

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake George, NY, held on Monday, May 18, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. This meeting was held during the COVID-19 virus outbreak and public attendance was prohibited. The public was allowed access via Zoom teleconferencing which was publicized on the Village's web site.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Blais, Mayor
John Earl, Deputy Mayor
Joseph Mastrodomenico, Trustee
John Root, Trustee
Ray Perry, Trustee

Also Present: Clerk Debra McKinney, Keith Lanfear, John Carr, Danae Bock, Dan Barusch, Sasha Pardy, Thom Randall, Mike Congel and several others.

At 11:00 a.m. Mayor Blais opened the Regular Meeting and asked Trustee Earl to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Blais presented the minutes from a Special Meeting held on May 4, 2020. Trustee Root made a motion, seconded by Trustee Mastrodomenico, unanimously carried, to approve the May 4, 2020 Meeting minutes.

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

MOTION PASSED.

Monthly reports from the Fire Department, Superintendent of Public Works, REC Center, and Teen Center were presented and made available to the public.

The following resolutions were considered:

- M & L Duffy, LLC Renew Lease Agreement for encroachment for their seating area and planter/sign location.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 37, 2020

WHEREAS, Mickey & Linda Duffy wish to renew their lease agreement for the encroachments because their setbacks do not meet the requirements for the two parcels Tax Map Nos. 251.14-3-35 and 251.14-3-36 and;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby approves and authorizes Mayor Blais to sign a new five-year term lease agreement with M & L Duffy, LLC and 320 Canada Street LLC for three encroachments, two on Tax Map No. 251.14-3-36, to place a sign near the sidewalk for their deli located at 320-324 Canada Street, and a new outside deck for the Shop at the same location, plus another outside deck for the Bank Café on Tax Map No. 251.14-3-35;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this license to encroach will only be valid if both properties remain under the same ownership;

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the rent for the premises will be an annual fee of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), payable at the commencement of the lease and then payable as directed by the Lessor on or before May 1, annually.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 37, 2020 ADOPTED. **May 18, 2020**

- Warren County Occupancy Tax Agreement

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

RESOLUTION NO. 38, 2020

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Lake George would like to enter into an agreement with the County of Warren For Tourism Promotion and Tourist and Convention Development Funds for a share of the 2020 Occupancy Tax revenues.

WHEREAS the Occupancy Tax Coordination Committee has approved the 2020 Occupancy Tax Spending Plan approved on February 21, 2020, and the County will disburse the sum of One Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$145,000.), payable within thirty days of execution of the intermunicipal agreement in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Agreement;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby approves and authorizes Mayor Blais to execute the agreement with the County of Warren on behalf of the Village of Lake George for the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 38, 2020 ADOPTED. **May 18, 2020**

- Holland Company Sales Contract

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

RESOLUTION NO. 39, 2020

BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board authorizes Mayor Blais to sign an agreement for the purchase of EPIC WW58 from Holland Company at a cost of \$1.90 per gallon, with the price to remain the same for the period June 15, 2020 through June 14, 2021.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 39, 2020 ADOPTED. **May 18, 2020**

- Insurance Renewal

Mayor Blais noted that the Village's insurance policy with NYMIR through Upstate Agency is due for renewal on June 1, 2020. The new premium is a 2.89% increase. It was noted that due to the cancellation of many summer time events, the premium is being requoted and will probably be reduced. Clerk Deb McKinney commented that a Cyber Risk policy is being offered through Travelers as well at an additional cost of about \$3,400. It was decided to remove the cyber coverage from consideration and get further information and a recommendation on that

portion for later review.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 40, 2020

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby authorizes Mayor Blais to sign the 2020-2021 agreement with Upstate Insurance Agency for our Village insurance with NYMIR.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 40, 2020 ADOPTED. May 18, 2020

- Second Chance Opportunities

Mayor Blais reported that because of the cancellation of many activities, we have submitted a much reduced schedule for the Second Chance staffing, and we are awaiting a quote. We will mostly need female staff from them for our restrooms. Last year's contract cost was about \$117,000.; it will be much less than that this year. Mayor Blais noted that their staff monitors and keeps the restrooms clean as well as keeping the streets, the walkway and park picked up. He commented that they did a tremendous job for us last year. He asked that the Board approve and allow him to sign the contract when it comes through so that they can start at the end of the week.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 41, 2020

WHEREAS, Second Chance Opportunities has offered a proposal for staffing for seasonal cleaning for the Village, and it meets the needs of the Village;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees authorizes Mayor Blais to sign an agreement with Second Chance Opportunities and New York State Industries for the Disabled, Inc. allowing them to forward it to New York State OGS for price approval.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 41, 2020 ADOPTED. May 18, 2020

- MS4 Annual Report Filing

Superintendent Lanfear prepared and submitted for presentation the Annual MS4 report. Stormwater activities throughout the year to March of 2020 are accounted for in this report. The report has been posted on the Village's website and after Board approval will be submitted to NYS DEC.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 42, 2020

WHEREAS, the Lake George Planning and Zoning Office has developed the 2020 MS4 Annual Report as a requirement under New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) General Permit for MS4 Stormwater Discharge #GP-0-15-003;

WHEREAS, the MS4 Annual Report details progress made on the Village's SWMP Plan, which was created to address stormwater education, outreach and implementation of standards and goals to control stormwater discharges throughout the Village and to use best management practices (BMPs) to reach these goals;

WHEREAS, the Village of Lake George had placed on their website on April 9, 2020 a Notice for Availability of Review (NAR) for the MS4 Annual Report, as well as a downloadable document of the MS4 Annual Report for a 30 day public comment period, and no comments were received;

WHEREAS, the Village of Lake George will notify the New York DEC to record the Village's approval of the 2020 MS4 Annual Report, and will submit the Annual Report to DEC upon execution of this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Lake George approves the 2020 Village of Lake George Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Annual Report and authorizes Mayor Blais to sign the report and the Superintendent to notify the DEC of the approval and submit a copy of the report.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 42, 2020 ADOPTED. May 18, 2020

- Nexamp Contract

Mayor Blais announced that we are ready to sign a contract with Nexamp for the community solar subscription for the electrical accounts with National Grid. The Town will be signing an agreement with them as well. A state bid for solar was done and Dan Barusch solicited the five selected vendors for quotes; three responded. Nexamp was the best option. The contract term is "Pay As You Go" and can be terminated with a three month notification, but can go as long as 25 years if we so wish.

Trustee Earl made a motion, seconded by Trustee Root, offered the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 43, 2020

WHEREAS, the Village of Lake George (the "Village") has recently been investigating the possibility of operating its government buildings off of renewable energy sources via programs such as 'Community Solar'; and

WHEREAS, the Village had consulted with the NYS Office of General Services regarding the possible bidding of such a service and was informed that such a state bid existed for statewide Community Solar for small users and local entities to utilize, which was put out by the NYS OGS on January 6th 2020, and five (5) solar contractors were selected through Award Number 23162-GR; and

WHEREAS, following the process of the required "Requests for Quotes" in the OGS Award for Community Solar, Dan Barusch, Director of Planning & Zoning, representing the Village submitted quote requests to the five selected contractors through a formal Request for Quotes which was sent to all five contractors on Friday January 31st, 2020 and was due back by Friday February 14th, 2020; and

WHEREAS, three (3) of the five selected contractors submitted quotes to the Village for subscriptions to their respective Community Solar installations, and an analysis of the quotes

was performed by the Director of Planning and Zoning with assistance from the Go Green Committee; and

WHEREAS, the lowest / best quotation was submitted by Nexamp, a Community Solar company headquartered in Massachusetts with several large solar fields in the National Grid load zone that Lake George exists within;

WHEREAS, the Director of Planning and Zoning as well as the Go Green Committee and the Village Counsel agree that Nexamp's quote will provide for the best discounted rate and total cost savings and is the most appropriate contractual obligation to sign into;

WHEREAS the subscription term is "Pay As You-Go", and can be terminated at any time with a three (3) month notification, and can be kept in effect for up to 25 years if so desired;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby agrees to accept the lowest bid of the Community Solar Request for Quotes from Nexamp,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign into agreements with Nexamp Community Solar of 101 Summer St., 2nd Floor, Boston, MA 02110 regarding the Village's subscription to the specific kW allocation proposed in the quote, at one of Nexamp's Community Solar installations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Board authorizes and directs the Village Mayor, Village Clerk, Village Treasurer, and Village Director of Planning and Zoning to sign such other documents and take such actions as are necessary to effectuate this Resolution.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 43, 2020 ADOPTED.

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The following Special Events/Facilities use applications were considered:

- Wood Park – Christian Dutcher, Americade July 17 – 27, 2020

Mayor Blais noted that Americade has been rescheduled for July 21-25, and Warren County has agreed to reduce their fees by 50% for use of Wood Park.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 44, 2020

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby approves the use of the Charles R. Wood Park Festival space for the following event with requests for an alcohol waiver contingent upon receipt of all fees, insurance and other necessary documents

- Christian Dutcher, Americade July 17 – 27, 2020

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board agrees to the reduced daily rate of \$750.;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that §148-45 to §148-48 of the Village's code will be waived for all applications hereafter referenced and indicate the sale of beer and wine on the premises during the event is hereby approved contingent upon proof of licensing from the New York State Liquor Authority, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this approval is contingent upon approval from the Warren County Board of Supervisors or the Operations and Maintenance Committee for the Park.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 44, 2020 ADOPTED. May 18, 2020

- Wood Park – Alexander Lombard, Lake George Music Festival “Drive-in Series” 2020 August 20-23 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Blais pointed out that Mr. Lombard will also be receiving the reduced rate. There is a County Committee meeting tomorrow for consideration of the drive-in events concept. Mayor Blais commented that they can fit about 150 cars in the area. Trustee Root noted that there is a note on Mr. Lombard’s application that they are requesting an additional \$12,000. in occupancy tax and that the organization needs an answer by May 27. He pointed out that they are planning to charge \$25. per car. Trustee Root stated that he is not in favor of granting them any additional occupancy funding.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 45, 2020

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby approves the use of the Charles R. Wood Park Festival space for the following event contingent upon receipt of all fees, insurance and other necessary documents:

- **Wood Park – Alexander Lombard, Lake George Music Festival “Drive-in Series” 2020 August 20-23 7:30 p.m.**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board agrees to the reduced daily rate of \$750.;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Village Board denies the request for additional Occupancy Tax funding;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this approval is contingent upon approval from the Warren County Board of Supervisors or the Operations and Maintenance Committee for the Park.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 45, 2020 ADOPTED. May 18, 2020

The following list of returning and new seasonal employees was considered:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 46, 2020

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approve hiring of the following list of employees for positions as listed:

Name	Date of Hire	Dept.	Title	Seasonal Y/N	PT/FT	6/1/2020 Pay rate
Allen Frasier	5/20/20	A6410.1	Cleaner	Y	FT	\$ 13.00
Robert Bren	5/20/20	A6410.1	Cleaner	Y	FT	\$ 13.00

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Connor Backus	5/20/20	A8510.1	Beautification Meter	Y	PT	\$ 13.00
Christopher Duval	5/18/20	A3320.1	Enforcement	Y	FT	\$ 14.00
Returning:						
Travis Dunsmore	5/20/20	A5110.1	DPW	Y	FT	\$ 13.00

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

RESOLUTION NO. 46, 2020 ADOPTED. May 18, 2020

Mayor Blais asked the Board to reconsider the previously discussed raise for the WWTP Operator Tim Shudt. He pointed out that Tim has taken on the Caldwell Sewer Administration as well as was appointed as Assistant Superintendent of Public Works. Superintendent Lanfear commented that a \$2,000. increase is an additional dollar an hour. He has handled the Caldwell Sewer District for several years, as well as he is the “go to” guy for IT. He remarked that Tim deserves the raise. Trustee Root confirmed that this request is for an additional \$2,000. over and above the originally budgeted approved raise of \$2,000. Mayor Blais commented that yes it is additional, and agreed with Keith that the employee deserves it.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 47, 2020

BE IT RESOLVED, the Village Board approved an additional \$2,000. salary increase over and above the 20/21 budgeted amount for WWTP Operator Tim Shudt effective June 1, 2020.

VOTING Ayes: 4 Blais, Earl, Mastrodomenico, Perry
Nays: 1 Root

RESOLUTION NO. 47, 2020 ADOPTED. May 18, 2020

Mayor Blais reported that the American Legion has cancelled their Memorial Day Parade. They plan to have a low-key wreath laying ceremony at the memorial in Shepard Park on May 23 instead. He suggested giving them \$250. to cover their expenses.

Mayor Blais, seconded by Trustee Earl offered the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 48, 2020

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby grants permission to the Lake George American Legion Post 374 to hold a Memorial Day wreath laying on Saturday, May 23, 2020 in Shepard Park, and the Village Board approves support in the amount of \$250.00

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

RESOLUTION NO. 48, 2020 ADOPTED. May 18, 2020

Mayor Blais presented a request from our Village Attorney Matt Fuller of Meyer, Fuller Stockwell. They are requesting a rate increase from \$150. to \$175. per hour for their services. He pointed out that their rate has remained the same since 2013, and many local attorneys
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charge as much as \$225. per hour. He noted that they are very responsive and do a great job for the Village. Trustee Root voiced his opposition citing the current state of affairs and not knowing how the revenues will be. He suggested we wait until things are more stable possibly reconsider in October.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 49, 2020

WHEREAS, Village Attorney Matthew Fuller of Meyer, Fuller, & Stockwell has requested an increase in their hourly rate, and;

WHEREAS, their rate has remained the same since 2013, and they do a good job for the Village;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby approves a new consulting rate of \$175. per hour effective June 1, 2020, for the Attorneys at Law Meyer, Fuller, & Stockwell.

**VOTING Ayes: 4 Blais, Earl, Mastrodomenico, Perry
 Nays: 1 Root**

RESOLUTION NO. 49, 2020 ADOPTED. May 18, 2020

Mayor Blais reported that there are some funds left in the General Fund fire appropriation, and generally at the end of the fiscal year any leftover funds in that account are transferred into the Reserve account for the future purchase of fire apparatus.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 50, 2020

WHEREAS, the Village of Lake George Fire Department has completed the fiscal year 2019-2020, and has unused funds estimated in the amount of \$35,000., and

WHEREAS, the Village of Lake George Fire Department requests that the unused funds be transferred into their Fire Reserve Fund for future equipment purchases,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake George, New York hereby authorizes a transfer of \$35,000., from the General Fund to the Fire Equipment Reserve.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 50, 2020 ADOPTED. May 18, 2020

The monthly water changes were approved at the May 4, 2020 meeting.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 51, 2020**TRANSFERS:**

From:		To:		Amount:
A3320.43	On Street Phone	A3320.4	On Street Contr	\$300.00
A8120.41	Sanit Sewer Elect	A8120.43	Sanit Sewer Phone	\$200.00
F8310.44	Water Veh.	F8310.4	Water Comntr.	\$1,500.00
F8310.44	Water Veh.	F8310.43	Water Phone	\$150.00
F1990.4	Contingency	F9710.7	Interest Serial bond	\$6,000.00
A3120.1	PO Pers Svce	A3320.41	On Street Uniforms	\$627.00

4/23/2020	General	\$93,485.38	201708-201736	33877-33883
	Water	<u>\$23,419.77</u>		
		\$116,905.15		
4/24/2020	Sewer Plant Improv	<u>\$232,727.18</u>	201704-201707	33872-33874
approved 4/6/20	(HK)	\$232,727.18		
5/7/2020	General	\$45,041.56		
	Water	<u>\$11,543.49</u>	201737-201742	33884-33888
		\$56,585.05		
5/18/2020	General	\$35,470.01		
	Water	\$271,860.01	201743-201838	33889-33965
	LG Watershed (HA)	\$13,373.00		
	Sewer Plant Improv	<u>\$50,220.79</u>		
	(HK)	\$370,923.81		

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

RESOLUTION NO. 51, 2020 ADOPTED. May 18, 2020

Trustee Earl made a motion, seconded by Trustee Mastrodomenico, offered the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 52, 2020

WHEREAS, in light of the recent virus outbreak, the Village Board will not be having a Special End of the Year Meeting in May, 2020 but the Village needs to make transfers and audits for the year end closing payments scheduled to be paid on May 28, 2020;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake George, NY hereby authorizes Treasurer Danae Bock to pay the end of the year bills and make the necessary transfers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Board will be notified of the exact transfers and audits and will complete the authorization via an email approval.

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

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Mayor Blais announced that there is a provision set forth that would allow the CEO of the Village to request the Governor's permission to waive interest on taxes for up to 21 days. There is no assurance that the Governor would approve. Treasurer Dannae Bock reported that the tax bills have been printed with the appropriate dates for the penalties and are ready to be mailed on May 28th. She pointed out that she's not sure how the payments would be handled if the interest is waived for 21 days. Mayor Blais commented that he's not sure how long it would take to get approval from the Governor and possibly a waiver notice could be mailed with the bills. He continued and said that there probably won't be enough time to get a response, and it might create a problem for us. Mayor Blais advised that with the Board's permission he would drop the request, with the time frame of mailing the bills and getting approval, the waiver doesn't seem practical with the Village's fiscal year of June 1.

Mayor Blais brought up the window service discussion as requested by Mike Congel again. Mayor Blais mentioned that it looks like the Capital District will meet the testing requirements for Phase 1 within a day or two. In between each new phase, they are estimating a two-week period. Mayor Blais opened the floor to discussion. Mayor Blais drafted a Recovery Program list of suggestions that will help for the merchants. If the Board approves, they could enact them by executive order. Trustee Root noted that he read the list of suggestions and received an email from John Carr with some other suggestions as well. It seems that creating a window space would be cost prohibitive. He suggested there are other ways to accommodate the businesses for example sidewalk cafes and maybe some tents set up. Mayor Blais reported that he has received many emails, some from merchants with suggestions, some criticizing us for not enforcing social distancing, some from concerned citizens about opening too early. Mayor Blais pointed out that first of all we must have a plan from the three current window service businesses about how they will comply with the Governor's orders. Mayor Blais then reviewed the draft list item by item. Following are some of the suggestions:

- Allow all existing A frame signs to stay out until June 28. Any new signs would have to be approved by the Planning Department.
- Advise Meter Enforcement that no tickets will be issued to vehicles picking up or discharging passengers to pick up products from local businesses. Mayor Blais commented that he received a request to rent four metered spaces in front of the Marriott, but Canada Street is a state highway so that would not be allowed.
- Allow restaurants to hand out menus on the streets and allow them to take orders and deliver foods and/or goods.
- Expand sidewalk sale days from five to ten events.
- Eliminate all craft shows in the Village, except for possibly the Firemen's event.
- Allow businesses that have space on their property to erect tents on approval of the Board. It would allow them to expand their seating capacity. A permit would be required. Tents could be no closer than 50' from the public sidewalk.
- Install sanitizer dispensers on poles on the street with businesses to maintain. He suggested that businesses have their own in their stores as well.
- Erect a community tent, possibly on Montcalm Street, for general use by businesses that do not have the available space to do so.

Mayor Blais noted that if the Board is in agreement with his recommendations, he would publicize these in his Spring Newsletter that will be mailed later this week.

Trustee Perry suggested that in lieu of the service windows, the business could prop the door open and set up a table for takeout and pick up of products. He also commented that any tents should be approved by the Planning Department. Mayor Blais replied that we would want a

plan by any business that wants to put up a tent. Trustee Perry also suggested that businesses be allowed signage to post phone numbers and web site information.

Dan Barusch asked to clarify about the tents and noted that businesses cannot have seating on site until Phase 3, so tents for now would just be used just to pick up products. Mayor Blais agreed.

Mayor Blais commented that the strict regulations on tents would be waived for the period of time until the "Pause" is lifted, then the orders would be rescinded.

John Carr offered gallon jugs of hand sanitizer and powder coated metal rack to dispense it to the Village at his cost.

The discussion about the list of recommendations continued about the different options that may work and what would not be allowed.

Trustee Root commented that there are some positive steps in the right direction and asked about Occupancy Tax availability now that some of the events have been cancelled. Mayor Blais replied that some of these expenses will come out of Occupancy Tax.

Mayor Blais pointed out that the Fourth of July fireworks are still scheduled, if it will be allowable to do the show. At this time the weekly shows would still need sponsors and don't seem feasible.

Trustee Root made a motion, seconded by Trustee Earl, offered the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 53, 2020

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake George, NY hereby authorizes Mayor Blais to add the list of suggestions for Recovery Mode to his Spring Newsletter as he sees fit.

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

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Mike Congel commented that it doesn't look like the window service is being supported, but he was in full support of the tent idea, and has access and offered to work with us on the commercial tents and installation.

Discussion continued about different tent options.

Gina Mintzer of the Lake George Chamber pointed out that the Visitor Center Info Booth cannot open until Phase 2. She said that when Phase 2 is allowed, they do have a plan. She would like to offer travel guides and some signage with a QR code that shows who's open and what is available. She informed the Board that the County is working on making posters about social distancing and wearing a mask that would match the artwork at the Visitor Center. More info to come in the future about that. Mayor Blais asked why couldn't they operate the walkup window possibly for Memorial Day. She agreed to follow up on that.

Mayor Blais confirmed that the Village's public restrooms would be opening tomorrow. He gave out the proposed hours of operation. Wood Park Skate Park and the playground will not be open.

Mayor Blais remarked that we have been extremely busy, and we've all got to make sacrifices and hope that people use common sense. He is working with the Sheriff's Department and asked them to help with visitors. The Village Office remains closed to the public, but will be staffed. Village employees are going back to full time staffing starting tomorrow. Dan Barusch commented that the Town Offices are starting back at 50% and it will be a few weeks before they are 100% staffed.

Clerk Deb McKinney asked the Board to consider the renewal contracts for the four Milton Cat generators. She noted that the price has increased since the last renewal three years ago. Superintendent Lanfear confirmed that although the price has increased, it is necessary to renew these contracts for preventative maintenance.

Trustee Perry made a motion, seconded by Trustee Earl, offered the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 54, 2020

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby authorizes Mayor Blais to sign the preventative maintenance contracts with Milton Cat for our four generators.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 54, 2020 ADOPTED. May 18, 2020

There was a motion by Trustee Mastrodomenico, to adjourn at 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra J. McKinney
Village Clerk