had generated would more than cover adding an additional full-time employee.

Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Root, offered the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 105, 2023**

**BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves a change in status/hiring making following employee a full time, permanent employee:**

- **Brian Hopkins, DPW/Rec Center, \$20/hour.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of the Village of Lake George approves adding another position to the DPW/Beautification department. The position would be full-time permanent.**

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 105, 2023 ADOPTED.**      **July 17, 2023**

Mayor Perry explained that there were two requests for employee training submitted.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 106, 2023**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Board approves the following employees to attend the following training:

- Clerk Julie Allen to attend SAMPO, October 11-13, 2023, at Fort William Henry, \$195.
- Andrew Kahlenbeck, CDL Training, WSWHE Boces, \$1,375.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 106, 2023 ADOPTED.**      **July 17, 2023**

Mayor Perry explained that every year the Board votes on Beautification Award winners in both the residential and commercial categories. He explained that each Trustee should send nominations to Clerk Julie Allen by August 14 to be voted on at the August 21, 2023 meeting.

Mayor Perry said that he didn't recall doing a Business of the Year Award. He told the Board members to think about if they want to do it, and the Board can revisit it at the next meeting.

Mayor Perry explained to the Board that with the approval of Local Law 4, for Condominiums, the fee that the Village would charge was not addressed as well as what category it would be listed under. The Mayor went on to say that the Village wants to keep it under the Accommodations category with a fee of \$125. The Board would only need to approve the fee but if they want to add a new category and change to another fee, then there would need to be a local law amendment to do so. Mayor Perry said that he recommends using the accommodations fee for the time being.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 107, 2023**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake George approves the Fees for Condominiums to be \$125. and listed under the Accommodations Fees.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 107, 2023 ADOPTED.**      **July 17, 2023**

Mayor Perry returned to the Public Hearing and Proposed Local Law 5, Chapter 95, Article I, Public Docks. Mayor Perry asked if there were any questions, to which there was no response. At 5:53 p.m. Mayor Perry closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Trustee Mastrodomenico, seconded by Trustee Miller, carried unanimously, to make a Negative Declaration on SEQR, stating that there was no significant adverse impact on the Village of Lake George in adoption of Proposed Local Law No.5, 2023 amending Chapter 95 Article I, Public Docks, of the Code of the Village of Lake George.

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**LOCAL LAW NO. 5, 2023 ADOPTED**      **July 17, 2023**

Motion by Trustee Mastrodomenico, seconded by Trustee Miller, to adopt proposed Local Law No. 5 amending Chapter 95 Article I, "Public Docks."

**Village of Lake George  
Proposed Local Law No. , 2023  
Amending Chapter §95 Docks  
Article I Public Docks**

**Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees as follows:**

**§1. § 95-1 Regulations for dock use is being amended as follows:**

Docks on Lake George owned by the Village shall be used by owners of pleasure boats according to the rules and regulations prescribed by this chapter, to wit:

**A.** Boats or watercraft used for hire or commercial purposes are prohibited from utilizing the docks for any purpose. [Amended 3-19-2012 by L.L. No. 2-2012; 9-17-2018 by L.L. No. 9-2018; 7-15-2019 by L.L. No. 4-2019; 8-17-2021 by L.L. No. 7-2021]

**B.** The following Charges shall apply to all boats moored at the Village docks at any time of day: \$3 per hour, per boat, The charges shall be per boat, with a minimum one-hour charge of \$3. [Amended 3-20-2017 by L.L. No. 4-2017]

**C.** No boat may be moored for a period longer than 20 consecutive hours. [Amended 3-19-2012 by L.L. No. 2-2012; 9-17-2018 by L.L. No. 9-2018]

**D.** Operators of boats moored shall be responsible to display a "pay and display" receipt on the windshield or dashboard of their boat on the dockside of the vessel in clear sight of viewers. Only "pay and display" purchased at the kiosk for boats may be displayed on any boat. [Amended 9-17-2018 by L.L. No. 9-2018; 8-17-2021 by L.L. No. 7-2021]

**E.** No boats or watercraft of any description, except those authorized by the Village Board of Trustees, e.g., police, fire, special event vessels, shall be moored between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. daily. [Added 6-21-2010 by L.L. No. 9-2010; amended 3-9-2012 by L.L. No. 2-2012; 9-17-2018 by L.L. No. 9-2018]

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Explanation: New Material is underlined. Deleted Material is in [brackets.]

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**LOCAL LAW NO. 5, 2023 ADOPTED**      **July 17, 2023**

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 108, 2023**

**JULY 2023 WATER CHANGES**

**JULY PENALTIES**      **\$484.81**

**The above resulted in the following Journal Entries:**

DR F0350 WATER RECEIVABLE	\$484.81
CR F2148 WATER PENALTIES	\$484.81

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 108, 2023 ADOPTED.**      **July 17, 2023**

Trustee Mastrodomenico, seconded by Mayor Perry, offered the following resolution for the Transfers and Audits:

**RESOLUTION NO. 109, 2023**

**7/17/2023**

**TRANSFERS:**

<b>From:</b>		<b>To:</b>		<b>Amount:</b>
A1210.22	Mayor Inventory	A1210.4	Mayor Contr. Voucher Numbers	\$1,000.00 Checks
6/15/2023	General Water	\$109,833.80 \$16,106.13 \$125,939.93	240066-240080	37971-37977
6/29/2023	General Water Sewer Improv (HK)	\$112,068.89 \$25,786.07 \$17,359.42 \$155,214.38	240081-240111	37978-37988
7/13/2023	General Water	\$174,778.04 \$11,878.73 \$186,656.77	240191-240222	37989-37995
7/17/2023	General Water	\$163,494.37 \$32,504.08 \$195,998.45	240112-240190 240201-240220 240223-240257	

CK# 37380 voided for \$95.04 replaced with ck#37428

CK# 37411 voided for \$255.60 replaced with ck#37429

Payroll ck#37436 voided

Payroll ck# 37444 voided

Check run 37446-37682 voided and shredded; printer issues 4/18/23

Payroll cke37767 voided

Cks #37768 & 37769 voided replaced with #37773

Payroll ck#37782

Ck# 37043 voided not replaced Tech II      \$430.00

Ck#37743 voided replaced w/ ck#37873

Payroll ck# 37925 voided

Payroll ck# 37975 voided

Payroll ck#37986 voided

Payroll ck#37994 voided

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 5**      **Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root**  
**Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 109, 2023 ADOPTED.****July 17, 2023**

Mayor Perry asked Trustee Root to present the information he had on trash receptacles. Trustee Root said that he had met with a company called Big Belly. He said that the company offers both rental and purchase programs. He said that the receptacles have a compactor in them to help hold up to three times the amount of trash. He said they are enclosed and have different sizes. Trustee Root said that he believes the Town has already agreed to getting five of them to place on Betty Little Boulevard. Trustee Miller said she reached out to the Mayor of Cooperstown who is using Big Belly receptacles and was told that they love the system. The cost to purchase would range from \$3,800. to \$8,000. The cost to lease would range from \$92./month to \$189./month. Trustee Root said that this would most likely be something the Board would have to wait for the next Budget if it was decided the Board wanted to try.

Superintendent Lanfear suggested a different option of purchasing a small dumpster truck instead. He said that if the Village had its own dumpster truck there would be less handling of the trash and be less time-consuming. Mayor Perry asked Superintendent Lanfear to price out some options. Trustee Miller said that the reason Cooperstown went with the enclosed trash can was because of the Boston Marathon bombing and the fact that they are safer. Trustee Root asked about the large amount of trash down around the parasailing and boat rentals. Mayor Perry said that it was found to be because someone had moved one of the trash cans away from where it was supposed to be. He said the can had been moved back and the issue resolved. Mayor Perry asked Superintendent Lanfear to see if there would be any grants available for purchasing a dump truck. Superintendent Lanfear said he would check.

Mayor Perry said that currently the Village only allows the use of A Frame's on personal property but that perhaps the Board should consider disallowing them or excluding the use during a designated time. He said that people are putting them out, leaving them, or using more of them than is permitted. Trustee Filomeno said some of them are terrible looking.

Mayor Perry said that Wood Park looked very overgrown and needed a lot of work in recent weeks. He said that the Village sent over a large group of employees, the Town sent seven employees, and even the County sent four workers to get it back into shape. He said that it now looks very nice and he wanted to thank everyone for a job very well done. He said that they took pictures and that there will be an article in the paper showing the difference.

Mayor Perry asked the department heads if there was anything they wanted to share. Chief Operator Tim Shudt said that they had the DEC Inspection and that it had passed. He said that he had seen an improvement in our air delivery system at the plant. He said that there are bugs, but there was definite improvement, and the bugs can be fixed by internal programming. Mayor Perry asked how many haulers he receives in a day to which Operator Shudt responded fourteen or fifteen a day.

Superintendent Lanfear said that the Water Capacity Study had been completed and that we had just received the reports. He said that the five-year spill prevention study has also been completed and is awaiting the report. Superintendent Lanfear went on to explain that the old blue Ford Escape has died and they are now down a vehicle. He explained that the new Ford Escape that is coming has been delayed due to the availability of front wheel drive. He said that it will be another few months at least to get the vehicle. He said that if the Village would approve changing the vehicle to a Four-Wheel Drive, he could get the vehicle within a week and the cost would only increase \$3000., still well under his budgeted amount.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 110, 2023**

**WHEREAS, the Village of Lake George has already approved the purchase of a new Ford Escape in the amount of \$29,500; and**

**WHEREAS, the old 2009 Ford Escape is now inoperable, and has made the DPW a vehicle short; and**

**WHEREAS, the lead time to get the front wheel drive vehicle has increased and is now not available for a few more months; and**

**WHEREAS, Autosaver Ford has a four-wheel drive Ford Escape available immediately for an additional cost \$3000., still well under the Budgeted amount;**

**BE IT RESOLVED the Board of the Village of Lake authorizes the additional cost of \$3000 for a four-wheel drive Ford Escape that can be purchased immediately.**

**VOTING      Ayes: 5      Perry, Filomeno, Mastrodomenico, Miller, Root  
Nays: 0**

**RESOLUTION NO. 110, 2023 ADOPTED.      July 17, 2023**

Mayor Perry asked each Trustee if they had anything they would like to add.

Trustee Filomeno said that he would like to thank Canada for their bacon and a few actors, but not for their smoke.

Trustee Root said that he was very impressed by the drone show.

There was a motion by Trustee Mastrodomenico to adjourn at 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie K Allen  
Village Clerk