December 30, 2020

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 December 21, 2020 by ZOOM. 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
Zoom Guests: Donna Benkovich (Chamber Director)

RESOLUTION #117 APPROVE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 7, 2020
OFFERED BY Nancy Seifts 2nd by Neil McGovern
RESOLVED, that the minutes of December 7, 2020 be approved as presented
ADOPTED by the following vote. Ayes: Supervisor Bain Councilperson: Nancy Seifts Neil McGovern, Don Braunius, Cristine Meixner Nays: None
Comment: None

Highway: Superintendent Lavarnway reported there were no major breakdowns during the big snowstorm. Cemetery's are closed. Trees have been cut down on the Pathway this will help the cross-country ski trails. Sump-pumps in the Primary Care are all up and running. The cameras at the Health Care and the Library are all working. No word on funds for the Snowmobile Trail grooming, the NYS Snowmobile Association says don't expect vouchers until mid-January and the funds may be reduced. If we get any money by February, we will be halfway through the snowmobile season with no money for the Town or the clubs that groom the trails. The Town has received the first check for $87,000 from FEMA for work done as a result of last year's Halloween Storm, still waiting for two/three vouchers for projects done this summer. Supervisor Bain wanted everyone to know how persistent Randy has been in getting the money owed to the Town. Nancy Seifts asked Lavarnway if there has been any CHIPS money at this point, he said they have not received any.

Old Business:

Supervisor Bain reported that the new flooring in the Primary Care Center has been completed and a great job done.

Neil McGovern who is serving on the Septic committee with the Village, reported that it seems the Village is moving ahead to get ready to adopt a Village Local Law, he feels that the Committee was going to use the County's Local Law from the 70's and work off of that. He feels it doesn't make sense to pass a Village law on this, it should be a Town Law which would include the Village. Neil will get a fresh copy of the County Local Law as the one he was given is missing some parts. He thinks the Board should go slowly on this topic and get some feedback from the Town's people. Supervisor Bain the Septic Committee is made up of more Village people who don't have septic systems. Neil said he is representing the Town's people. Bob Benkovich is the only one on the Committee who does not live in the Village. The question is

also who is going to do the enforcing of this law? Code/Zoning Officer Bob Benkovich has a full plate already. Further discussion.

New Business:

After much discussion on a former bill that the Town received from Parslow plumbing to do emergency repair to an R/O system months ago, the Board finally agreed to pay the $150 bill Cristine Meixner is not in agreement to pay the bill as she feels it is not part of the responsibility of the Town. She offered to pay it herself. Supervisor Bain feels because she made the call the Town should pay just this time. More discussion on what the Town should and should not have to pay on the R/O systems.

RESOLUTION #118 THE BOARD WILL PAY THE $150 BILL TO PARSLOW PLUMBING FOR AN EMERGENCY CALL ON A R/O SYSTEM THAT WAS DONE OVER COLUMBUS DAY WEEKEND.

RESOLVED, the Board agreed to pay the bill as Supervisor Bain felt she made the call to Parslow Plumbing due to the R/O homeowner not having any water on Columbus Weekend.

OFFERED BY, Nancy Seifts, 2nd by Don Braunius

ADOPTED by the following vote: Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Cristine Meixner, Nancy Seifts, Don Braunius, Neil McGovern. Nays: None

RESOLUTION #119 THE BOARD AGREED ON THE 2020 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN AND THE LAKE PLEASANT SENIOR CITIZEN GROUP INC.

(Cristine Meixner feels it should read the Senior Citizen Meal Site Contract for 2021 to distinguish it from the Senior Citizen Meal Site Contract, the Board agreed)

OFFERED BY, Cristine Meixner 2nd by Neil McGovern

(See Attached)

ADOPTED by the following vote: Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Don Braunius, Neil McGovern Nays: None.

RESOLUTION #120 THE BOARD ADOPTED THE AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES WITH THE ADIRONDACK SPECULATOR REGION CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR 2021

OFFERED BY Neil McGovern 2nd by Cristine Meixner

(See Attached)

ADOPTED by the following vote: Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius.

RESOLUTION #121 THE BOARD AGREED ON AUGUST 5, 2013 TO CREATE A CAPITAL PROJECT H16 FOR THE LIBRARY EXPANSION AND THE TOWN BOARD AGREES TO THE CLOSING OF THE CAPITAL PROJECT FUND H16 AND TRANSFER FUNDS.

(See Attached)

OFFERED BY, Nancy Seifts, 2nd by Neil McGovern

ADOPTED by the following vote: Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Don Braunius, Neil McGovern. Nays: None

RESOLUTION #122 THE BOARD HAS AUTHORIZED THE INCREASE FUNDING FOR CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.
OFFERED BY, Nancy Seifts, 2nd by Neil McGovern
(See attached)
ADOPTED by the following vote: Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Don Braunius, Neil McGovern. Nays: None
Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer Bob Benkovich reported that the new system has been installed and he has been doing some training on it already. It is capable of doing permits, meetings zoning board, planning board and code enforcement work all by property number or address and or name. Once the mobile app is installed, he will be able to take photos on site then upload them at the office.
RESOLUTION # 123 THE BOARD AGREED WITH THE NEW RETENTION AND DISPOSITION SCHEDULE FOR NEW YORK LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECORDS.
OFFERED BY, Cristine Meixner, 2nd by Nancy Seifts
RESOLVED, the Town of Lake Pleasant has agreed with the Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records issued pursuant to Article 57-A of the Arts and Cultural Affairs Law and containing legal minimum retention periods for local government records, is hereby adopted for use by all officers in legally disposing of valueless records listen therein.
FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with Article 57-A:

- **(a) Only those records will be disposed of that are described in Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1), after they have met the minimum retention periods described therein.**
- **(b) Only those records will be disposed of that do not have sufficient administrative, fiscal, legal, or historical value to merit retention beyond established legal minimum periods.**

ADOPTED by the following vote: Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Neil McGovern, Cristine Meixner, Nancy Seifts, Don Braunius Nays: None

Cristine Meixner asked the Board if everyone is on board with the notifications from Towpath, Supervisor Bain asked if she could shorten them, Cristine said she could.

WHEREAS A Budget Adjustment transfer should be made in the amount of $7,875.00 from the Account Clerk Line Number A.122.101 to the newly created budget line number A.1220.402.
BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board hereby creates and funds the new budget line in order to pay for the new County Bookkeeping Services.
ADOPTED by the following vote. Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius. Nays-None

RESOLUTION # APPROVE AUDIT OF ABSTRACT #33
Voucher # Amount 1,279.79
ABSTRACT #34 Voucher #Amount $30,827.19
OFFERED BY Neil McGovern 2nd by Don Braunius
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, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius, Cristine Meixner Nays-None

Roundtable:

Question on when the kids ski lessons start? Ski lessons stated on Dec. 18th and each child will receive 8 lessons. Don Braunius said he was happy about the trees being removed from the Pathway. Don feels maybe something can be done about the picnic areas, suggestion moving the ones in the back closer to the front of the Pathway. Supervisor Bain suggested as we get closer to Spring maybe meet with Dave McComb who is the Coordinator for the Pathway and get some volunteers to help with improvements.

Discussion on moving the Town Board meetings from 7:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. After much discussion the Board agreed to start the meetings at 5:30 p.m. starting the meeting of January 4th . The Board will review this at the last meeting in March.

Supervisor Bain thanked the Lake Pleasant Volunteer Fire Dept. for opening up for COVID testing.

Supervisor Bain will be submitting a voucher to the Office of the Aging once she gets the final bill from Brown Coach Bus Company to get reimbursement for the year.

*** ON A MOTION OF MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION 8:08 p.m. To discuss employment history of a particular person.

*** ON A MOTION TO MOVE OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION 8:16 p.m.

No action taken.

***ON A MOTION BY Don Braunius 2ND by Cristine Meixner

TO ADJOURN 8;17 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOR.

MERRY CHRISTRMAS!!

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah O'Rourke, Town Clerk