January 6, 2020

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

An ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING and regular town board meeting was held January 6, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. at the Lake Pleasant Public Library 2864 State Hwy. 8 Speculator NY, to make appointments, establish other organizational tasks, and conduct whatever business that may come before the Town Board.

The following were present:
Supervisor: Betsy Bain
Councilman Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner,Neil McGovern, Don Braunius
Town Clerk Deborah O'Rourke
Highway Superintendent Randy Lavarnway
Guests: Eileen Lavarnway, Victoria Buyce, Karen McComb (Library Pres.), Mark Crary, Gary Rhinehart (Dackland Radio), Nancy Germain, John Seifts, William Paestella, Robert Hoffman, Kathy Aird (Acct. Clerk), Barbara Bain, Robert Benkovich (Zoning/Code Officer), James Swanson, Peter Newell, Paul Allen

RESOLUTION #:2APPROVE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 16, 2019 & JANUARY 1, 2020
OFFERED BY Neil McGovern, 2nd by Nancy Seifts
RESOLVED, that the minutes of December 16, 2019 and January 1, 2020 be approved as presented
ADOPTED by the following vote. Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius AYES-ALL NAYS-NONE

Public Comment: Gary Rhinehart from Dackland Radio was questioning the Board on how he is supposed to archive the Town recordings there seems to be a question brought up by the Village Mayor about the time limit for archiving the Board said what he is doing is fine. William Paestella questioned Highway Superintendent Lavarnway if there had been a change in the plowing of Rt. 30 Lavarnway said in the past two years a new foreman in Wells feels it is safer for his trucks to turn around in the upper North parking lot, we turnaround in the South parking lot.

Highway: Lavarnway reported that all trucks are doing well the new truck that has been order has been pushed out for delivery to Jan. 15. The backhoe is being repaired by an outside contractor. The contractor should be done soon he is waiting on a new pin. No snowmobile trails have been groomed yet waiting on snow. The crew are cutting trees along the roads.
The zone valve has been changed for the heating system in the Primary Care.

Old Business: Supervisor Bain and Highway Superintendent Lavarnway were scheduled to mark the highwater mark at 175 Golf Course Rd but due to bad weather they need to reschedule. Supervisor Bain said that the County and the Village are waiting on hearing from the Town on the MOU regarding Verizon putting up small cell towers on municipal property. Former Supervisor Wilt felt why spend the money if the Village Attorney and the County Attorney were reviewing it. Bain has an appointment with the County this week on this matter. Supervisor Bain

also let the Board know that the contract was signed for the replacement of the LED light fixtures and sent to Potentia Management Group so the work can be started.

RESOLUTION #3 That Deputy Supervisor Neil McGovern is named as the Voting Delegate at the Annual Business Session of the Association of Towns of the State of New York being held on Feb. 16- 19, 2020.
Offered by Nancy Seifts 2nd Don Braunius
Adopted by the following vote: Ayes-All Nays-None

RESOLUTION #4 2020 Town Appointments-
Deputy Supervisor-Neil McGovern
Budget Officer-Betsy Bain
Attorney for Town-Young & Sommer
Historian-Annie Weaver
Official Bank-NBT
Health Insurance Rep.-Deborah O'Rourke
Justice Court Clerk-Deborah O'Rourke
Deputy Court Clerk-Faith Cleveland
Deputy Clerk-Faith Cleveland
Animal Control Officer- Mike Peck
Deputy Animal Control Officer-Laura Peck
Registrar of Vital Statistics & Handicap Permit Issuer-Deborah O'Rourke
Purchasing Agent-Betsy Bain
Youth Recreation Director-Samantha Desrochers
Park & Recreation Foreman- Randolph Lavarnway
Refuse & Recyclable Foreman-Randolph Lavarnway
Zoning Officer Code Enforcement Officer-Robert Benkovich
Official Newspaper-Hamilton County Express
Offered by Nancy Seifts 2nd by Cristine Meixner
Adopted by the following vote: Ayes-All Nays-None

RESOLUTION #5 Authorizations for Superintendent of Highways to make purchases of tools etc. at a cost not to exceed $2,999 and to buy oil, tires, salt at state contract pricing.
Offered by Neil McGovern 2nd by Don Braunius
Adopted by the following vote: Ayes-All Nays-None

RESOLUTION #6 Set mileage for town employees @ .58 for reimbursement.
Offered by Don Braunius 2nd by Nancy Seifts
Adopted by the following vote: Ayes-All Nays-None

RESOLUTION#7 Town of Lake Pleasant to adopt the Holiday schedule as established by Hamilton County on file.
Offered by Nancy Seifts 2nd Don Braunius
Adopted by the following vote: Ayes-All Nays-None

RESOLUTION# 8 That a regularly scheduled Town Board meetings will be held at the Lake Pleasant Public Library, 2864 State Hwy. 8, Speculator NY at 7:00 p.m. on the first and third Monday of each month, or as otherwise published and/or posted. There will not be a meeting on a Monday Holiday.
Offered by Nancy Seifts 2nd Neil McGovern
Adopted by the following vote: Ayes-All Nays-None

RESOLUTION # 9 Salaries of elected officials and appointed personnel are set forth as established in the 2020 Town Budget
Offered by Nancy Seifts 2nd by Neil McGovern
Adopted by the following vote: Ayes-All Nays-None

RESOLUTION #10 LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Nancy Welch 01/01/2020-12/31/2023
Offered by Neil McGovern 2nd by Don Braunius
Adopted by the following vote: Ayes – All Nays-None

RESOLUTION #11 Town Clerk/Tax Collectors office hours will be 9:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M. Monday-Friday
Offered by Don Braunius 2nd by Nancy Seifts
Adopted by the following vote Ayes-All Nays-None

Town Clerk Deborah O'Rourke read the copy of the New York State Training Brief outline and resolutions that will be voted on at the 2020Training School and Annual Meeting Feb. 16-19, 2020 in New York City for Association of Towns.

New Business: Karen McComb President of the Board of Library Trustees wanted the public to know that there is an opening on the Trustees Board, if anyone is interested please contact one of the trustees with a letter of interest. Karen informed the Board that the library is working on becoming a federal depository library. Councilperson McGovern asked if there was a letter done to thank Frank Mezzano for all his years as Trustee, Karen said at their meeting tomorrow they will be addressing Frank's service and a thank you.
The Board approved Supervisor Bain to sign the 2020 with James Brennan Human Society with a couple of changes the cost of this is $500.00 per year.
The paper work has been filled out by Superintendent Lavarnway and Supervisor Bain for the reimbursement from FEMA for the town infrastructure repairs that are needed after the October storm. There will be a meeting on this on Jan. 14 at the Lake Pleasant Firehouse.
Supervisor Bain has been given the computer used by former Supervisor Wilt. Her new email is supervisor@lakepleasantny.org and her cell phone is on order her number will 518-571-1086

The next Board meeting will be held on Tuesday Jan. 21 at the Town Municipal Center at 4:30 p.m. due to Martin Luther King Jr. holiday on Monday Jan. 20.

RESOLUTION #12 APPROVE AUDIT OF ABSTRACT # 1
Voucher # 842-853Amount $90,208.22
OFFERED BY Neil McGovern 2nd Nancy Seifts

RESOLVED, that all bills in the following funds be paid as present.
ADOPTED by the following vote. Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius AYES-ALL NAYS-NONE

RESOLUTION #13 TO ACCEPT ALL TRANSFER MADE BY ACCOUNT CLERK, KATHLEEN AIRD. (see attached)
OFFERED BY Nancy Seifts, 2nd by Don Braunius
RESOLVED, that all transfers be approved made by Account Clerk
ADOPTED by the following vote. Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius AYES-ALL NAYS-NONE

Public Comment: Councilperson Seifts asked Peter Newell who has completed setting up new emails for all Board members about a warning sign she had gotten when she went into Towpath to check her email he said to disregard.

Roundtable: Councilperson Meixner hoped that the new Board will address the septic inspections idea that Zoning/Code Officer Robert Benkovich suggested in the past. Councilperson McGovern is familiar with the Town of Inlet procedure and he feels very strong about the inspections. Councilperson Meixner reported that DOT does not have Rt. 8 & 30 on its projects lists for 2020, Supervisor Bain said both will be addressed.
Councilperson McGovern would like to see SPARC supported again, this stands for Speculator Arietta Regional Council. This was started years ago and he would hope to get it up and running again. Further discussion.
Supervisor Bain wanted to let everyone know that former Supervisor Wilt has been great in helping make the transition a smooth one.
Highway Superintendent asked the Board if they want him to start drawing up the contracts with the local snowmobile clubs for grooming. He normally would have started doing this but has not received the vouchers parks and recs on how much the Town will be receiving. The Board suggested he go ahead a get the contracts started. Supervisor Bain told Superintendent Lavarnway if he needed help, she would be available.

7:45 p.m. Public hearing was open for anyone to address Local Law #1 2020 which is an Amendment to Local Law #1 2011 Prohibiting the Parking of Vehicles on all Highways, Roads, Public Streets, Shoulders, and Right of Way in the Town of Lake Pleasant.

***ON A MOTION BY Nancy Seifts 2nd by Cristine Meixner TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION 7:50 P.M. to discuss the job performance of an employee.
*** ON A MOTION BY Cristine Meixner 2nd by Nancy Seifts TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION 8:13 p.m.
No action taken at this time.

***ON A MOTION BY, Nancy Seifts, 2ND BY Neil McGovern TO ADJOURN AT 8:15 P.M. ALL IN FAVOR.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah O'Rourke, Town Clerk