February 2, 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 February 1, 2021 by Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M., to conduct whatever business that may come before the Board.

The following were present:
Supervisor: Betsy Bain
Councilpersons: Neil McGovern, Cristine Meixner, Nancy Seifts, Don Braunius
Town Clerk: Deborah O'Rourke
Highway Superintendent Randy Lavarnway
Guests by Zoom: Bob Benkovich (Code/Building Inspector), Richard Meyers, Faith Cleveland (Dep. Clerk).

RESOLUTION #19 APPROVE MINUTES OF January 19, 2021
OFFERED BY Cristine Meixner 2nd by Don Braunius
RESOLVED, that the minutes of January 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/Building: Superintendent Lavarnway reported the crew has been busy plowing snow. Randy wanted to let everyone that the Town truck was not in an accident what happened was when they were plowing in Speculator by the public beach the plow hit the expansion joint on the bridge and damaged the plow. The concrete around the expansion joint has eroded away. The State DOT have been notified they will be coming up to evaluate the problem. Randy suspects the State will be installing signs that say lift plow. There has been a big problem with snowmobilers riding the end of Elm Lake Rd. to Cave Hill Rd. Lyme timber is logging in that area so their logging trucks are traveling in that area which makes for a dangerous situation for snowmobilers. We have barricaded the area and snowmobilers are either going around them or moving them. Lavarnway has contacted Lyme Timber to alert those who lease from them to let them know that if this keeps up the area might be closed off. ENCON and State Police will be patrolling this area. The boiler in the wash bay was up and running but stopped working again. Randy has asked Eldredge to replace the regulator.

Old Business: BST who has perform an audit on the Towns books still have a few questions Supervisor Bain, Highway Superintendent Lavarnway, Town Clerk Debbie O'Rourke and former Princ. Acct. Clerk Nancy Seifts met by Zoom with the County Treasurer's Office who have been hired to take over the Town's books and payroll. Most of the issues BST brought to the table were answered.

RESOLUTION #20 THE BOARD AGGREED TO RESCIND RESOLUTION #15 WHERE THE TOWN AGGREED TO START THE BIDDING ON 175 GOLF COURSE ROAD AT ASSESSED VALUE $63,300.
OFFERED BY Cristine Meixner, 2nd by Don Braunius
RESOLVED, that after speaking with Auction International they suggested it was not a good idea to set the minimum bid, they never do their auctions with a minimum bid.

ADOPTED by the following vote. Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius
RESOLUTION #21 BOARD AGREED TO SEND THE LETTER TO THE R/O OWNERS EXPLAINING THE TOWNS RESPONSIBILITY FOR POTABLE WATER.
OFFERED BY Neil McGovern 2nd Don Braunius
RESOLVED, Neil McGovern has drafted a letter to the R/O owners explaining what the Town is and is not responsible for to supply potable water.
ADOPTED by the following vote. Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius.

New Business:
Code/Zoning Officer Bob Benkovich gave his report for the year 2020 (see attached)
There was a total of 125 building permits issued in the Town of Lake Pleasant in 2020.
Supervisor Bain asked Bob how the new Williamson Program was going he said it is working very well he is learning more as he goes.
RESOLUTION # 22 TO ACCEPT THE BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR THE END OF YEAR 2020 (see attached)
OFFERED BY Cristine Meixner 2nd by Nancy Seifts
RESOLVED, the Board accepted the budget transfers for the end of 2020 made by the Hamilton County Treasurer's Office.
ADOPTED, by the following vote. Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius.

RESOLUTION # 23APPROVE AUDIT OF ABSTRACT #3
Voucher #907-939 Amount $53,775.99
OFFERED BY Cristine Meixner 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, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius, Cristine Meixner Nays-None

Next meeting: Tuesday February 16, 2021(Monday is President's Day) @ 5:30 by Zoom
Public Comment: Richard Meyers asked Code/Zoning Officer Bob Benkovich about the rebuild of a house that has burnt down, does it have to be rebuilt on the same footprint? Bob responded the owner would have to contact the APA in order to rebuild. Allowance to rebuild is 2 ft. higher and additional 250 square feet on the side away from the Lake. Richard Meyers is speaking about the new structure that his neighbor the Wheeler's are rebuilding. He claims they are not following the guidelines. Bob asked how he knows this; his response was he just knows. Supervisor Bain suggested to Richard Meyers to contact Bob Benkovich at his office.
Roundtable: Supervisor Bain reported that the Town received a kick back check from NYMIR
***ON A MOTION BY Don Braunius 2ND by Cristine Meixner

TO ADJOURN 6:05 p.m. ALL IN FAVOR.

Respectfully submitted by
Deborah O'Rourke, Town Clerk