March 25, 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 March 15, 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, Nancy Seifts, Don Braunius
Town Clerk: Deborah O'Rourke
Highway Superintendent Randy Lavarnway
Guests: Gary Rhinehart (Dackland Radio)
Zoom-Richard Meyers, Deputy Town Clerk Faith Cleveland, Library Pres. Karen McComb

RESOLUTION #35 APPROVE MINUTES OF MARCH 1, 2021
OFFERED BY Neil McGovern 2nd by Don Braunius
RESOLVED, that the minutes of March 1, 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 roads will be posted as soon as this Friday depending on weather. Snowmobile grooming has come to an end. Auctions International has received an offer for the 2006 Yamaha Snowmobile $2,250 Lavarnway agreed to the offer. There seems to be a solution to the problem with the Library Roof, the Town will purchase the vents and the Contractor will install at no cost. There seemed to be excessive heat in the roof so Randy would like to investigate rolled insulation that would offset the spray foam insulation in the attic area. Cristine has several rolls of insulation that she would be willing to donate. Lavarnway will get back to the Board as to whether blown insulation or rolled insulation is the best for the job. Supervisor Bain says the job has be done.
FEMA reimbursement money has been coming into the Town NYS has picked up 12.5 % Lavarnway reported that the Town is going to get the 20% that was cut out last year and it will be put in our rollover money for this year and the State is not going to cut the CHIPS money. Cristine says that it is because NYS is getting bail-out money from COVID relief bill. Highway crew will be finishing the siding on the old bus garage as soon as the material comes in.
The Town Attorney Laura Darling is working directly with RJ from Auctions International who has been on vacation on the sale of 175 Golf Course Road so hopefully the auction can start very soon.

Old Business: Supervisor Bain reported still no word from R/O owners Blenis and Samuelson on the letter the Town sent to them. Nancy asked if the letters were sent by registered mail Betsy responded yes. Question asked if they don't sign Cristine suggested that the letters be hand delivered when they are here this summer.

BTI report: Supervisor Bain reported that they are still working on training 2 new people. Town Clerk was asked to change the BTI posters to read Help Wanted.
Tennis Courts: Supervisor Bain sent a copy of the current contract between the Town and County. It was renewed in 2014 for 10 years. No further discussion until then.

RESOLUTION # 36 AUTHORIZING A CAPITAL REPAIR TENNIS COURT FUND RETROACTIVE TO 2020 BUDGET
OFFERED BY Cristine Meixner 2nd by Neil McGovern
(See Attached)

RESOLUTION #37 AUTHORIZING A CAPITAL RESERVE TRUCK FUND RETROACTIVE TO 2019 BUDGET
OFFERED BY Nancy Seifts, 2nd by Cristine Meixner
(See attached)

RESOLUTION #38 AUTHORIZING A CAPITAL RESERVE LOADER RETROACTIVE TO 2019 BUDGET
OFFERED BY Neil McGovern 2nd by Don Braunius
(See attached)

RESOLUTION #39 AUTHORIZING A CAPITAL RESERVE GARBAGE TRUCK FUND RETROACTIVE TO 2019 BUDGET
OFFERED BY Neil McGovern 2nd by Cristine Meixner
(See attached)

Old Business:
RESOLUTION #40 TOWN BOARD TO REVIEW THE TOWN JUSTICE 2020 REPORTS
OFFERED BY Neil McGovern 2nd by Don Braunius
WHEREAS, the Town Board is required annually to audit the financial reports of the Town Justices in accordance with Section 2109-a of the Uniform Justice Court Act and said fiduciary duty is memorialized into the minutes of the Board's proceedings
RESOLVED, that the Town Board accepts the Audit Report of Judge Purdy and Judge Smith for the year 2020
ADOPTED by the following vote. Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius. Nays-None

RESOLUTION #41 THE BOARD APPROVED MARK HUGHES TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW (BAR)TO FILL THE VACANCY MADE BY CAROL WALLER 04/01/2021-09/30/2021
OFFERED BY Don Braunius 2nd by Neil McGovern
RESOLVED, that Mark Hughes will fill the vacancy on the BAR until 09/30/2021
ADOPTED by the following vote. Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Neil McGovern, Cristine Meixner, Don Braunius
Real Property Tax Director Barry Baker will set up training within the next couple of weeks.

After much discussion the Town Board Meetings will go back to 7:00 p.m. at the Lake Pleasant Library.

New Business:
Library President Karen McComb gave 2020 Library Report. (See Attached)
A special thanks to Beth Knapp for contacting various artists to display their work at the Library, it is a great addition. Caitlin Stewart has volunteered to do public relations work for the Library. Don Braunius asked how many visited the Library during COVID there was no comparison to 2019, more e-books. Karen will get the numbers to Don. Cristine Meixner suggested to start charging maybe $5.00 to non- residents to use the Library to raise money. Further discussion. Supervisor Bain informed the Board that the Bus Garage Lease between the Town and the School expires June 9, 2021. The Board was sent a copy of the present lease to look over to see if there any changes that should be made to the contract. The Lift has been paid off. Lavarnway made many suggestions: replacement of bay doors in the future, a furnace will need to be replaced within 10 years. Cristine Meixner would like to see the new lease adjusted for inflation Neil McGovern agreed.
Further discussion.

Discussion on raising dog licensing fees: changes made Dogs not neutered or spayed will go from $11.50 to $13.00 Dogs neutered or spayed $3.50-$5.00. Town Clerk will adjust the fees.

RESOLUTION #42 TO CHANGE DOG REGISTRATION FEES
OFFERED BY Christine Meixner 2nd by Don Braunius
$11.50 to $13.00 for Non neutered or not spayed $3.50 to $5.00 for dogs that are spayed or neutered.
ADOPTED by the following vote. Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius Nays-None

RESOLUTION #43 THE BOARD HAS AGREED TO RENEW THE LANDFILL POST CLOSURE MONITORING WITH ADIROANDACK LANDFILL SERVICES
OFFERED BY Cristine Meixner 2nd by Neil McGovern
One inspection in the fall for a cost of $2,032.
ADOPTED by the following vote. Ayes: Supervisor Bain, Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius Nays :None
Cristine Meixner just wanted to remind everyone that the cost is shared with Arietta, Speculator, Morehouse and Wells.

Committee Reports: Recreation Committee, Nancy Seifts has suggested maybe offering horse back riding lessons to the kids. They will speak to Rec. Director Sammy Desrochers and look into lessons with Yoder Stables. Nancy Seifts will contact Sammy about summer activities.
Neil McGovern reported the septic law committee has taken a step back from a New Local Law with the Village. He would like to see more of an input on ideas for enforcement and inspections. He is going to meet with the Lake Pleasant Sacandaga Association. A start to consider is when property changes hands the septic would then be tested. Supervisor Bain said we should start off slow and that Lenny Croote from Soil and Water would be a great guide on this.

Supervisor Bain announced March 18 from 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. and March 19 same time there will be vaccine clinics please contact her if anyone is in need of a vaccine.

RESOLUTION #44 APPROVE AUDIT OF ABSTRACT #9
Voucher #1028-1036 Amount $10,639.86 ABSTRACT #10
Voucher #1037-1075 Amount $11,812.45
OFFERED BY Don Braunius 2nd by Nancy Seifts
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

Public Comment: Richard Meyers asked if the next meeting April 5 if Zoom will still be available for the Public, yes to the question.
***ON A MOTION BY Don Braunius 2ND by Neil McGovern
TO ADJOURN 6:45 p.m.
ALL IN FAVOR.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah O'Rourke, Town Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 36

AUTHORIZING A CAPITAL REPAIR TENNIS COURT FUND RETROACTIVE TO 2020 BUDGET

DATE: March 15, 2021

BY Cristine Meixner 2nd Neil McGovern

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 6-C of the General Municipal Law, the Town Board desires to accrue funds for the repairs to the Town Owned Tennis Courts.

WHEREAS, the Town Board hereby establishes a capital repair fund to be known as the" Tennis Courts Repair Fund"

WHEREAS, the purpose of this reserve fund is to accumulate moneys to finance the cost of Tennis Court repairs. The specific repairs are to be financed from the Reserve fund A7140.401

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of such repairs is estimated at $50,000
The Board has authorized the amount of $5,000 to be put in the reserve fund starting with 2020 Budget until the time of the repairs need to be done

WHEREAS, the Board can adjust dollar amounts if needed

WHEREAS, This Resolution is subject to a permissive referendum

Adopted by the following vote.

Ayes: Supervisor Betsy Bain, Councilpersons: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius

Nays: None

RESOLUTION NO. 37

AUTHORIZING A CAPITAL RESERVE TRUCK FUND RETROACTIVE TO 2019 BUDGET

DATE: March 15, 2021

BY Nancy Seifts 2nd Cristine Meixner

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 6-C of the General Municipal Law, the Town Board desires to accrue funds for the future purchase of a Truck

WHEREAS, the Town Board hereby establishes a capital reserve fund to be known as the "Truck Reserve Fund"

WHEREAS, the purpose of this reserve fund is to accumulate moneys to finance the cost of Truck. The specific Truck is to be financed from the Reserve fund DA 5130.201.

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of such Truck is estimated at $250,000
The Board has authorized the amount of $50,000 to be put in the reserve fund starting with 2020 Budget until the time of the purchase.

WHEREAS, the Board can adjust dollar amounts if needed

WHEREAS, This Resolution is subject to a permissive referendum

Adopted by the following vote.

Ayes: Supervisor Betsy Bain, Councilpersons: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius

Nays: None

RESOLUTION NO. 38

AUTHORIZING A CAPITAL RESERVE LOADER FUND RETROACTIVE TO 2019 BUDGET

DATE: March 15, 2021

BY Neil McGovern 2nd Don Braunius

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 6-C of the General Municipal Law, the Town Board desires to accrue funds for the future purchase of a Loader

WHEREAS, the Town Board hereby establishes a capital reserve fund to be known as the "Loader Reserve Fund"

WHEREAS, the purpose of this reserve fund is to accumulate moneys to finance the cost of a Loader. The specific Loader is to be financed from the Reserve fund DB5130.201

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of such Loader is estimated at $120,000 The Board has authorized the amount of $15,000 to be in the reserve fund starting with 2019 Budget until the time of the purchase.

WHEREAS, the Board can adjust dollar amounts if needed.

WHEREAS, This Resolution is subject to a permissive referendum

Adopted by the following vote.

Ayes: Supervisor Betsy Bain, Councilpersons: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius

Nays: None

RESOLUTION NO. 39

AUTHORIZING A CAPITAL RESERVE GARBAGE TRUCK FUND RETROACTIVE TO 2019 BUDGET

DATE: March 15, 2021

BY Neil McGovern 2nd Cristine Meixner

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 6-C of the General Municipal Law, the Town Board desires to accrue funds for the future purchase of a Garbage Truck

WHEREAS, the Town Board hereby establishes a capital reserve fund to be known as the" Garbage Truck Reserve Fund"

WHEREAS, the purpose of this reserve fund is to accumulate moneys to finance the cost of a Garbage Truck. The specific Garbage Truck is to be financed from the Reserve fund SR 8160.201.

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of such Garbage Truck is estimated at $160,000
The Board has authorized the amount of $12,000 to be put in the reserve fund starting with 2019 Budget until the time of the purchase.

WHEREAS, the Board can adjust dollar amounts if needed

WHEREAS, This Resolution is subject to a permissive referendum

Adopted by the following vote.

Ayes: Supervisor Betsy Bain Councilperson: Nancy Seifts, Cristine Meixner, Neil McGovern, Don Braunius

Nays: None

FROM THE DIRECTOR

Sherry Matthews

This past year has been challenging to our community; Covid-19 has changed life for everyone. The Lake Pleasant Public Library worked hard to make a difference in our communities. March 13, 2020 was the first day we were closed due to the pandemic. Within a week, the library was open to those who called and we provided contactless pickup. With restrictions required by the State of New York, we began everything from cleaning high touch areas, encouraging people not to linger (when our doors finally opened) to quarantining items coming into the library.

Each year we bring programs to our community that is covering a range of topics. Covid-19 put a severe restriction on one of the best aspects of the library. Late in 2020, we began an abbreviated Lego program. We limited the number of children and the program instructor was the only one to handle the Legos from the big box. The children were excited and not deterred at all. We were able to hold our Halloween Celebration and saw a large number of children and parents.

As restrictions eased up, we began to see a more significant number of our patrons. We started to operate at 50% in May and people began to return slowly. I'm optimistic 2021 will be a remarkable improvement over the previous year.

Board of Trustees

Karen McComb, President
Nancy Welch, Vice-President
Nancy Seifts, Treasurer
Toni Morrison, Secretary
Nancy Germain
Kathy O'Connell
Amy Peters
Beth Knapp

Staff

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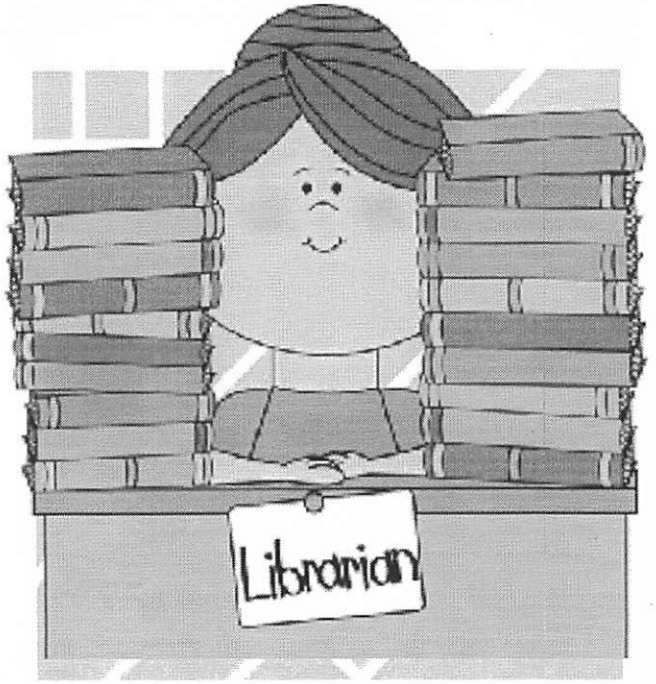
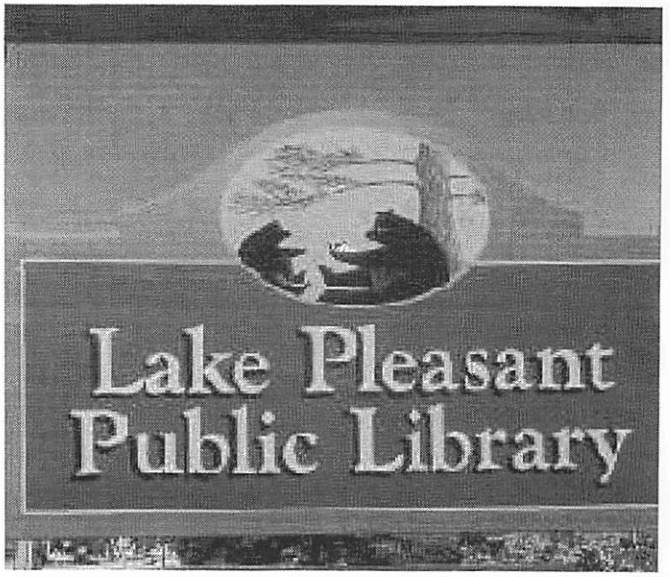
Roxanne Cook, Library Assistant
Gary Rhinehart, Jr.



Report to the Community
2020



Town of Lake Pleasant Public Library

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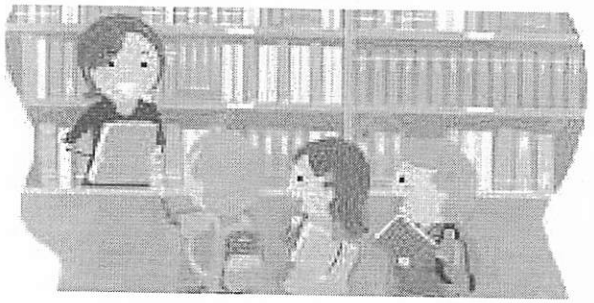
2020
THE YEAR IN NUMBERS

5,332

Patrons visited the library!



649
Resident cardholders

865
Non-resident cardholders

5,524

Total number of items circulated

29,794

Items in our collection

...10,250 books
....16,775 e-books (SALS
.... Audio books download
....2,769 physical audio & video

Circulated Items by our Patrons

Adult books	2,657
children's books	1,289
other materials (DVD's, etc)	1,578
electronic materials	
e-books	1,035

474 children attended 44 library events (Story time, Trunk of Treats, Lego Club, etc.)

653 adults enjoyed our library for
.....events
.....board meetings
.....dance/art classes
.....community groups

3,230

Wi Fi Sessions



256

Computer Users