

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake George, NY, held at the Village Administration Building on Tuesday, July 3, 2018, at 8:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert M. Blais, Mayor
John Earl, Deputy Mayor (Exited meeting at (9:00 a.m.)
Joseph Mastrodomenico, Trustee
Ray Perry, Trustee
John Root, Trustee

Also Present: Clerk Deb McKinney, Superintendent Dave Harrington, Gina Mintzer (Lake George Chamber), Michael Goot (Post Star) and Thom Randall (Journalist).

At 8:07 a.m. Mayor Blais opened the Special Meeting.

Superintendent Harrington requested approval for one WWTP employee to take the CDL classroom and "In the cab" driver's training at BOCES beginning July 11, 2018. He explained that the sludge truck goes to Washington County three days a week, and there is a shortage of CDL drivers available to take it. One of the new employees is willing to take the training to get their CDL. The Board had some concern about spending the money for the training then the employee finding another job. They discussed different options. Generally with the increased responsibility of having a CDL an employee gets a .50 per hour raise, but the Board decided that there would be a six-month waiting period after passing their road test before the raise would be given.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 83, 2018

WHEREAS, it is necessary to have a CDL to drive the WWTP dump truck, and there is a shortage of qualified drivers at this time;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby authorizes one WWTP employee to be registered for the Class B Commercial Driver's classroom training at a cost of \$190. and "In the cab" instruction at a cost of \$1,125. at the BOCES for the training session beginning July 11, 2018; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon completion of training and receipt of a Commercial Drivers License, the employee will be eligible for a .50/hour increase in pay to become effective six months thereafter.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 83, 2018 ADOPTED. July 3, 2018

Mayor Blais reported that John Carr of the Adirondack Pub & Brewery submitted a request to allow overnight camping on his four-acre parcel behind the parking lot of 1 Canada Street. He is requesting a trial on a temporary basis, which Mr. Carr says, "could enhance and broaden the type of events which take place at the Charles R. Wood Park." Mayor Blais drafted a list of conditions that may be imposed on a temporary permit, such as this. He noted that some of the people that work for the organizers and some of the bands for the concerts would like to camp. There has been some camping at the Wood Park, but it is not acceptable as damage has been

done. Discussion about the pros and cons of allowing overnight camping on the property across the street ensued. The application that was submitted by Dave Ehmann and John Carr was for August 30 through September 2 during the Adirondack Independence Festival. It was suggested that a trial period of one night may be acceptable to see how it goes.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 84, 2018

WHEREAS, a Tent Application and Permit was submitted by Dave Ehmann of Improv Records, Inc and John Carr for tenting in the Biscotti Brothers back lot for the period from August 31 through September 2, 2018;

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees would like to consider exploring the possibility further;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby denies the submitted application for the period of August 31 through September 2, 2018, but would entertain a new application for a one-night trial period for a revocable permit possibly during the Charlie Daniels Band concert or some other event with tenting allowed for employees only. It would not be intended for spectators or for public use.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 84, 2018 ADOPTED. July 3, 2018

Mayor Blais introduced Gina Mintzer of the Lake George Chamber. Ms. Mintzer distributed the 2018 Four-Season Travel Guide and other flyers, results sheets and reports. She proceeded to give a report of promotions and activities scheduled by the Chamber. She reviewed the initiatives planned to enhance the visitation in and around the region. She commented that after some evaluation, some service duplications with the Chamber and Warren County Tourism have been found, so they are working on coordination of their efforts. Ms. Mintzer announced that the Chamber will have the Info Booth at the Visitor Center open seven days a week now through Labor Day, and weekends thereafter through October, weekends through Winter Carnival, and adding that they will be open through Christmas and New Year's this year as well. She reported that the new Adirondack Welcome Center is slated to be open in mid-September. She gave details about the new center and noted that there will be a boat washing station there as well. She reviewed economic development and evaluation and their plan for promotion throughout the region. She finished her presentation by announcing two events planned locally for the future – the Adirondack Christkinlmarkt at the Festival Space in December and the Adventure Travel Trade Association ELEVATE Conference planned for June of 2019, the week after Americade.

Mayor Blais reported that he had a post meeting with Americade organizers, and they felt that the Block Party was successful, and they would like to have it again next year. Mayor Blais noted that he sent a questionnaire to businesses and received some replies back, along with phone calls, letters, and emails. The reviews are mixed, some against, and some for. He requested that the Board follow up and get some input and opinions so that a decision can be made as to whether to allow Canada Street to be closed for next year's event or not. He would like to gather all of the information and discuss it further at the next Regular Village Board meeting. Mayor Blais reported that there were no noise complaints, and there seemed to be no

issues with DPW getting the road closed. He reported that the trolley ridership was down along with Americade registrations. Also, Beach Road Parking lot worked for the Expo, but lost revenue, so the fees would have to be reevaluated.

Fire Chief Smith submitted a revised quote from Stewart & Stevenson in the amount of \$20,489.30 which is an additional \$1,639.15. On May 30, 2018, the Village Board passed Resolution No. 65, and approved a cost not to exceed \$20,000.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 85, 2018

WHEREAS, the 1995 Sutphen Aerial Fire Truck is still out of service and is in need of repair, and

WHEREAS, the vendor working on the truck, Stewart & Stevenson – Atlantic Detroit Diesel-Allison Division of Latham, NY has found more work that needs to be done and has submitted a revised quote in the amount of \$20,489.30;

WHEREAS, the Village Board adopted Resolution No. 65, 2018 on May 30, 2018, and approved the repairs at a cost not to exceed \$20,000.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby agrees to increase the repair cost by \$489.30 to cover the additional work necessary.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 85, 2018 ADOPTED. July 3, 2018

Trustee Earl left the meeting.

Mayor Blais reported that Code Enforcement made a site visit to Polish Ice in regards to their distributing samples on the street corner. They were told that they can no longer stand on the street corner and hand out samples. He reminded the Board that they were originally approved to pass out samples in Shepard Park during certain days in 2017. Although he offered them some suggestions for other options, he noted that the owners expressed to him that they will be closing their store.

Mayor Blais noted that the new restrooms at Shepard Park are open for business, and he would like to have a grand opening celebration.

Mayor Blais reported that the Governor has announced another Clean Water grant possibility for the WWTP Improvement project. A conference call is scheduled for later today to find out more details.

Mayor Blais asked Superintendent Harrington to explain about the proposal from Chazen in regards to the bulk storage report. Superintendent Harrington explained that it came to his attention that the sodium hypochlorite tank at the Water Treatment Plant was never registered with DEC, but it was supposed to be. We were unaware of this, but are working to complete the process to comply with DEC regulations and should have it done within the next couple of weeks. He has asked Chazen Companies to assist, and they submitted a proposal in the

amount of \$8,400. A Spill Prevention Report must be completed along with annual tank inspection, coordination with DEC, and necessary training, which must be done by qualified personnel.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 86, 2018

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby approves hiring Chazen Companies Proposal No. PM18-137 at a cost not to exceed \$8,400. to perform the scope of services listed in regards to the Chemical Bulk Storage tank for sodium hypochlorite at the Water Treatment Plant.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 86, 2018 ADOPTED. July 3, 2018

Mayor Blais prepared drafts for changes for three proposed Local Laws, and asked the Board to review them for a Public Hearing at the next regular meeting on July 16, 2018.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 87, 2018

BE IT RESOLVED, that Public Hearings for the following Proposed Local Laws of the code of the Village of Lake George be set for Monday, July 16, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Proposed Local Law No. 7, 2018	Amending Chapter 177 Special Event Parking Permits
Proposed Local Law No. 8, 2018	Amending Chapter 208 Vehicle & Traffic, Article X Parking, Standing, and Stopping 208-14, 208-15, & Article XIII Parking of Large Vehicles 208-34
Proposed Local Law No. 9, 2018	Amending Chapter 220-42 Architectural Standards and Guidelines and 220-85 Zoning Board of Appeals

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

RESOLUTION NO. 87, 2018 ADOPTED. July 3, 2018

Mayor Blais, seconded by Trustee Root, offered the following resolution to request APA review and approval of the Village Code amendments to Chapter 220:

RESOLUTION NO. 88, 2018

WHEREAS, the Village of Lake George administers the Zoning Code of the Village of Lake George, and the Village Board recognized the need to update the Zoning Code to maintain the health, welfare and safety of the Village's residents, and the Village has proposed a local law which contains amendments to the Village Code Chapter 220 Zoning; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Lake George shall, per Code Section 220-96 'Referrals to other planning agencies', send proposed zoning amendments to the APA for approval under Section 807 of the Adirondack Park Agency Act; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Lake George is an Approved Local Land Use Plan (ALLUP) and must receive approval on Zoning code amendments from the APA prior to acceptance by the Lake George Village Board;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Lake George requests the review and approval of the Village of Lake George Code Chapter 220-42 and 220-85 amendments by the Adirondack Park Agency (APA) pursuant to Article 27 of the Executive Law, Section 807.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 88, 2018 ADOPTED. July 3, 2018

Mayor Blais reported that there are currently three businesses that have not completed the paperwork or paid the fees including the penalties for their business licenses for 2018. The applications, proof of insurance, and payments were due by May 31, so penalties are now added. He just wanted to let the Board know that if the businesses do not comply with completion of the business license application, he will follow up with them and also notify the regulating agencies such as, but not limited to the State Liquor Authority and the NYS Department of Health.

There was a motion by Trustee Perry to adjourn at 9:19 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra J. McKinney, CPPB
Purchasing Agent
Village Clerk