

Minutes of the Regular Meeting and Public Hearings of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake George, NY, held at the Village Administration Building on Monday, June 17, 2017, at 6:30 p.m.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Joseph Mastrodomenico, Trustee

Also Present: Darlene V. Gunther (Clerk-Treasurer), Deb McKinney (Deputy Clerk-Treasurer), Superintendent Dave Harrington, Thom Randall (Journalist), Michael Goot (Post Star), Beth Gillis (Lake Champlain Lake George Regional Planning Board), and Joanne Mamrosch.

At 6:30 p.m. Mayor Blais opened the Regular Meeting and asked Trustee Root to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Blais presented the minutes from a Regular Meeting held on Monday, June 19, 2017 and a Special Meeting held on July 3, 2017. Trustee Root made a motion, seconded by Trustee Earl, carried by a majority to approve the minutes of June 19, 2017.

VOTING **Ayes: 3** **Blais, Earl, Root**
 Nays: 0
 Abstentions: 1 Perry
 Absent: 1 Mastrodomenico
 MOTION PASSED.

Trustee Root made a motion, seconded by Trustee Earl, unanimously carried to approve the minutes of July 3, 2017.

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

Monthly reports from the Sanitation Department, REC Center, Code Enforcement, Fire Department, Caldwell Sewer District, Superintendent of Public Works, Parking Meter Collections, and Peace Officers and Meter Enforcement were presented and made available for inspection.

Fire Chief Berry had the following action items:

- **New By-Laws**
Mayor Blais reported that he has requested that the Fire Company submit a revised set of By-Laws. He noted that it is the Village's duty is to make sure that there's no conflict with State and local laws.
- **Permission for Scott Smith, Jessica McKinney and Lydia Hayes to take Firefighter 1 course in North Creek beginning July 18th at no cost.**

Trustee Earl made a motion, seconded by Trustee Perry, unanimously carried to approve the training.

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

MOTION PASSED.

- EMS Response

Mayor Blais reported last year's Worker's Compensation invoicing was increased by \$13,000 due to the quantity of EMS calls. He noted that the number of calls has continued to increase, so the Worker's Comp charges will be higher again. He plans to set up a meeting with Fire Department Officials, the Town of Lake George, along with Trustee Earl for further discussion.

The following correspondence was reviewed:

- Patricia Becker, Slinky Bracelet vendor participated in the LGFD Family Fest, and was very satisfied with the event.
- NYS DOS letter of June 27 in regards to Contract #C1000230 and #C100532
- NYS DOS from Linda Baldwin, General Counsel dated June 28, 2017

Mayor Blais asked Superintendent Harrington to explain the resolution requests for:

- DOS Local Waterfront Revitalization Program and the DEC Water Quality Improvement Project grant application. Dave introduced Beth Gillis representing the Lake Champlain/Lake George Regional Planning Board. She explained that the Waterfront Revitalization Program will include creation of a maintenance plan for the southern basin area with the State, County, Town and Village to work on a plan together. It is a \$340,000 grant with the Village's local match in the amount of \$13,000 to come from in-kind services with no other financial commitment. The purpose of the project is to analyze the need for storm water retrofits and improvements in that area.

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017

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

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- NYS DEC Water Quality Improvement Project
Ms. Gilis went on to talk about this one. This purpose of this grant is to help with Winter Road Maintenance Improvement to purchase equipment for the brine making pilot program. Superintendent Harrington commented that even if we have to pay for brine, the salt usage should be reduced. It is our goal to cut down on salt usage. Beth has offered to manage the grant, and it should be a pretty short process.

Mayor Blais, seconded by Trustee Perry, offered the following resolution:
DARLENE – THIS IS THE RESOLUTION THAT DAVE NEEDS SENT TO BETH GILLIS
BGILLES_RPB@VERIZON.NET

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017

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

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Chazen recommended Municipal Solutions, Inc. for preparation of a sewer exclusion order for the Village's borrowing for a new Waste Water Treatment Plant. Superintendent Harrington explained that if we have to borrow the whole amount for a new plant, there may be an issue of going over the debt limit. This company provides services to make sure we follow the laws. They proposed a not to exceed fee of \$3,500. plus expenses.

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017

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

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Trustee Earl inquired about the Village manpower spent helping New York State find the problem near their Beach. Superintendent Harrington replied that he has been tracking the hours spent assisting them, and we've spend about 220 hours so far. We've used our vac truck and our camera equipment. Mayor Blais remarked that he is working on an invoice which will come to about \$17,000. He will probably send it to Ray Brook, just so they are aware of the cost. He noted that the health of the lake is important and somebody will have to take responsibility. Trustee Earl commented that we are the smallest agency doing all of the work on something that's not in the Village.

Mayor Blais announced the bid opening results for the Shepard Park hot dog cart. One bid in the amount of \$1,500. was received from Tamara Barrett of Devil Dawgs. The cart will be located at the beach from 11 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. daily for the rest of the season.

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017

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

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Following is the bid opening list for use of the Beach Road Ticket Booth Lease:

	Dollar Amount	Monthly payment	In advance	Non-collusive
Tiki Tours LLC	\$1,500.00		X	X
J. DePace, 70 Cooper St, Lake George NY 12845	\$5,100.00		X	X
Lake George Boats	\$4,000.00		X	X

Mayor Blais announced that the high bidder is J. DePace in the amount of \$5,100. Mr. DePace intends on selling tickets for his para sailing business. He will continue to use his present location for boarding the boats. Superintendent Harrington will meet with him for discussion of the space.

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017 ADOPTED. July 17, 2017

Mayor Blais received an appraisal from Sterling Commercial for a portion of the REC Center property listing the current "As Is" market value as \$125,000. Mayor Blais asked the Board as to how they would like to proceed. He commented that there is a gentleman interested in the property for the purposes of a cold storage for boats. Superintendent Harrington noted that currently DPW uses the space as a snow dump yard and some storage, but they could dump in the middle level area instead. Sometimes trailers are parked there, too, but they could park on the top lot. Also there will still be space for the groomer to come in and out.

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017

TO DECLARE THE PORTION REFERRED TO (I DON'T KNOW IF YOU HAVE A TAX MAP NUMBER OR SOME INFO THAT DEFINES THE PLOT??) AS SURPLUS AND PUT IT OUT TO BID

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

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Nays: 0
Absent: 1 Mastrodomenico

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Mayor Blais reported that the S.A.V.E. Committee, which he is the lead on, has raised \$25,000 to \$30,000. The events are a lot of work for the Village. He has consulted with The Fund for Lake George and asked them to take over management of the funds which need to be transferred from the Village's Trust & Agency account.

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017 ADOPTED. July 17, 2017

The following resolutions were considered:

- WQIP(Water Quality Improvement Program) grant application for funding for a new Waste Water Treatment Plant
Superintendent Harrington noted that this is another funding opportunity for a new plant. Chazen is working on this grant application.

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017 ADOPTED. July 17, 2017

- DOS Local Government Efficiency Program grant application
Superintendent Harrington explained that this is a Town/Village joint effort with the main focus of doing a study on consolidation of the two DPW's.

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017 ADOPTED. July 17, 2017

- West Brook Road Parking Enforcement Agreement with Town of Lake George

Mayor Blais noted that the Town had submitted a draft inter municipal agreement for the Enforcement of Westbrook Road Parking Lane, but there were some inconsistencies in this compared to an actual agreement that was approved at the Village's June 19th Board Meeting and signed by Supervisor Dickinson on July 5th. The term of the original signed agreement is not for an indefinite period of time as the new agreement states. He will follow up and remind the Town that an agreement has already been approved and signed.

- Approve going out to bid for logging at the REC Center. Superintendent Harrington and Deb McKinney met with Chris Gearwar of Lake George Forestry for a review of the details. A timber sale showing will be held at 9:00 a.m., Friday, July 28, 2017. The meeting will be at NYS Rte 9N and Transfer Road. The deadline for bids is August 16th.

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017 ADOPTED. July 17, 2017

- Approve going out to bid for seating work in Shepard Park. Superintendent Harrington submitted a draft drawing for proposed seating in the Park. Chazen will be doing a more elaborate rendering and drawing specifications for this project, which has a completion date of May 15, 2018.

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017 ADOPTED. July 17, 2017

- Approve a Change Order for Frank Ryan for time extension. Superintendent Harrington explained that a Change Order is needed to extend the deadline for the Water Filter Recoating Project. The substantial completion date will be revised from May 15th until November 1, 2017. This is a no cost change order. They have found that the testing and sampling process after the filter is done is more time consuming than anticipated.

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017

VOTING Ayes: 4 Blais, Earl, Perry, Root
Nays: 0

Absent: 1 Mastrodomenico

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017 ADOPTED. July 17, 2017

- Approve an amendment to the Chazen contract for Sand Filter project
Dave pointed out that because of the time extension for the contractor on the Filter Project, additional construction administration services from Chazen will be necessary. The cost for the Technical Services change order is \$2,200.

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017 ADOPTED. July 17, 2017

- Support Resolution in support of New York State's leadership in Climate Change Policy.

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017 ADOPTED. July 17, 2017

- Extended Service Agreement for the Shepard Park LED Sign
Superintendent Harrington recommended purchase of a three year extended service agreement for parts only with Daktronics for the sign. Although we haven't had any problems with the sign, it is now five years old.

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017

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

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The following training sessions were considered:

- Chris Buckley, Chris Andrews and Keith Lanfear for summer meeting of Adirondack Waterworks Conference on July 20 at a cost of \$40. each
- NYCOM's Fall Training School in Saratoga Springs September 11-15, 2017

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for any interested official. Mayor Blais noted that NYCOM will be holding their Public Works School in October at the Fort William Henry this year.

- Deb McKinney to attend a Power of Purchasing seminar in Saratoga on August 18th at no cost

Mayor Blais made a motion, seconded by Trustee Perry, unanimously carried to approve the training.

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

MOTION PASSED.

Mayor Blais reported that six notices for Property Maintenance issues were sent out. Most of the property owners have complied with the Village's requests except for Mrs. Kurosaka's old home, which still has not been moved. There was a deadline date of July 21. If it is not cleaned up by then, our DPW will go on the property and take care of it, then the expense will be levied on to their taxes. Trustee Perry commented that the MacDonald property on Ottawa doesn't look like it's been cleaned up much. Mayor Blais agreed to follow up on that.

Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Earl, offered the following resolution for water changes:

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017 ADOPTED. July 17, 2017

Trustee Perry, seconded by Trustee Earl, offered the following resolution for transfers and audits:

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017

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

RESOLUTION NO. , 2017 ADOPTED. July 17, 2017

Mayor Blais asked for any other business.

- Trustee Root congratulated Mayor Blais for receiving the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Fund for Lake George.
- Trustee Perry has been working with Mobility on their request to put up a pole to boost their signal. He suggested a different location than they proposed. It could possibly be installed on the Village's right-of-way on Park Place. The Board was in agreement with that. Trustee Perry remarked that standard rent

for something like this is \$300 to \$350 per month, but they only offered \$500 for a year. Mayor Blais suggested that he continue to negotiate the price with them.

- Mayor Blais reported that The Lake George Park Commission is working on some Storm Water Regulations Updates and would like to make a presentation to the Board. The Board agreed that they could do it at the beginning of the next Regular Board Meeting scheduled for August 21. Mayor Blais will follow up.

Clerk-Treasurer Gunther passed out ballots for a vote on this year's beautification awards. The following nominations came in:

2017 BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS:

COMMERCIAL NOMINATIONS

Marriot Courtyard – 365 Canada Street

Lake George Beach Club – 3 Lower Montcalm Street

John Carr's Distillery - One Canada Street

RESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS

Robert and Randi Klemish - 72 McGillis Avenue

Christian and Judith Gearwar - 50 Hendrick Street

William and Teresa Liguori – 45 McGillis Avenue

Mayor Blais announced the need for an Executive Session and noted that there would be no further business afterwards.

Motion by Mayor Blais, seconded by Trustee Earl, unanimously carried, to enter into an Executive Session at 6:38 p.m. to discuss the disciplinary action of a particular employee.

Motion by Mayor Blais, seconded by Trustee Earl, unanimously carried, to exit Executive Session at 8:07 p.m.

There was a motion by Trustee Perry to adjourn at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra J. McKinney, CPPB
Purchasing Agent
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer