

## TOWN BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2013

Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on the above date beginning at 7:00 pm 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 Rand, and Jessica Scriver

**Members Absent:**

**Others Present:** Bill Kissel, Attorney Ron Briggs, Larry Straight, James Morganson, Chris Morris, Ted Morgan, Wayne Grimditch, Dennis Curtin, Dean Dietrich and Mark Wilson

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 on the minutes of the Board meeting on December 11, 2012

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

### WAYNE GRIMDITCH

Supervisor Politi – Introduced members present at meeting

Dennis Curtin – I would like to just give you a brief background; I didn't know Ron was going to be able to be here today I would like to tell you why I am here. I have been attained by the family to speak or not with possibly resolving these litigations. It's been kind of extraordinary from an outsider, taken on a life of its own seems like this might be a good time to step back and see where we are. Wayne is here on behalf of his family his father and mother obviously this is a serious matter so I have asked him to write down his comments which he will submit at the end so we will be clear without prejudice.

Wayne Grimditch-

January 8, 2013

Supervisor Politi and Councilmen,

Good Evening, on behalf of my family, I want to thank the Town Council for this opportunity to speak this evening. This will be the first time my family has spoken publicly regarding the Town's lawsuit against our boathouse construction project. Our hope in doing so is to bring insight to our thinking and perhaps offer a common ground of understanding that may lead us to an equitable solution – equitable to you, the leadership and governance of this town and equitable to us – long-time residents of good standing in this community.

Hard to believe, but it was more than two summers ago our family set out to preserve and enhance the value of two lakefront lots. These lots were part and parcel of land purchased almost 60 years ago by my father and our family. Over the course of decades, our family has sold off lots to various families who now, also, have long-standing relationships with this town. The Bumsteds, the Buttons, Petro, Stewart, and Andy Lack's family – among others - all presently own lakeshore land that once belonged to our family.

In summer of 2010, we were informed of the new impending Adirondack Park Agency (APA) regulations on the horizon. We made a simple decision - to construct two boathouses before the new APA regulations became effective.

In the past, we had always gone through the town review process for property improvements, be it the Joint Review Board (JRB) or some earlier version of this body. This time we did not, as, to our surprise, we were informed by legal counsel that the Joint Use Code did not apply to structures, such as boathouses, on Lake Placid. In fact, we were advised that the New York State Appeals Court had specifically ruled that Lake Placid's Joint Use Code did not apply to structures on Lake Placid. Thus, I want to make it clear to the Joint Review Board and the Town, that counsel advised us we could build our boathouses prior to new APA guidelines going into effect.

The decision to build the boathouses and enhance the value of our property was a family decision based on my parent's age, failing health, and to fulfill some estate planning objectives.

We sought advice from two local Lake Placid attorneys and ultimately selected one to steer us through this process.

We honestly believed we were doing everything correctly. We never imagined this construction path turning into a lengthy, circuitous, legal quagmire. We never sought a legal contest, and we never intended to defy the Joint Review Board, this Village or this Town.

That was never our intention.

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Somewhere along the path to an equitable solution, it seems this matter took on a life of its own, and it has become unpleasant for all involved. And for that... **we are sorry.**

When the construction of the boathouses became a problem, our family desired to find a solution, and we directed our legal counsel to do that on our behalf. As you know, our counsel has negotiated, agreed to pay fines, wrote letters presenting our position, and offered various solutions. None of this brought about a resolution, so we have retained a new attorney solely to bring a fresh and independent view and perspective of this problem. Our goal is to see if our differences can be resolved in an equitable manner without further litigation.

From our standpoint, we understand that you believe we somehow circumvented the Joint Review Board process. We also understand very clearly and definitively that the actions taken on our behalf upset you. After 5000 pages of legal documents, civil charges, and criminal charges against laborers of the North Country and my family, and unfortunate expenditures of time and financial resources by both parties – **we get it!** But **please understand** we believe we did nothing illegal and nothing with malice – *we simply relied upon advice and recommendation of counsel, and the law in effect – at that time – which is now more than 30 months ago, which law permitted us to build our boathouses on Lake Placid.*

We are not bad people – we are your neighbors and our family has been a part of the fabric of this community since 1938 when my father first came to Lake Placid.

My dad came here to pursue an amateur skating career with Gustave Lussi. And along the way, my dad fell in love skating and my mom. My father became a Novice and Jr. Men's National Singles Champion, in 1940 and 1941. My father also fell in love with the Adirondacks and Lake Placid. In the early 1940's – with the help of a local real estate broker, my dad made his first investment in this community – purchasing the first of two tracts of lakefront property on Lake Placid. Forty years later, we allowed this first tract of land, 144 acres, to be acquired by the State of New York through eminent domain. Today, it remains forever wild - over 2600 feet of Lake Placid shoreline is a natural preserve for wildlife and there for all of us in this room and community to enjoy.

We are not bad people – we are your neighbors. My sister went to school here. I learned to water ski on this lake – taking my first steps, along with many falls, but ultimately leading me to my first World Championship in water skiing. My Mom and Dad were married in 1951 and found a one-bedroom camp, accessible only by boat, and made it their first home!

Our family made a life here in Lake Placid for which we are most grateful. We have photo albums of Mom and Dad skating at the Olympic arena, skiing at Whiteface, pitching golf balls on the Mountain course...they have still have vivid, precious memories of zip lining across the pond at Little Alps, which was, as you may know - Gus & Thelma Lussi's Swiss Chalet home.

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And we've given back: Our family has contributed time and financial resources to the Arts and Athletic organizations of this community: including the Sinfonetta, the Lake Placid Garden Club, the Horse Show, and NYSEF. We have also been members of the Shore Owner's Association for decades. My parents contributed their time for years as National and Gold Figure Skating judges of aspiring skaters in the Olympic arenas.

These are the facts. This is our family's truth.

We have hired only local North Country workers on our projects, including on the construction of two boathouses.

Thirty months ago, upon advice and direction of local legal counsel, we made a decision to begin a construction project to enhance the value of our property. My family proceeded in good faith and we truly believed our construction project was well within the current law of the day, which applied, and was available, to all Lake Placid lakefront owners.

After a lengthy and trying legal process, the Appellate court has chosen to reverse itself. But here's the catch, none of us are prescient – no one in this room knew this case law would be reversed. So, it seems to us vastly unfair and inequitable to punish us for relying on a case that was current law when construction commenced.

So, round and round we've gone.

Tonight, **my family's most fervent hope** is that I present a clear picture of our family and our family's intentions, not just some thirty months ago, but as far back as our first days in this community some 70 years ago.

Our most hope is also that our good faith **intentions** on this project are now clear to you – **we never** intended to circumvent the law or harm this Board, this Community, or our neighbors.

My father taught us that smart, caring individuals could always find a fair and equitable solution to any problem. Tonight, we seek your wisdom to find a solution that honors **fairness...community...and integrity.**

This has always been the way my father handled problems.

On behalf of my father, mother, and my sister, we sincerely thank you for granting us the time and attention to listen to our story this evening.

Thank you,

Wayne Grinditch

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Supervisor Politi- Thanked Mr. Grimditch for coming and for his thoughts and comments. We will take them under consideration.

### DEAN DIETRICH – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Dean Dietrich – I sent you the year-end report for the community development board. I think it's a great idea that we start sending you yearend reports and here is where we are. I will not go over the whole report but there are some things I would like to highlight. The first is that the Comprehensive plan initiative is on track and we are scheduled to get the draft report done by the consultant then we can have our public forums early spring and summer. Hopefully at this time next year I will be standing here saying lets adopt this Comprehensive Plan. A few things have happened since Thanksgiving and it's all good news first of all our consolidated application grant was accepted so congratulations to all of use. This means the \$12,500 that you ponied up for this will go back into your coffers. I am not sure how that mechanism works and the timing involved but it's there. The other good news is we were accepted by the Cornell Institute of Public Affairs to be a collaborative agency. We had talked to you before about the desire to get an institution of higher learning on board. This will be under the direction of Dr. Laurie Miller who runs what is called the capstone project. Basically 5 or 6 graduate students who are getting degrees in planning have to do work within a community, we submitted our application and we are one of the committees she is going to work with. No cost to us at all, we have a plan to bring them up and put them in private housing. I was with Village board last night about this and they are keen on the idea rentals/ vacation rentals. We can ask graduate student to go out and find all the best practices of vacation rentals, how different communities work and come back to us and report in May and tells us what are the good or bad things in this community what do they think fits the best. We can do this on five to six different topics. What the community development board is looking at right now is here is a list of 10 topics, talk with the students and narrow it down. There final exam is basically a public presentation in Lake Placid. The second thing they have to do as part of their project is do some GIS mapping. We looked 5 or 6 years ago at a group called the Adirondack Information Group they report for Town and Villages Boards. On how we can bring governments on line with GIS and here are all the different files. We have had a dream about the zoning being on file for a long time and haven't been able to quite get there. So once again we are going to negotiate with them here are 6 or 7 GIS files we can get. We will have some good planning tools, each of these will be worth some money and that again comes to us gratis. Another thing that is happening is the whole process of the Comprehensive Plan which is an inventory of ideas, get that approved as official inventory ideas and then start with the implantation process, what happens when you get a lot of people in a room talking about the future they get excited. There are a couple of initiatives that have taken route. I think you are aware of the Bike Rack initiative one of the meetings of mobility. Rotary, Historical Society and a few other groups working on bike routes had a meeting discussing the best places for the bike racks. The Historic society was also talking about a historic bike route and it just kind of fits. There was some talk with the Economic Committee about area marketing. One of those things they have noticed in the past couple of years is that different areas of Lake Placid are kind of taking on their own character. You have North Main Street a little bit different than South Main Street. The Strip mall on Saranac Ave has a new character to it. They are talking about area marketing with VR codes. With the VR code you can say this is what is happening in this part of the community. Here are the menus, sales, activities; here is the trolley to get you from area to area. A few people are working on this and hopefully institutionalize it, pass it on and keep it going.

Supervisor Politi- It has been a long contention with county law with how you identify for soliciting vacation rental users and bed tax. Essex County is talking about increasing the bed tax from 3 % to 5%. Clinton County and Franklin County are doing the same thing, a few of those counties have gone so far as to want to change the laws to say vacation rental owners and users must pay bed tax. It been a contention is Essex County on the enforcement, how do you enforce such a thing when vacation owners/renters don't have to pay sale tax this really is the hook in the State Law. Hotel owners collect sale tax and that is the key to paying the amount of bed tax money. I am interested in their studies what they find in terms of how this can be done in an equitable way if at all possible.

Dean Dietrich – You are right and there is another approach to which is the health and safety aspect, that renting homes is a health safety issue.

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Supervisor Politi – There is a portion of the NYS Health Department law that says if a house is occupied by so many people you have to get a permit. No one does this and the state does not enforce it either.

Dean Dietrich- This is something we would be looking at.

Supervisor Politi – It will be interesting to see what they find. Another thing is that the possible expansion or increases of bed tax monies will be used solely for the expansion of tourism. There might be an opportunity with those monies collected by the Visitor's Bureau for your particular project interests. I would contact Jim McKenna at some point to see if that kind of idea can be implicated.

Dean Dietrich- First thing is get the inventory of ideas and then figure out the implications. We started down this road a little sooner than I anticipated, another thing I have gotten from this discussion is when we talk to Cornell I will pass along that the Village and Town boards are interested. The decision of what they decided to study is based on their curriculum.

Councilman Favro – The Olympic Training Center I am sure can help you out with rooms and food.

Dean Dietrich – Thank you so much everyone has been very helpful and supportive. The members of Community Development Board are appointed for one year terms and they expire January 1. We did lose 2 people this year Elga Ballestrini and Krissa Beamish they both worked very hard. Krissa was on the Mobility Committee and Elga did a lot with writing grants. The grant we received was actually on our fourth try. Julie Ball and Gene Brennan are new appointments with one year terms and continuing appointments are William Borzilleri, Pat Gallagher, Georgia Jones, Kelly Kennedy, Karen Mergenthaler and myself.

Councilman Rand moved and Councilman Favro seconded the motion to approve the appointments for the Community Development Board. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by those present.

### MARK WILSON

Mark Wilson -I want to give you a heads up into a new initiative to better protect Lake Placid and Mirror Lake from invasive species. A month ago the Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program held a meeting at the DEC Region 5 headquarters to update the community on efforts on Lake George to battle the 5 different invasive species they have on the lake. The focus of the presentation was on boat wash stations which if you haven't studied it you don't want to it's a nightmare. It's one of those last case scenarios that you want to avoid at all cost it has all sorts of complications and huge expenses. It was a broad based discussion and presentation on the issue and it gave us the opportunity to express on of my great concerns is that we are on Lake Placid putting all of our efforts into protecting and inspecting all boats that come into the lake from Memorial day to Labor day but as we saw last year with the ice going out in late March earliest in history and the not freezing up until the second week in December this year we are looking at 9 1/2 weeks of unguarded boat access in Spring and another 14 weeks in the fall, which includes the Columbus day holiday and this year Thanksgiving. These are not huge traffic times but as we saw with the invasion of milfoil on Paradox Bay and that launch only gets 10% of the traffic the numbers don't really matter as much as just the availability and the risks. Lake Placid has 40% coverage of the open water calendar, we are looking to do something and try to minimize that exposure to the lake. This drew me to a discussion with Eric Coleman from Paul Smith Adirondack Water Shed Institute he is charge of the student program we have now on the lake in the summertime. Unfortunately this program utilizes college students who are out of school in the summer times so that's there availability. This led me to a discussion with Dr. Randy Richards from the Lake Placid school to see if there is anyway we could work lake storage ship into the science curriculum specifically looking at junior and seniors. He suggested not only could we integrate into the science curriculum but there is also a requirement for juniors and seniors do community service as well as junior and senior Projects. There is an open dialog and he is speaking with principal, the dean, and Tammy Morgan the head of the science department about the prospects. I have contacted Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program as well as the

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Lake Champlain Basin Program and the NYS Federation of Lake Associations who are closely aligned with the Seaslap Organization that does lake water testing for various chemicals. They are all very interested and they see this as a model for not only this community and the Adirondacks but for lake communities across the state. I would really like to get the entire community involved in this; I think this is potentially a very valuable community building exercise it gets the kids involved in knowing the importance of the lake and keeping the bad stuff out of the lake. Last night I presented this to the Village to let them know and hopefully provided through there Police Department a little bit of security presence just to make sure we are not putting students at risk it's not a high risk job but just in case we want to be extra careful. I also come with thanks from the Shore Owner Association for the \$7500.00 that you contributed last year it's deeply appreciated if there is any way to expand that I welcome the opportunity to present to you the case of expanded services. I think that if we put this initiative together with the schools we are hoping we can get something ready by this spring then we will have some minimal coverage in the slower seasons and I think that perhaps we have a community beef up the general inspection regime we have going in the summer time. I think we could be a real model for protection of lakes and the resources that they are to our community.

Supervisor Politi – Is DEC side stepping this issue?

Mark Wilson – DEC is a hard nut to crack, we have been talking with them for years and years and as you know there is very little money in state budgets, DEC itself is a department that has had cut after cut after cut or the past five or seven years. Its seems to me they are the one block between communities like Lake George and surrounding areas. Boat launch stations is a big debate going on at various state levels. There is no money for inspection through DEC at this moment.

Supervisor Politi- Have you done this presentation at any community service groups a lot of them want to have a project.

Mark Wilson- Absolutely we are going to go to all the community service organizations, church, and house of worships we are going to really make an effort to get the word out this is our water supply this is important.

Supervisor Politi - I think you might find there is an interest we are constantly getting organization groups contacting us about providing services at the recycling center and so forth.

Mark Wilson- We welcome your suggestions of place to go.

### **RAY BROOK WATER**

Councilman Doty – We are finally nearing completion of Ray Brook water districts 2<sup>nd</sup> well it's been drilled and casing is in. Hydrologist have finished testing and it came in very favorable for our water district. The one well produces 250 gallons per minute, so our back up well now supersedes our primary well which generally gave us 70 gallons a minute. Right now the water district is almost back up and running with a good back up system. This was a very successful venture, you are never guaranteed when you dig a hole in the ground what you are going to find, we were very fortune not only was it very cost effective but we will be saving money in the fact that we can recover from one of the down wells. We will be able to pull the pump from it and use it in the new well, which will save the tax payers between \$10,000 and \$15,000.

Supervisor Politi – We were lucky and it has proven to be a wise investment to have purchased the property from Dane Peryea for the expansion of those wells and community water system.

Councilman Doty- We are fully compatible now with New York State Health codes with our perimeter setbacks of our wells.

### **LP HALF MARATHON**

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Supervisor Politi –A request from Jeff Edwards for permission from the town for the 9<sup>th</sup> annual Lake Placid Marathon and Half Marathon scheduled for June 9, 2013, 8am to 2pm he is expecting over 1800 runners this year. They have received a permit from Essex County Highway Department. Course will be the same used in 2012.

Councilman Rand moved and Councilman Favro seconded the motion to approve the contract for the Lake Placid Marathon subject to review of insurance documents. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by those present.

### **TRI-LAKES HUMANE SOCIETY**

Supervisor Politi- An agreement needs to be signed with Tri-Lakes Humane Society I talked to Scott Monroe about this and it is necessary even though he works on our behalf. Dogs are being overnigheted hear and after so many days they have to go to the shelter if owner does not claim them. This agreement is the same as in the past and amounts to \$2500.00. Which has not changed for some time this agreement will begin Jan 1, 2013 and end December 31, 2013

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to approve the contract for Tri-Lakes Humane Society There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by those present.

### **OPRHP – MATCHING GRANT**

Supervisor Politi- The NYS office of Parks Recreation and Historic Preservation has sent us a letter informing of us a matching grant of \$440,000 which is reserved in a Municipal Grant Program for the reclamation of the landfill area for an athletic field. This is nothing more than telling you that we have received this and they will contact us with specifics on the project with the next steps.

Councilman Doty – This is a joint venture with Saranac Lake.

Supervisor Politi – That is correct.

### **APPROVE PROPOSAL FOR AUDIT SERVICES**

Supervisor Politi – We had to solicit a request of proposal for audit services because of the grants we have received for the airport. We received two proposals one from Toski & Company in Williamsville, NY for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 that price was \$13,500 and addition to that we received another price from Dragon Benware CPA from Malone, NY and there price was \$23,500 under the advice of our finance officer we proposes that we move forward with Toski & Company.

Copies of the Proposals are filed in the clerk's office

Councilman Rand moved and Councilman Miller seconded the motion to approve the proposal for Audit Services subject to legal counsel review. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by those present.

### **LANDFILL WEIGHT LIMIT MODIFICATION**

Supervisor Politi –A request for a modification of a prior resolution to reduce weight limit from 100 pounds to 80 pounds on the scale at Transfer Station. Over 80 pounds being at a rate of \$.08 per pound and under 80 pounds the rate of \$6.00. Cathy is asking that the original resolution increasing the cost be modified so that the numbers will work. At \$.08 per pound for 100 pounds would have been 8 dollars as oppose 6 dollars which didn't make any sense.

Councilman Miller – Are we changing because of the accuracy of the scale

Councilman Doty – Didn't we leave 100 and below the same

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Supervisor Politi – Yes but you have a \$2.00 differential

Larry Straight – The scale is accurate it's certified every year to 20 pounds.

Supervisor Politi – The original resolution will be amended so it works. \$6.00 for 80 pounds and under and 80 pounds and up will be \$.08.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Favro seconded the motion to approve modification to the weight limit resolution. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by those present.

**BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

Supervisor Politi –Primary housekeeping there are a couple of large items. Overtime for snow removal amounting to \$13,000. Offset by savings in machinery, gas and diesel, salt and sand. Greystone Envolution for SPCC \$2,495.27 this was made up in personal services from airport and Craig Wood grounds repairs. There is no money being spent through Fund Balance.

JAN 2013 Board Meeting Budget Amendments

FOR CLAIMS PAID THROUGH JAN 8 2013 POSTED IN 2012

<b>General Fund:</b>					
<b>ACTION</b>	<b>ACCOUNT</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>VOUCHER NUMBER</b>	<b>ADDITIONAL INFO</b>
INCREASE	A.1110.0101	MUNICIPAL COURT. PERSONAL SERVICES	1174.27		PER PAYROLL JANUARY 3 2013 (LAST PAY PERIOD OF DEC 2012)
INCREASE	A.1310.0101	BUDGET OFFICE. PERSONAL SERVICES	79.27		PER PAYROLL JANUARY 3 2013 (LAST PAY PERIOD OF DEC 2012)
INCREASE	A.1310.0421	BUDGET OFFICE. TELEPHONE	11.66		VOUCHER 122693
INCREASE	A.1610.0462	CENTRAL ADMIN. POSTAGE	2979.32	122672, 122877	2013 TAX BILLS AND IMPACT STATEMENT MAILINGS IN DEC
INCREASE	A.1620.0103	TOWN HALL. PERSONAL SVC OVERTIME	385.49		PER PAYROLL JANUARY 3 2013 (LAST PAY PERIOD OF DEC 2012)
INCREASE	A.3120.0412	LAKE PATROL GAS & DIESEL	652.57		EXCEEDED 2012 BUDGETED AMOUNT OF 2080.00
INCREASE	A.6772.0102	AGING PROGRAM. PERSONAL SERVICES	1077.69		PER PAYROLL JANUARY 3 2013 (LAST PAY PERIOD OF DEC 2012)
INCREASE	A.6772.0412	AGING PROGRAM. GAS & DIESEL	393.32	130020	VOUCHER 130020
INCREASE	A.8160.0101	TRANSFER STATION . PERSONAL SERVICES	1008.09		PER PAYROLL JANUARY 3 2013 (LAST PAY PERIOD OF DEC 2012)
INCREASE	A.8160.0103	TRANSFER STATION . PERSONAL SERVICES OVER TIME	1477.02		PER PAYROLL JANUARY 3 2013 (LAST PAY PERIOD OF DEC 2012)
INCREASE	A.8160.0415	TRANSFER STATION . BUILDING REPAIRS	27436.6		REPAIR OF TRANSFER STATION RECYCLING BUILDING NOT ORIGINALLY BUDGETED
INCREASE	A.8810.0103	CEMETERY. PERSONAL SERVICES OT	101.91		PER PAYROLL JANUARY 3 2013 (LAST PAY PERIOD OF DEC 2012)
INCREASE	A.9089.910	MANDATORY PHYSICAL EXAM	156		VOUCHER 130006
DECREASE	A.9060.0800	HOSPITAL & MEDICAL INSURANCE	-36933.21		
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<b>Highway Fund:</b>					
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INCREASE	DB.5142.0101	SNOW REMOVAL/SWEEPING. PERSONAL SVCS	13256.64		PER PAYROLL JANUARY 3 2013 (LAST PAY PERIOD OF DEC 2012)
DECREASE	DB.5130.0412	MACHINERY. GAS & DIESEL	-3972.09		
DECREASE	DB.5142.0448	SALT & SAND	-4923.04		
DECREASE	DB.9010.0800	STATE RETIREMENT	-3956.7		
DECREASE	DB.9030.0800	SOCIAL SECURITY	-322.53		
DECREASE	DB.9035.800	MEDICARE	-82.28		
			-4.83169E-13		

<b>Park District:</b>					
<b>ACTION</b>	<b>ACCOUNT</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>VOUCHER NUMBER</b>	<b>ADDITIONAL INFO</b>
INCREASE	SP.1114.0101	PARK GARAGE. PERSONAL SERVICES	439.23		PER PAYROLL JANUARY 3 2013 (LAST PAY PERIOD OF DEC 2012)
DECREASE	SP.1114.412	PARK GARAGE. GAS & DIESEL	-439.23		
INCREASE	SP.1346..0200	SHOWGROUNDS. EQUIPMENT	805.45	122881	FLAGPOLE AT SHOWGROUNDS
INCREASE	SP.1346.412	SHOWGROUNDS. GAS & DIESEL	320.66	122718, 130020	
DECREASE	SP.1346.0101	SHOWGROUNDS. PERSONAL SERVICES	-1126.11		
INCREASE	SP.1350.414	CRAIG WOOD. PERSONAL SERVICES	5987.28		PER PAYROLL JANUARY 3 2013 (LAST PAY PERIOD OF DEC 2012)
DECREASE	SP.1350.0200	CRAIG WOOD. EQUIPMENT	-5987.28		
INCREASE	SP.1357.0459	AIRPORT. OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	2495.27	121782, 122348	GREYSTONE ENVOLUTIONS FOR SPCC PLAN (NOT IN 2012 BUDGET)
DECREASE	SP.1357.0103	AIRPORT. PERSONAL SERVICES OT	-1567.62		
DECREASE	SP.1350.0416	CRAIG WOOD GROUNDS REPAIR	-927.65		
INCREASE	SP.7110.0103	PARK .PERSONAL SERVICES OT	879.01		
INCREASE	SP.7110.0416	PARKS. GROUNDS REPAIR	4138.05	122326	TURF MANAGEMENT OVERSEEDING OF ATHLETIC FIELDS IN OCTOBER
INCRESE	SP.9950.0900	INTERFUND TRANSFERS. CAPITAL PROJECTS	1508.07		LOCAL SHARE OF RUNWAY REHAB EXPENDITURES IN NOV
DECREASE	SP.7110.0200	PARKS. EQUIPMENT	-701		
DECREASE	SP.8310.0101	PARK ADMINISTRATION. PERSONAL SERVICES	-2563.25		
DECREASE	SP.8310..0200	PARK ADMINISTRATION. EQUIPMENT	-500		
DECREASE	SP.8310.413	PARK ADMINISTRATION. OFFICE SUPPLIES	-254.22		
DECREASE	SP.9010.0800	STATE RETIREMENT	-1128.51		
DECREASE	SP.9030.0800	SOCIAL SECURITY	-1060.56		
DECREASE	SP.9035.0800	MEDICARE	-317.59		
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Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Favro seconded the motion to approve the budget amendments as written and presented. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carried by those present.

Councilman Doty- The \$2400.00 was due to the fact that government regulations need to recognize the airport separate from the highway. Originally our bid came in that they could take care of both entity and this was not the case.

**COMMITTEE REPORT – CRAIG WOOD**

Councilman Doty –Finishing inside of tower and block work. Elevator is on order and hoping that it's in mid to late February. The cupola came yesterday and it is going to look great.

Jim Morganson – These out up to date pictures I took today at lunch.

Councilman Doty- The new leased equipment came yesterday afternoon and its unbelievable, the new vent track is like a multi-purpose tracker. New mowers also came in that can be used with any attachment.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS - LANDFILL**

Councilman Favro – One position is open we had some interviews today and more tomorrow. We did 15 interviews today.

Supervisor Politi –Wow are you kidding for one job that is amazing.

Larry Straight- we had over 20 applications.

Supervisor Politi- Is all work done there with regards to recycling center

Larry Straight – Yes it is

**COMMITTEE REPORTS – SARANAC LAKE CHAMBER**

Supervisor Politi- an issue has come up I got a call from Saranac Lake Chamber about the parking lot. I spoke with Craig Stevens about it and told him we would help out every chance we got but it's not a priority. It was said that there is bad blood between the Chamber and Village, they won't help out. I asked Butch about it and he says the village sometimes gets mad because the Town of North Elba plows go by and don't stop. Well of course your plows cannot go in and plow that. With a tandem you could not even turn around. Is there a possibility of us doing Payeville Road and the village does all of Moody Pond. I don't know what size vehicle you use over there. Would you use a tandem on Payeville road?

Larry Straight – Yes we would

Councilman Doty- It would be easy for Larry's guys to turn around in the North Country parking lot. You would get the short end of the stick a little because Payeville is longer than your section on Moody Pond. I would like to go over with Larry and drive it before we say yes or no.

Supervisor Politi– Shared services may reduce our time, gas money and so forth. In return for us doing a little more distant may the village would help out a little more. I know there have been some issues over there and you would think the governing bodies would want to help the community. It's something that should not be an issue I just don't get it.

**TOWN BOARD MEETING**  
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**COMMITTEE REPORTS – FIRE WORKS**

Jim Morganson – Fireworks this Saturday the 19th at the ski jumps paperwork has been filed. Just making you aware since the press is here it would be nice to get the word out.

**APPROVE AUDITS AS PER AUDIT #'S**

Supervisor Politi asked for a motion to approve the audits.

TOWN OF NORTH ELBA			
CLAIMS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT 1/8/13			
	Regular	Prepaid	Totals
A FUND GENERAL FUND	99,363.17	37,454.70	136,817.87
DB FUND TOWN OUTSIDE VILLAGE HIGHWAY	8,949.79	21,716.59	30,666.38
H01 SECURITY/PERIMETER FENCE AIRPORT CAP. PROJECT	-	-	-
H02 -BLOCK HANGAR REHABILITIATION AIRPORT CAP. PROJECT	-	-	-
H03 - 5 BAY T HANGAR	-	-	-
H04-C&D WASTE CELL	-	-	-
H05- CRAIG WOOD GOLF COURSE CONSTRUCTION	48,848.17	-	48,848.17
H06-TERMINAL BLDG	-	-	-
H07 RUN WAY REHAB	-	-	-
H08-AIRPORT MASTER PLAN	-	-	-
H09-APRON EXPANSION	-	-	-
H41-REC (BIKE) PATH	-	23,126.85	23,126.85
RD03-THIEANOQUEN WAY ROAD DISTRICT	-	-	-
SP PARK DISTRICT	44,076.46	19,914.94	63,991.40
SS21 CONSOLIDATED SEWER DISTRICT	-	-	-
SW1 SEWER DISTRICT #1	-	-	-
SW2 MCKENZIE	-	-	-
SW3 RAY BROOK	88.98	7,608.50	7,697.48
T TRUST & AGENCY	-	278.00	278.00
TE PRIVATE PURPOSE TRUST	-	-	-
<b>Batch 1250-1301</b>	<b>\$ 201,326.57</b>	<b>\$ 110,099.58</b>	<b>\$ 311,426.15</b>
122735-122752; 122786-122814; 122816-122827; 122829-122850; 122877-122903; 130001-130003; 130005-130019			
<b>Batch 999 (Payroll)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 40,058.43</b>	<b>\$ 40,058.43</b>
122753-122785; 122828; 122851-122876			
<b>Batch - HELD</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>
112313			
<b>DELETED VOUCHERS:</b>			
122734; 122815			

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Rand seconded the motion to approve the audits as written and presented. There being no further discussion, the motion was unanimously carries by those present.

**TOWN BOARD MEETING**  
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**PRESS QUESTIONS – WAYNE GRIMDITCH**

Chris Morris – Does anyone have a reaction to Mr. Grimditch’s comments earlier

Supervisor Politi – It’s in litigation.

Chris Morris – Where is the case right now

Ron Briggs- It is remanded for further proceedings it is the Supreme Court at this time.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Councilman Favro moved and Councilman Doty seconded the motion to go into executive session at 8:05 pm for the purposes of discussing pending litigation. The motion was unanimously carried by those present.

Councilman Doty moved and Councilman Favro seconded the motion to come out of executive session at 8:22 pm.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no business transacted during Executive Session and no further business to come before the Town Board, Councilman Favro moved and Councilman Miller seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Scriver, Deputy Town Clerk