

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Town Board of Long Lake, Hamilton County, New York was held May 25, 2022 at the Long Lake Town Hall and called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and a prayer by Craig Seaman at 7:00 P.M. Seven people attended.

Members present:	Clay J. Arsenault	Supervisor
	Thomas L. Donnelly	Councilman
	Craig J. Seaman	Councilman
	Dean H. Pohl	Councilman

Members absent: Richard B. Dechene

## BOARD APPROVALS

**Motion** by Craig Seaman, seconded by Thomas Donnelly to accept the minutes as submitted.

Adopted:	Clay J Arsenault	Aye
	Thomas L. Donnelly	Aye
	Craig J. Seaman	Aye
	Dean H. Pohl	Aye

**Motion** by Dean Pohl, seconded by Thomas Donnelly to pay encumbrances as listed on Abstract 05 May 2022.

Adopted:	Clay J Arsenault	Aye
	Thomas L. Donnelly	Aye
	Craig J. Seaman	Aye
	Dean H. Pohl	Aye

Bills as listed on abstract.

### Audit of Claims

General Fund #A297 – A354 in the amount of	\$69,800.72
Highway Fund #D076 - D093 in the amount of	46,119.62
Water District 1 #SW1 031 – SW1 038 in the amount of	2,896.11
Water District 2 #SW2 084 - SW2 102 in the amount of	17,357.82

## **SUPERVISOR'S REPORT**

Supervisor Arsenault informed the Board that the Revenue and Expenditure Reports were in their packets for review. Also included in their packets were Allen Parker's resignation letter from the Long Lake Highway Department and Safety Committee meeting minutes.

At March's Board meeting the Board approved Supervisor Arsenault to negotiate the terms of the contract with Paul Smiths Aquatic Watershed Institute and the Long Lake Association. The Town requested two quotes from Paul Smiths AWI for two different levels of service with differing price points. The Long Lake Association wanted the higher level of service and agreed to cover the cost that was beyond the \$17,000 appropriated by the Town Board in the 2022 Town Budget. The document in the Board's packets defines the agreement between the Long Lake Association and the Town of Long Lake and is signed by Barbara Taylor, Long Lake Association President and Supervisor Arsenault. Supervisor Arsenault and Barbara Taylor signed the contract with Paul Smith's AWI for summer 2022, a copy of the contract was included in the Board's packets.

Supervisor Arsenault had great news to report that DEC's campground on Tioga Point in Raquette Lake would be open for the 2022 season. National Grid crews worked 7 days straight to replace all seven lake lines instead of just the two they had originally planned to replace. Joe Zalewski, Region 5 DEC Director said Tioga Point campground would be fully open Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup> and previous reservation holders would be given first refusal on new reservations.

## **AGENDA**

### **RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT \$130,000 DONATION TO PAVE HIGHWAY ROAD IN RAQUETTE LAKE**

#### **Authorizing Acceptance of Gift and Road Improvement Work**

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has advised the Town Board of a resident's offer of a gift sufficient to pave approximately 2,800 feet of Brightside

Lane, 1,100 feet of Mick Road, and 1,500 feet of Antlers Road – all town roads located in the Hamlet of Raquette Lake; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has assured the Town Board that the funds offered will allow the Highway Department to carry out the project in full compliance with Town Highway Road standards and that this will inure to the benefit of the Town under the New York State Department Of Transportation Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Town Law Section 64.8 the Town Board is authorized to accept monetary gifts to the Town for public use and to administer and maintain any public structures constructed with the funds ; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board finds that pavement of Brightside Lane, Mick Road, and Antlers Road to full town road standards has a true municipal purpose and benefits the common good and general welfare of the people of the Town of Long Lake; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has committed to the Town Board that the undertaking of the paving work on Brightside Lane will not compromise or interfere with previously scheduled road improvement projects during this fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, this action is exempt from further environmental review as a Type 2 action under one or more provisions of the State Environmental Review regulations and specifically of 6 NYCRR Section 617.5(c)(4) ("re-paving of existing highways not involving the addition of new travel lanes;").

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

- 1- The Town Board of the Town of Long Lake hereby authorizes the acceptance of the monetary gift of one hundred and thirty thousand dollars (**\$130,000**) and the restricted use of such funds to pave the unpaved Brightside Lane, Mick Road, and Antlers Road in the Hamlet of Raquette Lake this fiscal year,
- 2- This action is exempt from further environmental review as a Type II Action and no adverse environmental impacts are anticipated on account of the paving project,

3- The funds upon receipt by the Town Supervisor’s office shall be deposited to the DA-2705 Account for use by the Highway Department to pave Brightside Lane, Mick Road, and Antlers Road,

4-The Highway Superintendent shall publicly report to the Town Board progress and results of efforts to pave Brightside Lane, Mick Road, and Antlers Road,

5-The Town Board wishes to express its deep gratitude for the generous gift and civic support of the donor, a Raquette Lake Resident who does not wish to have their name printed in these minutes for the sake of privacy.

**Motion** by Clay Arsenault, seconded by Dean Pohl to approve the resolution to accept \$130,000 donation to pave mick Road, Antlers Road, and Brightside Lane in Raquette Lake.

Adopted:	Clay J Arsenault	Aye
	Thomas L. Donnelly	Aye
	Craig J. Seaman	Aye
	Dean H. Pohl	Aye

## **RESOLUTION TO APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR MAY**

WHEREAS, The Town of Long Lake Parks and Recreation Department has received a donation of \$5,000.00 from the Adirondack Foundation Generous Acts Funds, and

WHEREAS, the donated funds are to be used to purchase/construct “Wayfinding and History Kiosks,” and

WHEREAS, The Town Board previously approved the purchase of a 2022 Ford F250 Pick Up truck for the highway department using Highway Fund Non-Appropriated Fund Balance, and

WHEREAS, The pickup was purchased and delivered, and thus funds need to be transferred from fund balance to the proper expenditure line of the budget, and

WHEREAS, Personal Services for the Parks, Recreation and Tourism Clerk was

budgeted for in separate accounts but has been charged to a single account and the expenditure must be moved to the account that was charged, and  
WHEREAS, the Town Board has accepted the generous gift of \$130,000 to pave Brightside Road, Antlers Road, and Mick Road in Raquette Lake, and  
WHEREAS, the budget must be amended to account for this gift as a revenue, and also for the expenditure of these funds to complete the prescribed work for which they are intended, and  
WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation department purchased a trailer for which budgeted \$3,000.00 but which the final cost was \$5565.00, and  
WHEREAS, the budget must be amended to correct appropriations for this purchase,  
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the following budget amendments are approved:

1. Increase Revenue Account      A2705      by \$5,000.00  
   Increase Expenditure Account    A7180.400    by \$5,000.00  
   These donated funds will be used to fund two projects:
  - b. Buck Mountain Fire Tower Trail Project
  - c. Mt. Sabattis Mountain Bike Kiosk Project
2. Decrease Highway fund balance      by \$44,160.00  
   Increase Expenditure Account    DA5130.200    by \$44,160.00  
   These amendments are for the Highway truck Purchase (2022 F250 4x4 SD Regular Cab 8" box 142" WB SRW XL [F2B]), approved at January 2022 Board Meeting.
3. Decrease Expenditure Account    A1620.100    by \$6,000.00  
   Increase Expenditure Account    A7140.100    by \$6,000.00  
   Decrease Expenditure Account    A1680.100    by \$5,900.00  
   Increase Expenditure Account    A1640.100    by \$5,900.00  
   These amendments are to match appropriations to expenditures for personal services.
4. Increase Revenue Account      DA2705      by \$130,000  
   Increase Expenditure Account    DA5110.4    by \$130,000  
   These amendments are to account for the donation for road paving in Raquette Lake and the resulting expenditures to complete the work.
5. Decrease General Fund Non-Appropriated Fund Balance by \$3000.00  
   Increase Expenditure Account    A7310.2      by \$3,000.00

**Motion** by Clay Arsenault, seconded by Craig Seaman to approve budget amendments for May.

Adopted:	Clay J Arsenault	Aye
	Thomas L. Donnelly	Aye
	Craig J. Seaman	Aye
	Dean H. Pohl	Aye

**RESOLUTION STATING THE TOWN OF LONG LAKE BOARD OPPOSES THE PASSING OF CONSERVATION SUBDIVISION DESIGN BILL S1145/A4074**

**WHEREAS:** The Adirondack Park Agency Adopted a Large Subdivision Permit application that incorporated many of the action items in the Conservation Subdivision Design Bill; **AND**

**WHEREAS:** implementation of the Adirondack Park Agency Large Subdivision Permit, is possibly more protective of the Environment that the Conservation Subdivision Design allows for; **AND**

**WHEREAS:** Conservation Design laws are seldom mandatory, and are a tool to keep open space in urban areas; **AND**

**WHEREAS:** the State of New York as of March 20, 2018, owned 2,505,802 or 44.6 percent of the Adirondack Park in fee, the State as of November 12, 2018 also owns 785,434 acres of Conservation Easements, where development and subdivision rights have been extinguished; **AND**

**WHEREAS:** this means there are more than 3.3 million acres of a 5.9 million acres Adirondack Park that will never be developed or subdivided; **AND**

**WHEREAS:** of the remaining 2.6 million acres of private land, existing development, roads, lakes, rivers, streams, steep slopes, wetland, and high elevations are not suitable for development; **AND**

**WHEREAS:** the proposed legislation would amend the existing Adirondack Park Agency Act which has been in effect for 50 years; **AND**

**WHEREAS:** before major Adirondack Park Agency permit application processes are changed, a public hearing process needs to be implemented so that property owners have an opportunity to understand and comment on how this proposed law will affect their property values; **AND**

**WHEREAS:** this change would require private property owners to incur undue burden to hire external consultants to complete additional ecological assessments that will add significant time to proceed with proposed developments; **AND**

**WHEREAS:** this proposed law will effectively eliminate the potential for development on certain land use classifications, which are already protected and regulated by the Adirondack Park Agency; **AND**

**WHEREAS:** the proposed bill places additional burden on property owners that is not necessary to protect environmental and ecological systems and is not beneficial to the wellbeing of the Adirondack Park and its residents.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Town Board of the Town of Long Lake does not approve of the proposed Bill; **AND**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** that the Town Board of the Town of Long Lake does hereby call upon the local governments to stand together, individually and through our associations to insist that the Conservation Subdivision Design Bill (S1145/A4074) be withdrawn; **AND**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED;** those copies of this Resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senate Majority Stewart-Cousins, Assembly Speaker Heastie, All the Adirondack Legislators, Adirondack Intercounty, the Association of Adirondack Towns & Villages.

**Motion** by Clay Arsenault, seconded by Craig Seaman to approve the resolution in opposition to Conservation Subdivision Design Bill S1145/A4074.

Adopted:	Clay J Arsenault	Aye
	Thomas L. Donnelly	Aye
	Craig J. Seaman	Aye
	Dean H. Pohl	Aye

**RESOLUTION APPROVING MATERIALS PURCHASE  
CONTRACT FOR THE TARBELL HILL BOOSTER STATION  
PROJECT**

Authorizing Award the Materials Purchase Contract for The Tarbell Hill Booster Station Project (TLL-2020-G) To Security Plumbing and Heating Supply

WHEREAS, the Town Board is undertaking a project called the Town of Long Lake, New York Tarbell Hill Booster Station Upgrade Project (hereinafter referred to as ‘the Project’) that consists of furnishing materials and appurtenances for the potable water booster station including manufacturer startup services; and

WHEREAS, the previously authorized the Advertising for Bids for the Project by Resolution of July 29, 2020, and at that time referenced the SEQR review performed for the overall Town of Long Lake Water District #2 E.F.C. Drinking Water Project # 16278 commenced in 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Town’s consultant engineer for the Project, Cedarwood Engineering (“Project Engineer”) completed the design for the Project and the Project was put out to bid as one materials purchase contract: Material Purchase Contract (TLL-2020-G); and

WHEREAS, all Town Board members received copies of the bid documents (or a summary thereof) from the contract low bidder and reviewed those documents, and conferred with the Project Engineer and discussed the bid documents and elements of each bid; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board reviewed causes for delay in contract award on account of the pandemic, tardy state review of design specifications, and the consequent world-wide rise in material costs; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board wishes to proceed in an expeditious and prudent manner to secure a contract for the Materials Purchase Contract (TLL-2020-G), and to commence Construction with in-kind labor.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The Town Supervisor is authorized to execute the Notice of Award for the Materials Purchase Contract (TLL-2020-G) to the lowest responsible bidder listed below: Project Component Contractor Bid Amount



Materials Purchase Contract Security Plumbing and Heating Supply \$59,455  
(Original Base Bid) (TLL-2020-G) 475 Central Ave \$57,600 (Updated  
Price,  
Albany, NY 12206 without Hotbox Enclosure)  
(Tel. 518-489-2554)

2. The Town Supervisor or his designee is authorized to work with the Project Engineer and Town Attorney to negotiate with the low bidder any terms, conditions, chosen bid alternates, and final specifications of the Project, and to execute contract with Security Plumbing and Heating Supply, and other involved agencies as required.

WHEREUPON, the question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follow:

**Motion** by Thomas Donnelly, seconded by Craig Seaman to approve the material purchase contract for the Tarbell Hill Booster Station Project.

Adopted:	Clay J Arsenault	Aye
	Thomas L. Donnelly	Aye
	Craig J. Seaman	Aye
	Dean H. Pohl	Aye

#### **COUNCILMAN COMMENTS**

Councilman Craig Seaman has noticed that the Long Lake signs could use some attention, and possible repairs.

Councilman Thomas Donnelly thanked the Supervisor and his office for getting the Tioga Campground issue resolved so quickly.

Councilman Dean Pohl agreed with Councilman Donnelly.

Councilman Pohl suggested that the Town consider passing a law allowing ATV use on certain Town roads.

Supervisor Arsenault said his office could look into it and could be discussed at a future meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Michael Farrell asked when the Buck Mountain Fire Tower would be open. Supervisor Arsenault said they are still planning on July.

Elizabeth Forsell asked if signs were put up in Raquette Lake about the Town Clean-up week, she suggested signs be put up at the transfer station. Sign-up sheets were sent to the Raquette Lake Highway department, but signs were not put up around Long Lake or Raquette Lake.

**Motion** by Clay Arsenault, seconded by Craig Seaman to adjourn at 7:23pm.

Attested by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Amber L. Wambach, Deputy Town Clerk