

TOWN BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2016

Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on the above date beginning at 7:00 in the Meeting Room of the North Elba Town Hall, 2693 Main Street, Lake Placid, New York.

Members Present: Supervisor Politi, Councilman Favro, Councilman Miller, Councilman Doty, Councilman Rand, and Jessica Scriver

Others Present: Larry Straight, William Hulshoff, Georgia Jones, Margaret Murphy, Brendan Wiltse, John Eldridge, Bill Billerman, Chris Knight, Tony Olivero

Supervisor Politi opened the Regular Town Board meeting at 7:00 pm by asking everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Politi asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting for December 8, 2015 and the 2016 Organizational Meeting.

Councilman Favro moved and Councilman Miller seconded the motion to approve the minutes as written and presented. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

BILL BILLERMAN- MIRROR LAKE WATER QUALITY TESTING

Supervisor Politi invited Bill Billerman up to speak with the board.

Bill Billerman- For the last 2 years the Mirror Lake Water Association has been involved in some testing with the Ausable River Association and the Adirondack Lake Assessment Program. Results are showing us that there is toxicity happening on the bottom of the lake due to road salt. What we want to do is be able to test all through the year to see how the road salts in the spring runoff summer and winter affects the lake. There is an increase in road salt showing up in the bottom of the lake so the lake is being stratified with confinement of fish habitat. We want to expand these tests to measure the impact of the salt more thoroughly and see what we can do to make a plan to lessen the salt. This is a request for the Town Board as we have done with the Village Board to help us with funding, the funding is about \$4330.00 which we will be taking a part of and we also have someone else who is going to be helping us contributing \$1000.00 from an organization in the town. The Village is going to help financially also we would like to see if the Town Board would be able to help us fund this important testing. What I think this testing will do for us in the long run is give us data we can use to push agency like the Dept. of Transportation and Dept. of Environmental Conservation to show what the impact of the salt is. At this point I would like to have Brendan give you a little more of an overview of what the test are and what they will show.

Brendan Wiltse- So as Bill said we did some initial testing this summer that shows the lake chemically stratifies. This is something that is not natural for a lake in our area to do and we also saw that bottom waters of the lake lack oxygen and that happens pretty early in the season. We don't know if those two things are related or not and this monitoring will help us figure that out. Our concerns with the chemical stratification is that if that becomes strong enough it can prevent the lake from turning over in the spring and fall which is necessary to provide oxygen throughout the water column which is necessary for the fish habitat in the lake. So the testing that we

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propose as the Mirror Lake Watershed Association first is the Adirondack Lake Assessment program. This is the program that Mirror Lake was enrolled in for the first time in 2014 that showed us that the surface water concentrations are at 39mg per liter when other lakes in the Adirondack have .24mg per liter. That's puts Mirror Lake in the 97% of all of the lakes in the program there are 72 lakes enrolled. There are only a few lakes that show higher chloride concentration than Mirror Lake one of them being Upper Cascade Lakes. Upper Cascade Lake also chemically stratifies. We did some additional work which was collecting vertical chemical samples of temperature dissolved oxygen conductivity and pH to give us that profile. The extended monitoring during winter is just doing temperature dissolved oxygen conductivity and pH. We continue that through fall and we would like to continue that through winter and spring. That will let us see when the road salt is going into the lake and where in the lake its going. Based on data we collected this summer our best guess is that run off is so silicified that it is heavier than the water in the lake and so in underflows all the fresh water in Mirror Lake goes right to the bottom and sits there. That is why we see this profile in the summer of it being high concentrations on the top of the water but even higher on the bottom. The next item the Storm Water Outfall Inventory and Monitoring we feel it important to know where most of the salt is coming from so we go around all the outfalls on Mirror Lake and measure what is coming out of those in spring run off period. If we can see where the salt is coming from and I think that will help all parties involved. Those of us that interested in the lake Town, Village and State will know where we should focus our efforts to resolve this problem. Last item Hypolimnetic Water Sampling we want to start collecting the water samples from the bottom of the lake we can run them through a lab and get a more detailed idea of what is going on. We don't know specifically how much chloride is down on the bottom. Sending those samples off to the Adirondack Water Shed Institute will give us that information.

Supervisor Politi- For my information the salt goes in during cold winter months and deposits in the lake.

Brendan Wiltse- Most of it makes it in the lake portions of the winter. We do see the salt right now making its way to the river.

Supervisor Politi- Does the salt have a greater affect when the lakes warms up or does it have the same affect all year long?

Brendan Wiltse- If its flowing in the bottom of the lake causing the stratification the timing of that occurring along with the lake warming up and stratifying on its own from temperature those two things are open on when they occur. Whether the melting could influence the spring turn over which is very important to getting oxygen in the water column to support the lake trout. We see that by the end of the summer there really is only about 2 years of water that is really suitable for lake trout. The upper portion gets really warm which is natural and the bottom losses oxygen which maybe a natural phenomenal or exasperated by road salt we don't know that at this point in time. Keeping an eye on how much habitat that is left in the lake every year before its turns over is important.

Councilman Miller- I assume the test are so that you can prove what you most likely already know which is that road salt is a problem. Hopefully that data will give you an argument to

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present to the entities that are causing the issue to change the way we handle what we do. Are those entities receptive toward reacting to the changes that the report comes with?

Bill Billerman- It's a challenge. We are going to try getting you on board with us along with the Village and amend practices. But we need the ammunition and this is part of that.

Brandon Wiltse- I also think this sort of work is important to know if the Town, Village and State decide to do something differently it provides a base line to measure how affective those changes are. If you change your management practices on the road is it actually changing the water quality of the lakes.

Councilman Miller- Is there a solution to the problem. I know you and I spoke years ago and the sand isn't necessarily good for the lake either.

John Eldridge- I had a thought tonight as I was driving over here. As a child driving up from Albany it would take 5 hours on a good day. We got to Lake Placid and there was always snow and my father would go down to Sunoco and put on tire chains. The entire time we were here that's how we drove around.

Bill Billerman- There our storm water structures that will harvest sand. They have them on Main Street and vortex units which is harvesting the sand.

Supervisor Politi- For most people who have lived here all their lives in the old days coming up from Keene we were very aware of the white birch that lined both of those lakes they were gorgeous between the Lower and Upper Cascade Lakes and today none of them exist. It's obvious at least to me that road salt has had a major impact on that vegetation and I am sure it has a major impact on our lakes. I think it behooves us all to find a way to rectify this ongoing problem. I am always amazed at the fish pollution in Mirror Lake even after all this time. Going to the beach in November and seeing the size of those lake trout and I know the fishing is still great in the lake. How is that possible if this is the case? What have fisheries said about the impact of the fish in the lake?

Margaret Murphy- I am a fishery biologist. If the DO concentration and the hyperlithium are natural the lake trout have adapted to that over history. If it's not natural then you might start seeing impact. Chemical stratification stronger and inhibits that mixing of the bottom waters that will provide oxygen to the lake. The other thing is I don't know if there are any springs or where any cold water is coming in.

Councilman Rand- It's all spring fed.

Supervisor Politi- It's a lot like Lake Placid completely spring fed.

Margaret Murphy- So its likely areas within the lake they are going to find fish.

Supervisor Politi- Margaret have you seen those lake trout? They have to run 20 pounds they are amazing fish.

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Margaret Murphy- Lake trout are definitely a fish we are looking at wanting to maintain population where they are.

Brandon Wiltse- We don't know a whole lot about impacts of the high chloride concentration on a whole host of organism especially here in the Adirondacks. There has not been a lot of research on this. What we know is we are way beyond the natural levels that occur in this area. Some of the work that has been as far as organism in the lakes feeling negative effects from the level the lake is currently at. It's likely the sole plankton are going to feel it first then fito plankton which is algae. That eventually could be bad for the fish. The fish might not necessarily feel the effects as a direct response to high chloride concentrations. If you remove the sole plankton you also open yourself up to algae blooms occurring in the lake. That can exasperate the oxygen problem. If you have a lot of algae growth and those die and settle on the bottom of the lake bacteria decompose them and they use up the oxygen down there. It pretty complicated in terms of how the lake is going to respond to this problem we just want to know a little bit more about what is happening. In particular to be able to work with everyone involved to gage the success of any changes that we make. Even if its small changes I don't think anyone here expects that tomorrow everyone is going to stop running salt.

Supervisor Poltit- The state is the biggest problem of all.

Brandon Wiltse- Most of us expect to see most of the salt coming of a section of the road that the states maintains and I think that gives all the interested parties the ability to go to the state and say there is a lot of evidence. The water institute did a great study showing the high chloride concentration in the water bodies in the Adirondacks in association with State road salt. It was not strongly associated with local roads and that is because the state has one prescription for how they deal with all the roads while local municipalities deal with things differently.

Supervisor Politi-- The state has been listening to this argument for a long time and they have not been receptive at least to date about doing anything about it. They are great listeners but they are not very good doers. Unfortunately that's the way it is with most state government these days. I don't disagree with you and I think the buck starts here. It makes sense to me to at least do a study to find out what is going on with that water resource which is so important to this community.

Councilman Rand- I think especially in the Adirondacks where water purity and clarity is so important. Out of curiosity does the salt spread equally at all different depths?

Brandon Wiltse- No, May of this past year the lake was chemically stratified and we know that because we lower a probe down that looks at the electrical resistance of the water and salt water puts off electricity easier than fresh water. From that we can see that the lake is more silicified on the bottom and top. We don't know specific compensation that is down there but we know there are more down there. In Mirror Lake it does not spread evenly. Right now some of it is flushing out.

Councilman Rand - A lake like Cascade that is so deep that would pretty difficult to test.

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Brandon Wiltse- We can we have very long cables on the equipment. There was a study commissioned by DOT for the Cascade Lakes years ago that showed the chemical stratification. There hasn't been much follow up research and we as an organization next year hope to change that.

John Eldridge- It's not just Mirror Lake it's also Ausable River and the Chubb River.

Councilman Miller- Government is not always nimble and I know that Bill you being very generous years ago when I first ran for Town board educated me on the water shed and this is one of the issues you brought up 8 years ago. I remember meeting with DOT 5 or 6 years ago and they really not having interest but you are being persistent and I think that's a good thing. It's so important to all of us and to Roby's point maybe the Town and Village need to take a leadership role in saying we need to find a pathway to being more responsible when we handle the roads.

Supervisor Politi- I think you have any opportunity here. The head of DOT is very interested in trying to make things better. He is a good communicator and I think there is an opportunity with the current leadership of DOT for them to take and active interest.

Bill Billerman- Do you think he would be interested in some of our preliminary findings?

Supervisor Politi- Yes, I do. He is a pretty good guy.

Councilman Miller- Are other towns looking at this as well?

Supervisor Politi- Yes Wilmington is being the West Branch of the Ausable is there. Most the town in Essex County are so small. I don't know if they focus on these types of issues like Lake Placid has. Down in Schroon Lake there are dealing with a large lake I am sure there is some effects from salt with the closeness of the North Way. I doubt it's the same intensity as Mirror Lake, Cascade Lakes or Branch of Ausable. Fishing is a very important aspect of our financial resources and it benefits us to try and find a solution. That being said its unfortunate you were not here in September or October when we do out budget because it is long past so we would have to try and figure out where to find money.

Councilman Favro- Is it feasible once you figure this all out how long it will take for Mirror Lake to get back to normal?

Councilman Miller- How much money do you need from the town?

Bill Billerman- We did not say. We as an association have done fundraising and will be able to pay for a portion. Last year we paid for \$800.00 worth of testing. I would expect the same range from us and we have \$1000.00 private donation. The Village is also but they have not set a dollar figure. We didn't ask them for a dollar figure and we are not asking you. What we are looking for is for you to consider how much you may be able to contribute to the testing so we can continue with the fundraising with other organizations as well.

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Supervisor Politi- For us this is a minor expense because after the study is over it may lead to where we would have to change our practices. Change our products that are substantially more expensive than we are utilizing now. Sometimes you have to do this to save what you have.

Councilman Doty- It's a no brainer to go ahead with data. Without the information we are not sure in what direction to go.

Supervisor Politi- I don't think anyone has a problem with your request or you mission because we all live here and love that lake. I don't have a problem with funding \$2000.00.

Councilman Doty- I have a quick questions you said 2 meters and if there is chemical stratification that seems like a very narrow band to support lake trout. This is where there food source is. I do not really understand why they are still doing well. Thermoclines change when the lake mixes over. I use to think I was a good fisherman you could watch those fish come to the top when things were mixing over in the spring and you could harvest them off the top. If in the Fall it is very confined it sounds like a very time sensitive situation.

Margaret Murphy- Ideal habitat is 6 milligrams per liter of oxygen. They can tolerate a little lower maybe 55 to 60 degree temperature they are pretty cold. Finding where that is and right now those conditions are only in about 2 meters of water for a period of time in the summer. That's in the main part of the lake you would have to take points all the way around.

Brandon Wiltse- This is not something that is unique to Mirror Lake either. A lot of people are working that with climate change. The lake stays stratified longer and that warm water serves as a cap over that cold water and that oxygen get used up. So if the lake is staying stratified longer the more likely depleted conditions on the bottom of the lake and you're kind of wedging them into this section of water of ideal habitat.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to approve funding of \$2000.00 for Mirror Lake Water Quality Testing. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

Discussion continued on vortex units and storm drain units around other areas.

APPROVE RAGNAR RELAY- USE OF ROADS & HORSE SHOW GROUNDS

Supervisor Politi- We have a request from Ragner Relay for the use of the Horse Show Grounds and the Town roads for September 23rd and 24th 2016. All of this with proper insurance and agreement to coordinate all pick up of discarded trash and recycling of paper and plastic products on roads and Horse Show Grounds. I think it's a good event.

Councilman Miller moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to approve use of roads and Horse Show Grounds Septembers 23rd and 24th for Ragnar Relay. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

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Derek- No bridge work

Supervisor Politi- They are changing their route. Butch is aware of it.

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION- REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES

Supervisor Politi- I would like to get a Resolution of Appreciation for the Real Property Tax Office. The reason is because when we were calculating our tax cap we made a slight error and the comptroller's office picked it up which results in the tax bills having to be corrected and they did it without question. How many pieces of mail?

Jessica Scriver- We have about 10,000.

Super Politi- Real Property and Essex County did it without questions and I want to write them a thank you note.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to approve resolution of appreciation for Real Property Tax Services. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION- PAVEMENT MGMT SYSTEM PROJECT LP AIRPORT

Supervisor Politi- I need a resolution authorizing the execution of the Capital Project at the airport for Airport Management Pavement Program 1904.70. Local match federal in the amount of \$122,670 state \$6,815 local share \$6,815 total grant \$136,300.

Councilman Rand moved and Councilman Favro seconded the motion to approve resolution authorizing execution of Pavement Management System Project for the Lake Placid Airport. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Supervisor Politi- I believe you all have copies. The big cost is the final payout for Lynn Wilson of vacation and sick time at retirement in the amount of \$12,888.00 primarily paid for by Craig Wood Personnel services.

ACTION	ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	REFERENCE	ADDITIONAL INFO
INCREASE EXPENDITURE	A.1420.0451	LEGAL FEES	2,322.00	VCHR 152612	MILLER, MANNIX ET AL, FOR GRIMDITCH
INCREASE EXPENDITURE	A.5182.0422	STREET LIGHTING.ELECTRICITY	690.48	VCHR 160037	VILLAGE OF LAKE PLACID ELECTRIC DEPT
DECREASE EXPENDITURE	A.1355.101	ASSESSOR PERSONAL SERVICES	(3,012.48)		
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INCREASE EXPENDITURE	DB.5110.0414	ROAD REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE OTHER CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	224.38	VCHR 160091	IVAN ZDRAHAL FOR MIRROR LAKE DR/WHITNEY RD DRAINAGE
DECREASE EXPENDITURE	DB.5112.414	PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS. OTHER CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	(224.38)		
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INCREASE EXPENDITURE	SP.1114.0101	PARK GARAGE PERSONAL SERVICES	338.00	12/31/15 PAYROLL	
DECREASE EXPENDITURE	SP.1114.0417	PARK GARAGE EQUIPMENT REPAIRS	(338.00)		
INCREASE EXPENDITURE	sp.1346.0101	SHOW GROUNDS PERSONAL SERVICES	2,838.91	12/31/15 PAYROLL	
DECREASE EXPENDITURE	SP.1346.0416	SHOW GROUNDS GROUND REPAIRS	(2,838.91)	.	
INCREASE EXPENDITURE	SP.1350.0101	CRAIGWOOD PERSONAL SERVICES	12,288.36	12/31/15 PAYROLL	FINAL VACATION AND SICK TIME PAYOUT TO LYNN WILSON AT RETIREMENT
DECREASE EXPENDITURE	SP.1347.101	TOBOGGAN SLIDE PERSONAL SERVICES	(12,177.98)		
DECREASE EXPENDITURE	SP.8310.0101	ADMINISTRATION PERSONAL SERVICES	(110.38)		
INCREASE EXPENDITURE	SP.1357.101	AIRPORT PERSONAL SERVICES	577.80	12/31/15 PAYROLL	
DECREASE EXPENDITURE	SP.1357.415	AIRPORT BUILDING REPAIRS	(577.80)		
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Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Miller seconded the motion to approve the budget adjustments as written and presented. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR LYNN WILSON

Supervisor Politi- I would like a motion to approve a resolution of appreciation for Lynn Wilson. He worked for 45 years.

Councilman Favro moved and a unanimous seconded to the motion to approve a resolution of appreciation for Lynn Wilson for 45 years of service. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

NE/PUBLIC HEALTH CONTRACT GAS & PARKING

Supervisor Politi- I need formal authorization executing a contract with Essex County for county nurse to be able to park on Town of North Elba property and to be able to purchase gasoline from Town of North Elba which they reimburse us for. This is the same contract we have had for the last 3 or 4 years

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to approve contract with Essex County for gas and parking for county nurse. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

RENEWAL OF CONTRACT- JEREMY MIHILL

Supervisor Politi- We need to renew a contract for Jeremy Mihill as Animal Control Officer for 2016 in consideration of \$10,000 a year to be paid in 26 consecutive installments. Term of contract 1 year starting January 1st running through December 31st same terms and conditions as in the past.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to approve the renewal of contract for Jeremy Mihill as Animal Control Officer for 2016. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

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RENEWAL OF CONTRACT- CRAIG WOOD CONCESSION

Supervisor Politi- We need to renew contract for Craig Wood Concession for 2years. No issues and Butch has reviewed and given his stamp of approval.

Councilman Doty- Let's do it because everything is working.

Councilman Rand- They do a good job.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to approve renewal of contract Craig Wood Concession. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

AWARD COMMERCIAL REAL PROPERTY DATA COLLECTION CONTRACT

Supervisor Politi- The assessor solicited proposals for data collections for commercial, time share and condominium parcels. We talked about this at the workshop there is 2 bids one from GAR Associations and another from KLV Group both in the buffalo area. Upon reviewing the modified proposals the GAR bid is more attuned to our needs and budgetary contract. The cost of the data collections is approximately \$35,000 a year the other bid was in the amount of \$103,000. Quite a large difference primarily because KLV Group did not meet the specific requests of the RFP. Todd seems happy with this group he has talked to them and he is requesting that we move forward giving the bid to GAR Associates and Incorporated Real Estate Consultant and Appraisers.

Councilman Favro moved and Councilman Doty seconded the motion to approve award of commercial real property data collection contract to GAR Associates. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

AGREEMENT- ESSEX COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Supervisor Politi- This needs to be signed for Essex County Board of Elections to use our facilities here at 2693 Main St and also in Saranac Lake for the year 2016. It's basically for the conduct of elections for Federal Primary Election in September and General Election in November.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to approve agreement with Essex County Board of Elections. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

JOE LAMB ORDA RESIGNATION

Supervisor Politi- I received a copy of the resignation from Joe Lamb to the ORDA Board. I want to thank Joe publically for all of his enthusiasm, leadership and passion holding events and moving events into this community. The Lamb family has played a vital role in development of

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sports in Lake placid and we all appreciate his efforts. That being said it's unfortunate that I need a motion to accept this.

Councilman Miller- This is not something we want to do Joe was extremely enthusiastic. He cared, poked and prodded to try to motivate people and ultimately he felt it was in his best interest to leave the board. He was the right pick. It is just unfortunate.

Councilman Doty- With regret I will accept his resignation. When there is a level of frustration it's hard to stay involved and I hope that this is something we can overcome.

Supervisor Politi- Sometimes these types of things lead to positive results in the future.

Councilman Miller- I am concerned about appointing another member who is enthusiastic and we get the same frustration. How do we move forward?

Councilman Doty- I think we assess things as we move forward and try to determine what bounds we are working with.

Councilman Miller- He did a terrific job for the town. I spoke with him often. We all did.

Councilman Doty- He had a great passion and agenda that was going to help both Town and ORDA. We are going to take what he started and hopefully improve on it.

Supervisor Politi- Jay and I grew up with him we know all about his passion and interest in sports in this community

Councilman Miller- Is there any entity that will contact Joe and ask why are you leaving?

Supervisor Politi- Probably not he is our appointment. I have asked him if this is really what he wants to do and he says yes.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to accept Joe Lambs resignation from the ORDA Board. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

APPOINTMENT FOR LEGAL SERVICES- ATTORNEY FOR THE TOWN

Supervisor Politi- I need to execute an agreement for legal services with Ronald Briggs attorney for the town for calendar year 2016. Total fee of \$42,155.35 and be paid an hourly rate for legal services of \$175.00 which is for when he is requested to preform duties that are not in the parameters of legal services and scope of services to the town.

Councilman Rand- He has done a great job for the town every step of the way.

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Councilman Rand moved and Councilman Favro seconded the motion to appointment Ronald Briggs Attorney for Legal Services. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION APPOINT DEPUTY JUSTICE COURT CLERK

Supervisor Politi- We have a resolution requesting the appointment of Deputy Justice Court Clerk.

Supervisor Politi read the following resolution:

Resolution proposing:

**Appointment of Village of Lake Placid Justice Court Clerk as
Deputy Justice Court Clerk for the Town of North Elba**

Whereas, the Town of North Elba recognizes the need to have an individual perform justice court clerk duties in those instances when the Town Justice Court Clerk is otherwise unable to do so.

Whereas, Justice Dietrich and Justice Hulshoff of the Town of North Elba and Justice Hulshoff of the Village of Lake Placid do recommend and consent to the following resolution,

Resolved, The Village of Lake Placid Justice Court Clerk is hereby appointed as a deputy justice court clerk for the Town of North Elba Justice Court.

Further Resolved, The Town of North Elba approves of the appointment of the Town of North Elba Justice Court Clerk as deputy justice court clerk for the Village of Lake Placid Justice Court.

Councilman Rand moved and Councilman Miller seconded the motion to approve resolution to appoint Deputy Justice Court Clerk. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

AWARD BID- 2016 TANDEM AXLE 6X4 DUMP TRUCK- HIGHWAY

Supervisor Politi- You received three bids and two from Albany Truck.

Larry Straight- The first bid had the sanding equipment I specified. The second the cheaper one was a different box they wanted to bid.

Supervisor Politi- Yes this one is \$183,640 which is about \$12,500 cheaper and the third was from Burr Truck in the amount \$176,355.00. You reviewed these and went over the specification and recommend accepting the lowest responsible bid Burr Truck in the amount of \$176, 355.00.

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Larry Straight- That is correct.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Favro seconded the motion to approve awarding bid for 2016 Dump Truck to Burr Truck. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF 2016 VOLVO PLOW TRUCK

Supervisor Politi- We need approval to spend highway money on new machinery. First one is for a 2016 Volvo Plow Truck the maximum price of \$176,355.00 to be delivered to Town of North Elba by June 1st 2016. This is a requirement by your highway department.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Favro seconded the motion to approve resolution authorizing purchase of 2016 Volvo Plow Truck. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Doty; Aye, Councilman Miller; Aye, Councilman Rand; Aye, Councilman Favro; Aye, Supervisor Politi; Aye

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF 2016 FORD SUPER CAB 4X4 TRUCK

Supervisor Politi- I also have a resolution authorizing the purchase of a 2016 Ford Super Cab 4X4 with a 6 ¾ box in the amount \$30, 625.80 to be purchased on state contract. To be delivered June 2016.

Councilman Rand moved and Councilman Favro seconded the motion to approve purchase of 2016 Ford Super Cab 4X4 trucks. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Doty; Aye, Councilman Miller; Aye, Councilman Rand; Aye, Councilman Favro; Aye, Supervisor Politi; Aye

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF 2016 FORD CREW CAB 4X4 TRUCK

Supervisor Politi- We need authorization of the purchase of a 2016 Ford 250XL Crew Cab in the amount of \$30, 536.00 to be delivered June 1, 2016.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to approve purchase of 2016 Ford 250XL Crew Cab 4X4 trucks. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Doty; Aye, Councilman Miller; Aye, Councilman Rand; Aye, Councilman Favro; Aye, Supervisor Politi; Aye

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BOND RESOLUTION- DUMP TRUCK AND 2 PICK UP TRUCKS

Supervisor Politi- I need a bond resolution to pay for these three vehicles. The serial bond of the Town of North Elba in the amount not to exceed \$250,000 for the purchase of the 2016 Tandem Dump Truck, 2016 Super Cab pickup truck and a 2016 crew cab pickup truck.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to approve bond resolution for dump truck and two pickup trucks. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

Roll Call Vote: Councilman Doty; Aye, Councilman Miller; Aye, Councilman Rand; Aye, Councilman Favro; Aye, Supervisor Politi; Aye

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION- LUMP SUM AGREEMENT 5 BAY T-HANGAR

Supervisor Politi- I need a resolution authorizing the lump sum agreement for the 5 bay t-hangars and to allow supervisor to execute contract with the New York State Department of Transportation for said project.

Councilman Miller moved and Councilman Favro seconded the motion to approve resolution authorizing execution lump sum agreement 5 bay t-hangars. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

Councilman Doty- Both of these projects pavement and lighting are starting next summer?

Supervisor Politi- No, when the grant comes through we have to do paperwork and they will tell us when the project will start. It hasn't even gone out to bid.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION- LUMP SUM AGREEMENT- TAXIWAY LIGHTING

Supervisor Politi- Next is a resolution for lump sum agreement for signage replacement and replace lights. Pin number 1904.70 to be executed with New York State of Transportation.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to approve resolution authorizing execution of contracts of Lump Sum Agreement for Signage and Taxiway Lighting at Airport. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

IRONMAN APPROVAL 2016

Supervisor Politi- We need approval of the World Cup Triathlon Organization race here in Lake Placid. The 18th annual Ironman scheduled for July 24, 2016. As normal they will work with State Police, Essex County office of Emergency Services and Office of Transportation regarding safety and traffic control and provide the necessary insurance as well as garbage clean up and recycling.

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Councilman Miller moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to approve the 18th annual Ironman race for July 24, 2016. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS CRAIG WOOD BRIDGE & GAZEBO

Councilman Doty- We went under emergency repair for the golf cart bridge that expands the brook and golf cart traffic out of the road. We have completed about 50% which was new cement footers and steel framing. The wooden rails and decking will be put on in the spring. The bridge is better than ever. Big thanks to Jack Irvin he has been so good to the town and a huge thanks to our own crew you helped to get it done. A lot of in kind services we didn't have to pay for and Larry has helped out tremendously with every aspect out there getting the road ready. Because of all those late fall improves Roby could go out and golf on Christmas Eve!

Supervisor Politi- We were packed there were 32 cars in the parking lot!

Councilman Rand- We got some great compliments on the gazebo also.

Councilman Doty- We will probably put up wainscoting on the walls so screen won't get ripped and a few benches in there. Craig Wood interest with our employees is at an all-time high they are very into small improvements that are very noticeable.

Supervisor Politi- Jeff Estes has really made a difference.

COMMITTEE REPORTS BIODIGESTER

Councilman Miller- Derek and I met with Tammy Morgan, INCA Biofirm and NYSERDA and we got some disappointing news They didn't price in labor cost as having to be prevailing wages. There also was some concern over the energy we can make from the food waste that we are going to put in biodigester that caused them to think we will need to put more waste in to get the numbers that we need to qualify for grant. It puts us at a projected \$100,000 over budget for the grant. Biofirm is trying to find where we can cut or make changes so we can afford to do it. It was a concerning meeting.

Councilman Doty- In the same realm still encouraging the contracting entity is willing to forgo engineering cost to help make this projects go forward.

Councilman Miller- They said they wanted to do it at cost to keep this project going. I had more phone calls with John Barry after meeting to see if we can get together to make this work.

COMMITTEE REPORTS SARANAC LAKE YOUTH PROGRAM

Councilman Doty-Harriestown has decided to step up as administrator for the program only after they confirmed with the Village of Saranac Lake that they were out. There has been no official vote that we know of. In the late summer early fall there was an attempt by Paul Vancott to put it back on the table. Now that we had restored a lot of concerns the Village had. We have a new leader and much better funding. We fixed all there concerns however it still look like the Village

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wants out. Harrietstown is going to elect there representative to the program Thursday. This will be Mac Rands first year taking everything over he had employees last year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS STATE OF NEW YORK 2005 TRANSPORTATION BOND ACT

Supervisor Politi- Did you all see that New York State contacted us regarding the 2005 Transportation Bond Act we got at the Airport. We extended and extended and the grant runs out April 1, 2016. The pads have been poured the 12,000 gallon jet fuel tank has been ordered but we are not sure if it will be in place by April 1st. Any expenditure after that date will not be covered by the grant. I have requested that NYS Dept. of Transportation Aviation Bureau grant us some kind of extension.

Larry Straight- My understanding is that the tank should be built this month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS ADIRONDACK FOUNDATION

Supervisor Politi- Adirondack Foundation sent a notice of a \$1700 donation for hockey box for the purpose of maintenance and up keep for that facility.

APPROVE AUDITS AS PER AUDIT #'S

Supervisor Politi asked for approval of the Audits.

A FUND GENERAL FUND	84,117.26	79,281.28	163,398.54
B FUND GENERAL OUTSIDE VILLAGE	42.89		42.89
DB FUND TOWN OUTSIDE VILLAGE HIGHWAY	63,349.41	33,697.45	97,046.86
H42 EQUIPMENT PURCHASE	38.64		38.64
H44-ATHLETIC FIELDS	-	149,076.60	149,076.60
SP PARK DISTRICT	36,364.91	56,890.62	93,255.53
SS21 CONSOLIDATED SEWER DISTRICT		5,566.74	5,566.74
SW3 RAY BROOK	381.35	6,536.14	6,917.49
1549-1601	\$ 184,294.46	\$ 331,048.83	\$ 515,343.29
152374; 152545-152558; 152560-152564; 152566-152568; 152594-152601;			
152604-152612; 152614-152648; 152650; 152674-152681; 160001-160005;			
160010-160020; 160024-160049; 160051-160061; 160063-160065; 160067-			
160101			
Batch 999 (Payroll & Health Reimbursement Arrangement)	\$ -	\$ 76,274.40	\$ 76,274.40
152459-152483; 152569-152593; 152602-152603; 152649; 152651-152673;			
160021-160023			
Batch - HELD		\$ (45.00)	\$ (45.00)
152376			
DELETED VOUCHERS:			
152565; 152682; 160006-160009			

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Councilman Miller moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to approve the Audits as written and presented. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.

PRESS QUESTIONS

Chris Knight- I heard that Steve Tyrell was here at the last meeting.

Supervisor Politi- It wasn't a planned meeting he just showed up and spoke with us. I wasn't anticipating him but a lot of people show up that I don't anticipate.

Councilman Doty- He really didn't come with an agenda.

Supervisor Politi- We welcome anybody to come in especially from that type of organization. From a Town level NCCC is within the Town of North Elba but ultimately and decision made would be from higher up than us.

Councilman Miller- With that being said I have concern with what is happening over at the college. I am getting a lot of phone calls from people associated with the school and what the future maybe. I know you did some extensive reporting and some of it was pretty damning about the leadership. I will just say on a town level I am worried about the future of our college and the employees and the community as a whole. I am hopeful that their board of directors will address what appears to be a very serious situation.

Supervisor Politi- Bob couldn't of said it any better and we have concerns on the county level. We have appointed representatives that have met with them and had discussions. There are concerns more than just leadership. There are concerns with the state of the facility. Many community colleges across New York State are in trouble right now due to loss of student population. We are aware and concerned. We have not had an opportunity at this time to meet with Franklin County and get their thoughts. I don't believe Franklin County has met with their representatives, board of trustees or Steve Tyrell. As of our last meeting in Essex County they had not yet.

Chris Knight- Have they pitched to the county at all about the capital project.

Supervisor Politi- He did yes. He came with a scale down version of a capital improvement project. A few years ago they were seeking 65 million and now seeking 9.5 million dollars from Essex, Franklin and State of New York. So we did have discussions about that and yes we had discussions about the questions regarding leadership of the college.

Chris Knight- Was that at a regular committee meeting or just a couple supervisors

Supervisor Politi- It was a meeting with North County Community College, Essex County committee members along with representative Barbara Dwyer and Steve Tyrell.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Town Board, Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Favro seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Scriver, Deputy Town Clerk