August 12, 2021

State of New York
2679 Route 8
County of Hamilton
Town of Lake Pleasant

A Regular Meeting of the Lake Pleasant Town Board was held on August 2, 2021 at the Lake Pleasant Public Library 2864 State Hwy. 8 Speculator, NY. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M., to conduct whatever business that may come before the Board.
The following were present:
Supervisor: Betsy Bain
Councilman: Neil McGovern, Cristine Meixner, Nancy Seifts, Don Braunius
Town Clerk: Deborah O'Rourke
Highway Superintendent Randy Lavarnway
Guests: Karen McComb (Library President),Stephanie Smith

RESOLUTION #81APPROVE MINUTES OF July 19, 2021
OFFERED BY Cristine Meixner 2nd by Neil McGovern
RESOLVED, that the minutes of July 19, 2021 be approved as presented
ADOPTED by the following vote. Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts Neil McGovern, Don Braunius, Cristine Meixner Nays: None

Committee Reports: Highway: Superintendent Lavarnway reported that Tandem Truck 2014 is in the garage for minor repairs just waiting on parts. The crew is working on Gilmantown Rd. Randy hopes to start paving at the end of August if he can get the stone needed to for the job no stone available at this time. Thanks to the Village of Speculator for lending the Town one of their single axle trucks. To follow up on the dumpster problem it seems after letting people know about the use of the Town dumpster there has not been any problems. The new problem is that some people are using the wrong garbage cans. It seems that the ones are appearing in Town are rolling garbage cans that are used with garbage trucks that pick up the cans with a mechanical arm. They are too heavy for the crew to pick up and very heavy lids. Starting this Thursday, the crew will be tagging these cans which means they will not pick up garbage from these cans. Zoning/Code Officer Bob Benkovich, and Highway Superintendent Lavarnway did a walk through at the Town's Museum to address some safety issues and there is a need for some large trees on the east side of the building that need to be removed. The Board agreed to have Lavarnway get prices on the removal of the trees.

Old Business: ROW Closing Update: The Town received the bill for the quitclaim deed on 175 Golf Course Road today so the closing will be very soon.
The Town has received a check for the American Rescue Plan on July 22 for $21,399.75 The monies will be kept in a liability account until it is expended, then that amount can be recorded a revenue. A special expenditure account needs to be set up to record aid money in.
GAVAC Fly Car-Supervisor Bain has contacted the Twigs and a donation of $10,000 was given to GAVAC last October. The Twigs were contacted that the donation was received. The Town of Arietta and Wells were contacted to see if the donations were credit to their Towns, further discussion on the credit to each Town.

RESOLUTION #82 APPOINT CAROL WALLER TO THE PLANNING BOARD TO FILL A VACANCY
OFFERED BY, Nancy Seifts 2nd by Cristine Meixner
RESOLVED, Carol's term will run 08/03/2021-12/31/2022
ADOPTED by the following vote. Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius. Nays-None
The Town has received a check from NYS Unemployment for $7,861.20 with no explanation, Supervisor Bain called the office and was told that all employers in NYS were getting reimbursed for the first three quarters of 2020 due to COVID. The Town did file a grievance in June of 2020 but have not heard back on their decision.
New Business: Air B&B Rentals Letter-The Village and the Town will be working on a letter that will be sent to all owners explaining their responsibilities for garbage and recyclables pick-up. There is a list from County Tourism that they will be working off of. There are many more B& B'S popping up every day.
Committee Report: Cemetery: Randy there still nothing on the new fencing for Fish Mt. Cemetery. The proposal was signed and sent back to Siena Fence Co.

RESOLUTION #83 APPROVE AUDIT OF ABSTRACT# 24
Voucher #1366-1392 Amount $77,539.43
OFFERED BY Don Braunius 2nd by Neil McGovern
RESOLVED, that all bills in the following funds be paid as present.
GENERAL, HIGHWAY, LANDFILL, LIBRARY
ADOPTED by the following vote. Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius Nays-None

Roundtable: Next Board meeting is August 16, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.
Public Comment: None
Roundtable: Superintendent Lavarnway: we have been notified another FEMA project check should be received soon, one of the small projects from the Halloween Storm. Lavarnway explained about the grant application for a leased new groomer. It is an 80%/20% grant which would cost the Town $55,000 over five years they do all the maintenance and repairs and then it goes back. They can not be purchased as they have to be made with U.S. steel of which they are not. If the grant is approved, we won't see the money until 2023. Cristine asked Betsy if National Grid has sent an invoice for the new street lighting? Betsy said no, Cristine will be contacting National Grid. Cristine feels that there is a lack of workforce housing in our Town. She feels that the Town needs more affordable rental homes. Cristine, Neil and Don will get together to come up with some recommendations on this subject. The ribbon cutting for the Mountain Rescue Training on top of Oak Mt. was nicely done. Thank you, Bill Osborne, for pursuing the money for this.

***ON A MOTION BY Don Braunius 2ND by Neil McGovern
TO ADJOURN 8:00 p.m.
ALL IN FAVOR.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah O'Rourke, Town Clerk