

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake George, NY, held at the Village Administration Building on Monday, January 28, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** John Earl, Deputy Mayor  
Joseph Mastrodomenico, Trustee  
John Root, Trustee  
Ray Perry, Trustee

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Robert M. Blais, Mayor

Also present were: Clerk Deb McKinney and Superintendent Dave Harrington.

At 8:35 a.m. Deputy Mayor Earl called the Special Meeting to order and confirmed that both the Winter Carnival and Americade events have been previously approved, but the Board needs to decide what the fees will be. It was noted that the Village does not usually charge the Carnival event fees. Other years the Village has paid for porta johns and some fireworks shows on their behalf for their event, but this year, the Shepard Park, Visitor Center, and Wood Park restrooms will all be open; and we will not be paying for any fireworks shows. After some discussion, the Board agreed to waive their fees.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 193, 2019**

**WHEREAS, the Village Board has previously approved the Lake George Winter Carnival to use Shepard Park for their event scheduled for weekends in February;**

**BE IT RESOLVED that they agree to waive any use fees.**

**VOTING**      **Ayes: 4**      **Earl, Mastrodomenico, Perry, Root**  
                 **Nays: 0**  
                 **Absent: 1**      **Blais**  
                                 **MOTION PASSED.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 193, 2019 ADOPTED.                      January 28, 2019**

Deputy Mayor Earl next asked the Board to review and decide what fees would be due for Americade's use of the Beach Road Parking Lot from May 31 through June 12, 2019. A portion of that time is designated as "set up and take down" time, with the actual event taking place from Monday, June 3 through Saturday, June 9. The Board inquired as to whether an application for use of Beach Road as they previously proposed would be forth coming. Superintendent Harrington has had meetings with the organization, but they are still weighing their options. After some discussion of the options such as whether to charge full cost, discounted cost, different fees based on set up or actual event, the Board came up with a per day fee schedule depending on Americade's usage.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 194, 2019**

**WHEREAS, the Village Board previously approved use of the Beach Road Parking Lot for Americade's requested dates of May 31 through June 12, 2019;**

**BE IT RESOLVED that they agree to the following fee schedule depending on their days of usage contingent upon receipt of insurance and other necessary documents:**

**For each day of the event for “actual” use of the lot will be \$2,000.  
Each day for the event “set up or take down” will be \$1,000.**

**VOTING      Ayes: 4      Earl, Mastrodomenico, Perry, Root  
                 Nays: 0  
                 Absent: 1      Blais  
                 MOTION PASSED.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 194, 2019 ADOPTED.                      January 28, 2019**

Jim Menneto submitted an Occupancy Tax request for the Hemmings Motor News Event scheduled for September 13 through the 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 in Wood Park. Mayor Blais was not present but has added \$3,000. occupancy tax in next year’s tentative budget for them. This would be their third and last year to receive an award from the Village. The Board discussed their event and other recent requests which have been tabled. Deputy Mayor Earl remarked that this event has more value as a long term event; and they put “heads in beds”. It was noted that this event is very well organized and well attended.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 195, 2019**

**BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board hereby authorizes an occupancy tax award in the amount of \$3,000. to Jim Menneto for the Hemmings Motor News 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Concours d’Elegance scheduled for September 13-15, 2019 in Wood Park. This funding will be available in the 2019-2020 budget.**

**VOTING      Ayes: 3      Earl, Mastrodomenico, Perry  
                 Nays: 1      Root  
                 Absent: 1      Blais  
                 MOTION PASSED.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 195, 2019 ADOPTED.                      January 28, 2019**

Superintendent Harrington and Mayor Blais interviewed Timothy Shudt, Jr. for a laborer position at the WWTP. This applicant does not have his CDL, but Superintendent Harrington noted that we have enough drivers for now, so it would not be necessary to have another CDL driver at this time. They would like to recommend hiring him as a permanent full time employee.

Based on Superintendent Harrington’s recommendation Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Mastrodomenico, offered the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 196, 2019**

**BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approves the hiring of the following as full-time permanent employee with benefits pending satisfactory pre-employment drug testing:**

**Timothy Shudt, Jr. for WWTP laborer at a pay rate of \$18.00 per hour with a start date pending his two-week notice at his current job**

**VOTING      Ayes: 4      Earl, Mastrodomenico, Root, Perry  
                 Nays: 0  
                 Absent: 1      Blais**

**RESOLUTION NO. 196, 2019 ADOPTED.                      January 28, 2019**

The 2018 Fire Department Service Award Program list has been prepared and has been posted at the firehouse.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 197, 2019**

**BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the posting of the 2018 list of eligible active firefighters for LOSAP at the Lake George Firehouse for firefighters to review.**

**VOTING      Ayes: 4      Earl, Mastrodomenico, Perry, Root  
                 Nays: 0  
                 Absent: 1      Blais  
                                 MOTION PASSED.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 197, 2019 ADOPTED.                      January 28, 2019**

An annual maintenance plan for the one-year old Verdin Clock installed in the pocket park near the Visitor Center has been proposed by the manufacturer.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 198, 2019**

**WHEREAS, the Village owns a Verdin clock which is located in the Pocket Park at One Beach Road, and**

**WHEREAS, it has been recommended that the clock be maintained and inspected on an annual basis,**

**BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees George hereby authorizes Mayor Blais to sign the agreement with Verdin and schedule the service at an annual cost of \$630.**

**VOTING      Ayes: 4      Earl, Mastrodomenico, Perry, Root  
                 Nays: 0  
                 Absent: 1      Blais  
                                 MOTION PASSED.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 198, 2019 ADOPTED.                      January 28, 2019**

Superintendent Harrington gave an update on ongoing funding possibilities for a new Waste Water Treatment Plant. He reported that we are being encouraged to apply for the SAM's

funding in the Governor's budget, along with some federal funding opportunities. He asked the Board to authorize going out to bid on the project with a tentative timeframe of February to let out the bid, and be received some time in April, with an award in May or June. He does not have the exact time table yet, but Chazen will be coming up with those details. Trustee Root brought up the topic of setting a sewer rate and the feasibility of it. Superintendent Harrington commented that it would be better to set a rate after the new plant is constructed, and the operating costs are evaluated. On a side note, Superintendent Harrington reported that the daily totals in the Town's flows have dropped since they have been sliplining.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 199, 2019**

**WHEREAS, the Village is under New York State DEC consent order which includes a set of deadlines for construction of a new Waste Water Treatment Plant;**

**BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake George hereby authorizes Chazen to prepare the specifications and set the dates and advertise to let the bid out for this project.**

**VOTING      Ayes: 4      Earl, Mastrodomenico, Perry, Root  
                 Nays: 0  
                 Absent: 1      Blais  
                                 MOTION PASSED.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 199, 2019 ADOPTED.                      January 28, 2019**

Clerk Deb McKinney reported that a new server would cost about half the cost that was proposed last year, so it will not be necessary to put it in next year's budget. She commented that the current server is reaching the end of its useful life and is getting full; she would like to purchase and install a new server in the near future, instead of waiting as originally intended. She has gotten a price proposal for the purchase and installation. Trustee Perry advised her to make sure it has plenty of space.

Superintendent Harrington reported that he has a meeting with Scott Sopzcyk of Greater Glens Falls Transit in regards to improvements to the existing bus stop located on the west end of Beach Road. They propose improvements to include removal/replacement of existing bus shelter, expansion of concrete waiting area, installation of new benches and a new schedule/map display. Mr. Sopzcyk will be on the Planning Board agenda soon and would like to request a letter of approval from the Village Board, which the Board agreed to.

Superintendent Harrington advised that the Sexual Harassment/Workplace Violence training set for the Board on February 25 has been cancelled due to not having the minimum amount of students for the training. He will let the Board know when a new date is set.

There was a motion by Trustee Perry to adjourn at 9:39 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra J. McKinney, CPPB  
Purchasing Agent, Village Clerk