February 21, 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 16, 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
Councilman: Neil McGovern, Cristine Meixner( Absent), Nancy Seifts, Don Braunius
Town Clerk: Deborah O'Rourke (Absent)
Highway Superintendent Randy Lavarnway
Guests: Gary Rhinehart (Dackland Radio)
Zoom-Richard Meyers, Deputy Town Clerk Faith Cleveland

**RESOLUTION #24 APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 1, 2021**
**OFFERED BY Neil McGovern 2nd by Nancy Seifts**
**RESOLVED, that the minutes of February 1, 2021 be approved as presented**
**ADOPTED by the following vote. Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts Neil McGovern, Don Braunius, Cristine Meixner (Absent) Nays: None**
Supervisor Bain stated that Public Comment will be at the end of the meeting not at the beginning.

**Committee Reports:**
**Highway:** Superintendent Lavarnway reported that all the trucks are in shape and plowing is going well. Our groomers are doing great a few hydraulic leaks nothing major. DRAG of Speculator groomers both went down this weekend (Presidents) it took18 hours to get them both up and running. Received vouchers from the State for grooming snowmobile trail funds. Randy will reach out to the Snowmobile clubs to sign contracts so they can get paid for January and February. Robert Page has given his 2 weeks notice he is returning to the Military. Randy received a few resumes and interest in the position. Lavarnway, Meixner and Braunius met and reviewed applications and agreed to hire Austin Hayes start date Feb. 22 he already has his CDL permit and will hopefully get his license this Spring.
**RESOLUTION # 25 TO HIRE AUSTIN HAYES BY RECOMMENDATION OF THE HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.**
**OFFERED BY Don Braunius 2nd by Neil McGovern**
**RESOLVED, that Austin Hayes will start working for Highway Dept. starting Feb. 22, 2021**
**ADOPTED by the following vote: Ayes Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius**

Randy wants to discuss the reserve funds that are in the budget, Truck and Groomer funds were done correctly, which means the Town does not have to go to a public referendum to use the money but aside. The Auditor was asking questions that in 2019 and 2020 there were reserve funds set up for the garbage truck, tennis courts, 6-wheeler and loader fund but not all the

paperwork was done, so Supervisor Bain and Superintendent Lavarnway started pulling out paperwork to see if Resolutions were done, Town Clerk O'Rourke is on vacation so the search for paperwork on these funds are on hold until she gets back. Money has been set side for these funds so we have to make sure the paperwork matches these reserves. No in trouble, because in 5 years monies will be spent except for the tennis courts repair funds which will probably call for the most paper work. Jody from the Treasures' Office has been working with Laura at BST the audit company and they feel they will be able to rectify without a lot of complications. Nancy Seifts was asked by Neil if she remembered these reserves, she stated that was done during the former Supervisors realm.

**Old Business:** BST has completed the 2019 Audit the Town was billed for the balance of $3,300 with a $1,000 balance once we receive the final report.

BST has been hired to perform an Audit for 2020, Supervisor Bain and Nancy Seifts had a meeting with Paul Goez this morning, they will be starting the audit for 2020 in late April or early May. AUD has been completed in a timely fashion for 2020.

Auctions International Report has been received by the Supervisor with terms and conditions along with questions from RJ. RJ also asked for the Town's Attorney contact information. Laura from Young and Sommers will be working with RJ from Auctions International directly.

**RESOLUTION #26 RENEW AGREEMENT WITH THE ADIRONDACK PARK LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW BOARD.**
**OFFERED BY, Don Braunius 2nd by Nancy Seifts**
**RESOLVED, (see attached)**
**ADOPTED by the following vote. Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius. Nays-None**

**RESOLUTION #27 TO ENSURE LAKE PLEASANT VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS RECEIVE CREDITS TOWARD THEIR LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM (LOSAP) DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**
**OFFERED BY Neil McGovern 2nd by Don Braunius**
**RESOLVED, the Lake Pleasant Town Board has greed to adopt New York State's revision to the LOSAP point system for active volunteer firefighters, who are not able to meet the required 50 points, due to cancelled meeting, fire drill or firematic functions for 2020-21**
**ADOPTED, by the following vote. Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius Nays-None**

**RESOLUTION #28 AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT TO POST WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS ON TOWN ROADS FOR 2021**
**OFFERED BY, Nancy Seifts 2nd by Neil McGovern**
**(see attached)**
**ADOPTED by the following vote. Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius Nays-None**

BTI report for 2021 we have one new applicator Wade Hartman he will be training on line for BTI thanks to Vi Wickes. The Town is still looking for another applicator. The Town will be putting an ad in the paper letting everyone know that the BTI application will be starting soon. Material has been ordered.

Youth Committee reported that those kids taking ski lessons will be able to ski during Presidents week, there was a mis-understanding during Christmas week.

**RESOLUTION #29 APPROVE AUDIT OF ABSTRACT #4**
**Voucher #940-950 Amount $39,905.34 ABSTRACT #5 Voucher # 951-979 Amount 8,451.75**
**OFFERED BY Nancy Seifts 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 (abstained) Nays-None**

**Roundtable:** Next Board meeting is March 1, 2021 @ 5:30 p.m.
**Public Comment**:
**Roundtable:**
Don Braunius feels the tennis courts are a big investment that the Town will be making why are we responsible for the maintenance of this court as it is on County Property? He feels we should turn them over to the County for maintenance, we don't own the property? Lease agreement in 1973 information given by Laura Abrams Clerk of the Board for 1-year in 1999 a 5-year lease, 2004 a 10 year lease no lease since then. Repair will be thousands and thousands of dollars so he feels we should give them back to the County. Who is liable after the contacts are done? The Town has put a lot of money into the Courts. Elm Lake are in worse shape save money let County do what they want and the Town would take care of the ones on Elm Lake Road. Neil suggested maybe the Town should revisit with the County. Betsy will look into any agreement with the County on the Tennis Courts.
Neil was wondering about Hughes net? instead of Frontier. Some in Hope have Hughes net Neil will follow up.
***ON A MOTION BY Don Braunius 2ND by Neil McGovern
TO ADJOURN 6:00 p.m.
ALL IN FAVOR.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah O'Rourke, Town Clerk

# AGREEMENT

**THIS AGREEMENT** made Feb 16, 2021 between the **TOWN OF LAKE PLEASANT**, hereinafter referred to as the **TOWN**, and the **ADIRONDACK PARK LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW BOARD**, a Board duly organized and existing pursuant to the provisions of §803-a of the Executive Law of the State of New York, acting by and through its duly appointed members, hereinafter referred to as the **REVIEW BOARD**.

**WHEREAS**, the Review Board was created by the Legislature of the State of New York and is composed of representatives appointed by the county legislatures of the counties lying in whole or in part within the Adirondack Park; and

**WHEREAS**, the Legislature of the State of New York has provided only partial funding for the **REVIEW BOARD** to perform its statutory functions as outlined in Executive Law §803-a; and

**WHEREAS**, the **TOWN** has authorized an appropriation in the sum of Three Hundred Dollars ($300) in support of the work of the **REVIEW BOARD** in representing the interests of the local governments of the Adirondacks; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, it is agreed as follows:

1. The **TOWN** agrees to pay to the **REVIEW BOARD** the sum of Three Hundred Dollars ($300) for the services of the **REVIEW BOARD** in representing the **TOWN** in matters relating to the Adirondack Park.

2. The **REVIEW BOARD** agrees to provide to the **TOWN** the benefit of its services, including but not limited to, attendance at all meetings of the Adirondack Park Agency, attendance and participation at public hearings conducted by the Adirondack Park Agency on projects under review by said Agency, periodic reports on the activities of the Adirondack Park Agency to the Supervisor of the **TOWN**, especially as such activities affect the residents of the **TOWN** and generally to report on the administration and enforcement of the Land Use and Development Plan set forth in the Executive Law of the State of New York.

**THE TOWN OF LAKE PLEASANT**

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By Supervisor

**THE ADIRONDACK PARK LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW BOARD**

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By **Gerald W. Delaney**
Executive Director

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**REQUESTING AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT TO POST WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS ON TOWN ROADS FOR THE YEAR 2021**

**DATED:** February 16, 2021

**BY** Nancy Seifts

WHEREAS, Vehicle and Traffic Law Article 41, Section 1660 gives authority to the Town Board to post weight limits on Town Roads when the Board deems necessary to protect roads from harm during spring breakup, and

WHEREAS, Vehicle and Traffic Law Article 40, Section 1650 gives authority to the county superintendent of highways to post weight limits on County Roads when the superintendent deems it necessary to protect County roads from harm during spring breakup, and

WHEREAS, the Town would need to place an ad in the local newspaper notifying the public of such postings, and

WHEREAS, the County Superintendent places a legal ad in the local newspaper notifying the public of such posting on County highways, and

WHEREAS, the Town roads are typically posted for the same duration as the County roads, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board and Town Highway Superintendent believes that it would be in the interest of the Town if the County Superintendent post weight restrictions on the Town roads in conjunction with the County Roads during spring breakup, be it

RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Lake Pleasant hereby requests and authorizes the County Superintendent of Highways post weight restrictions on Town roads within the Town of Lake Pleasant when he deems necessary for the calendar year 2021.

Seconded by Neil McGovern