

A TOWN BOARD MEETING was held over Zoom, ID # 843-7352-5213/Password #024033, on May 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. The location was in the home of the participants.

Supervisor Wells brought the meeting to order. All said the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Wells called for the Roll with the following Board Members answering:

Roll Call: Councilman Mahoney Here
Councilwoman Stanton Here
Councilwoman Curry Here
Councilman Rathbun Here
Supervisor Wells Here

Present at the meeting: Bill Laprairie, Department Head of Building and Maintenance
Darrin Harr, Chamber of Commerce Director, Meade Hutchins, Brenda Valentine,
Any Coney, Blue Mt. Lake Association, Susan Rowling, Donna Benton and Glen VanNorstrom. There were 27 participants listening.

Minutes

Councilwoman Stanton made a motion to accept the minutes of 4/13/20 with the amendment (Grant received for a freezer is \$1,500.00 not \$50,000.00). Seconded by, Councilwoman Curry.

Roll Call: Councilman Mahoney Aye
Councilwoman Stanton Aye
Councilwoman Curry Aye
Councilman Rathbun Aye
Supervisor Wells Aye

Department Head Reports/Additions

Councilwoman Stanton asked Bill Laprairie, Department Head of Building and Maintenance, if it would be possible to improve the signage that is put on the snowmobile trails for next year using the new Town Logo. While certain signs must remain as is, per State requirements, others can be changed, and Bill and Councilman Mahoney will work on this for next year. Councilwoman Curry also asked them to put Town destinations on the signs.

Councilwoman Stanton questioned if the Community Action's food pantry was solvent. Supervisor Wells stated that although there was an increase in participants, he thought all was good. He stated that he would be speaking with Debbie, Community Action Director, to make sure and to check to see if there were any difficulties with funding. He also reported to the Board that they would only have the freezer that was loaned to them until July. This may be something that will need to be discussed in the future. Councilman Rathbun questioned the annual "Trash Day". Supervisor Wells stated he would need to speak with the County first, he stated we may need to reschedule.

Public Comments and Concerns

Glen VanNorstrom told the Board about a GPS AP for mobile phones that could enhance rescue calls. He feels this could be a great tool and at the moment it cannot be used. Supervisor Wells asked Glen to email the AP to him. Supervisor Wells questioned if this was part of the Hamilton County's snowmobile Ap through Rooste. Darrin stated that this Ap is similar. Supervisor Wells also stated that we are working on a GPS map with CAP 21 at this time.

Brenda Valentine, President of the CDC (Community Development Corporation) reported to the Board that there are going to be numerous Webinars coming up for business owners that North Country Chamber of Commerce is offering. These webinars will help walk business owners through, what to do, how to do it and when to do it concerning the new guidelines to reopening. She stated that they would be getting this out to all businesses. Brenda also stated that the CDC and the Blue Mt. Center would be sending out another bulk mailing of business services. She stated that we have increased the

number of services in the Town from 15 to 25. She stated that the free mask giveaway is going well. Brenda thanked the North Country Crafters for spear heading this. They have utilized their members and those that are not members to come together and make masks. Supervisor Wells asked if those webinars were a requirement to reopen businesses. Her answer was as far as she knows, yes. Darrin Harr, Director of the Chamber of Commerce, reported to the Board that they would be hosting their Legislative forum Zoom meeting on May 15th at 10:00 am with special guests, Senator Tedisco and Assemblyman Smullen. They will be on hand to talk about what our State Government can do to help our region recover from the current economic and health crises. He stated he had sent out the invitations. Supervisor Wells stated he did not think he had received it. Darrin will send to him again. Councilman Curry questioned the Chamber Minutes concerning the Chamber building. Supervisor Wells clarified that the Town owns the property, but the Chamber owns the building. Andy Coney let the Board know that the annual Canoe Race and the 5K Race may not be happening this year. He stated that they were hoping the climate improves, but if it needed to be decided today, both races would be canceled. Supervisor Wells stated that recreational activities are falling under the 4th phase of reopening. He also stated that beaches are being held to a higher standard as well. He is hoping for some information on May 15th.

Tax Collector Audit

Supervisor Wells reported that he had done the Tax Collector's Audit and found it to be all good.

Blue Mt. Restroom Lighting

Supervisor Wells reported to the Board that he had a request from the Blue Mt. Lake Association to put in a light in the bathrooms in Blue Mt. The cost of the electric bill, which is about \$70.00 a year, would be paid for by the Blue Mt. Lake Fire District 2. Supervisor Wells stated that at this time all restrooms and beaches were closed therefore no work could be done on it at this time.

Adirondack Lakes Center for The Arts - Thank You

Supervisor Wells reported to the Board that he had received a letter of thanks from the Adirondack Lakes Center for the Arts. A copy of the letter is attached herein.

Supervisor Comments

Supervisor Wells reported to all that Debbie Ameden, Director of Community Action, had sent an update. He stated that the amount of supplied services doubled through March and April. He thanked Debbie and Darci and all the volunteers for their help. He also stated that a freezer was loaned to them and they had until July. Supervisor Wells also reported to the Board that Susan had submitted a draft plan for reopening the library when possible. Supervisor Wells reported he had purchased more masks and was handing them out to employees when needed. Supervisor Wells explained to the Board that he had only received one bid for the groomer but heard after the fact that more bids had been sent out but we did not receive them. He stated for that reason he would like to reject the bid and go back out to bid. The Board supported going back out to bid. Supervisor Wells made a motion to go back out to bid for the Groom and the Water and Sewer Department truck, changing it from a 2020 truck to a 2021 truck. Seconded by, Councilman Rathbun.

Roll Call: Councilman Mahoney Aye
 Councilwoman Stanton Aye
 Councilwoman Curry Aye
 Councilman Rathbun Aye
 Supervisor Wells Aye

Supervisor Wells reported to the Board that he had held a meeting with the Department Heads and

discussed this year and preparing for next year. He stated that we will be watching what is being spent this year.

Supervisor Wells told all that rafting season is currently on hold. They are hoping to start up end of June beginning of July depending on the Governors directives.

Supervisor Wells reported to all that due to the public health crises "Our Mart" has been removed from the transfer station. He stated that we could not take the risk of transferring anything. Reopening this will be discussed at a later date.

Supervisor Wells stated that at this time the annual "Trash Day" will be postponed and we can do it later in the fall.

Supervisor Wells stated he had been going through the Events Coordinators contracts and has only found one for Bad Chaperones. This will be researched more.

Discussion concerning Memorial Day. This is something that will need to be thought about and discussed. Beach houses and youth programs are closed right now. One application was received for the Life Guard position.

Supervisor Wells also reported to the Board that he had opened the Byron Park Pavilion for basketball etc.... with social distancing in place.

Supervisor Wells reported that the 2019 Adirondack Park's annual report was in. He told all that they he had concerns that they are down three Commissioners.

Supervisor Wells stated that he had received information from the US Dept. of Commerce, Beth Gillis, stating that they have 1.5 billion dollars available for communities that have been affected by the pandemic. He stated he would send on to Brenda Valentine, CDC, to look over.

Discussion held on opening the Town Hall. We will be going by what our Insurance Company and the Governor tell us.

Discussion held on the Census program and the importance of everyone filing. Discussion was held on getting the information out to everyone again. Brenda Valentine stated that there would be a community outreach zoom meeting on May 20th at 7:00 p.m. sponsored by the CDC. She stated Shannon Leo would be on to answer questions.

Discussion held on Citizen of the Year. The request for letters will be put on the Town Web Site and the Town Face Book site.

Other Town Business

Councilwoman Stanton suggested looking for volunteers to dig up the daffodils that were planted along the Adirondack Dam by the school many years ago. She stated this cannot be done until they are done blooming. She stated that once the work begins on the Dam these will be dug up and removed. She stated she hates to see them be taken away as they can be dug up and the bulbs placed in storage until they can be replanted.

Councilwoman Curry stated that the Snowwarriors have offered their help with any events being held in the future.

Councilwoman Curry stated the Weed District has Bogs that need to be removed and that the Bogs had done some damage to a property. Supervisor Wells stated he was aware of this and has told those involved to write up a proposal and have all Wee District Board Members sign it and the Board can move on from there. This was in regard to Bog removal as well as damaged property. Councilwoman Curry questioned the Stewarts project. Supervisor Wells stated that it is still moving forward.

Councilwoman Curry stated that she had been told by some constituents that they were feeling left out, or that not enough information was coming out of the County concerning this pandemic. Supervisor Wells will take this concern to the County. Councilwoman Curry also asked Supervisor Wells if he could let the County know that their phone Ap is not mobile friendly and needs an update.

Councilwoman Curry also questioned testing in Hamilton County as we need a certain number of tests done before we can open. Supervisor Wells stated this is being worked on and will speak to Erica Mahoney, Director of the Hamilton County Public Health Department.

Supervisor Wells thanked all who had joined the meeting. He stated if anyone had any ideas how to make this better or any input to let him know.

Councilman Rathbun asked for an Executive Session to discuss personal.

Building Maintenance & Operations monthly report for March 2020

*Albany
Hamp
March
Reports*

March started off like any other winter month, we were still busy grooming all of our trails and making ice on the rink. We pulled the plug on the grooming on March 13th and moved all our equipment back to the shop. We serviced all the equipment and took one 6060 to Blue and put in storage. One of our Kubota tractors was having a 4x4 issue so we took it to the dealer for repairs under warranty and found the frame was bent from going thru ice on Blue MTN trail, the insurance company has been notified. We started making repairs to the blue drag cutting and welding the rails and fixing the pan, parts were ordered and will be finished in the fall before start of next season. We started cutting brush on all of our trails and spent two weeks getting the worst of it while we still had the snow.

Tree branches were cleaned up at the Museum, Byron Park, Town Hall, started to rake some of the lawns, and put back sod from plowing.

Worked on the heat at the health center, Vincent heating serviced boilers and made more repairs to the pellet boiler, two new circulators have been ordered to replace ones that have quit working and will be installed by us, on back order now.

Parts runs were made to Albany and lake pleasant for loader filters and snowmobile parts. On March 4th I went to Albany and Saratoga to demo two different groomers and learn about new equipment coming out in the fall.

We set up and cleaned up after Irish road bowling, we put up four tents and lost three 12x12 with the winds, installed a new power plug on highway garage to have power for events.

BTI has started and streams are being checked in all areas, starting with the largest water sources first, with the pandemic all streams will not be done but going for the major ones first.

All walks and buildings were shoveled or plowed during the month and transfer site, dam check in Blue cleaned and restocked all restrooms. With the Covid 19 all buildings have been closed, all restrooms closed and locked, and extra sanitizer dispensers have been installed in buildings where public still has access. We went from a 50% crew on the 18th to a single person on the 19th and have been this way and will remain this way until told different.

Thank you

Bill LaPrairie



Dept Head Building Maintenance & Operations



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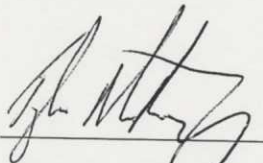
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Town of Indian Lake Building Permit Report
March 2020

	<u>Residential</u>	<u>Commercial</u>
1. Total # of Permits Issued:	7	1
2. Total dollar amount of projects in #1:	<u>\$275,338</u>	<u>\$600</u>
3. Number of Permits in #1 which are Hunting Camps:	0	
4. Total dollar amounts of projects in #3:	<u>\$0</u>	
5. Number of single-family permits issued (Camps N/A):	1	
6. Total dollar amount of projects in #5:	<u>\$199,338</u>	
7. Number of Trailers/Double Wide/Modular Homes:	0	
8. Number of Permit renewals:	3	
9. Number of Firework Permits issued:	0	
10. Total dollar amount of permits in #9:	<u>\$0</u>	
11. Fire inspections (Annual) to date	3	

Respectfully Submitted by:



Tyler Monthony

**Indian Lake Chamber of Commerce
Board of Directors
March 9, 2020**

Board Present: David Oestreicher, Nick, La Scala, Kathleen Peartree, Sherry Williams, Carolyn DeVito, Brenda Valentine, Cassie, Sue Montgomery Corey. **Staff Present:** Darrin Harr

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 pm

Brenda motion to approve agenda, Sherry second

Minutes of the February 10 meeting were reviewed. A motion to accept them was made by Carolyn DeVito and seconded by Brenda Valentine and approved.

Financial Reports were presented by Darrin Harr. The Chamber is in line for the second quarter payment from the Town of Indian Lake after the March meeting. The amount of that payment is expected to be \$6,300. Sherry Williams made a motion to accept which was seconded by Carolyn DeVito and approved.

North Country Center for Business Transition. Brenda Valentine provided an update on the NCCBT. Hamilton County has NCCBT on its website. Brenda advised that in Indian Lake, 11 businesses are for sale out of 24 on the County's website. Brenda indicated that the CDC has begun reaching out to those businesses and invited the Chamber to get involved in the effort to support businesses in transition. The Board discussed what a collaboration between the Chamber and CDC might look like.

In 2019, the County Tourism Office did a mailing to businesses in town about their services and training available to businesses in the county. There was a session at the Adirondack Experience. Brenda suggested doing a mailing to the businesses in Indian Lake with a needs assessment survey about interest/need to transition. Brenda's conversations with some of the local businesses indicates that many do not know about the resources that are available to them.

One of the barriers is that there is not a complete list of businesses in town needed to do a mailing. Carolyn DeVito offered to set up an excel spreadsheet. The Town has a list and welcome packet, but the list is not complete.

Brenda suggested asking the school students to help with follow-up calls.

Sexual Harassment Prevention Policy. The Board discussed the Sexual Harassment Prevention Policy which had been distributed last month. One of the elements needed is a compliance officer. Two compliance officers would be needed. Carolyn DeVito made a motion, seconded

by Kathleen Peartree that Darrin Harr and Sue Montgomery Corey be appointed as compliance officers. The motion was approved.

Darrin has been working to identify a source of training on sexual harassment prevention but has not been able to get a commitment from a trainer.

Board members present signed the statement that they read and understood the policy.

Summer Sports Expo. Due to the Chamber's budget issues, the space rented for the Expo has been reduced to 10X10 space. Brenda Valentine recommended calling the sports expo people to find out what their plan was for dealing with the coronavirus.

Brenda recommended calling the sports expo people to speak to them about the virus. Darrin will need help at the Expo on March 21, 22. 10 am to 4 pm each day.

Snocade Craft Show, Attendance was down. The helicopter rides did not attract a lot of attendance.

Chain Saw Raffle. The raffle sold many fewer tickets than anticipated. Pine's donated the chainsaw. The Board asked Darrin to send Pine's a letter acknowledging the donation.

Spring Dinner has been moved to May 13. \$15 for food \$10 for open bar, 50/50 raffle is planned. The Board discussed the potential for a package to raffle including the possibility of including a free membership. Should there be a door prize?

Legislative Breakfast. David Oestreicher generously offered Prospect Point for the May 15 breakfast (10 am to 11:30). Capacity could be expanded by use of the porch. That might allow more chamber members to attend (increase to 35 with 30 attendees and 5 guests). Darrin will reach out to Sen. Tedisco and Assemblymember Smullen.

Stewarts Update. The Town's appraiser stopped by to evaluate the building. The Board discussed moving forward and the point that we will need to reach out to Colleen about staying in the chamber building while the Stewarts store is being completed. Meade Hutchins is working with Stewarts on behalf of the Town and it might be good to have him come to a future meeting.

Town Activities Coordinator. The Town of Indian Lake is working to hire a new activities coordinator. There was a discussion about whether the Chamber should reach out to the town about the possibility of working more effectively with the activities coordinator. Are there ways that we can better promote events in the town? It is important to find out what other organizations are doing in town and identify ways to amplify their investment.

Appointment of Board Secretary. Motion was made by Sherry Williams seconded by Carolyn DeVito to appoint Sue Montgomery Corey as Secretary of the Chamber.

Sue offered to draft something on the corona virus based on briefings that she has been getting through various organizations.

Cassie Marion asked to be included in emails that go out from the Chamber.

Brenda Valentine offered to share the Blue Mountain newsletter which highlights businesses in Blue Mountain Lake.

Next Meeting. Thursday, April 9 at Byron Park.

Motion to Adjourn. Carolyn DeVito made a motion to adjourn seconded by Cassie Marion and approved by the Board.



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Town Clerk
Julie Clawson

March 29, 2020

Dear Indian Lake Residents,

I am hoping you are healthy and safe, and I appreciate the sacrifices you are making both personally and professionally to address the threat of Coronavirus spread. All of the changes in our everyday lives have certainly been a challenge to us, individually, to our families, friends and community. I hope that you can feel some sense of security with the adjustments that the Town and County have implemented in order to help promote a safe and secure environment. To stay updated on Town Government, department hours, local business hours and other pertinent information please refer to the town's Facebook page (Town of Indian Lake, New York) and the town's website (<https://townindianlake.digitaltowpath.org/10201/content>). In order to improve our Emergency Communication abilities, we have designated a Town e-mail address to collect phone numbers and e-mail addresses. The address is (Townhall117@outlook.com). This is strictly voluntary and will only be used for Town of Indian Lake correspondence.

One of the challenges we face is the challenge to continue to do "Business as Usual ". With the Town Hall closed, and the reduction in staff, it can be a struggle to get things accomplished. This pandemic has only reinforced our need for reliable internet service and 100% cell service coverage. I am sure that our children, too, are facing these obstacles as they try to meet the challenges of online learning and reduced social interaction. Social interaction is something we all need; young and old alike.

Today, I would like to speak to you about the importance of participating in the 2020 Census. As you know the US Constitution requires a census to be taken of everyone living in the United States every ten years. The reasons for this undertaking are many and varies for Towns, Counties and the State. The census is responsible for NYS representation at the federal level. This will impact federal funding for the state for the next ten years. Congressional and state legislative districts are determined by the population count information supplied by the census. This impacts hundreds of state and county run programs from Medicaid to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). An accurate census count can determine thousands of dollars and grants for these programs and many others.

You will get an invitation to respond to the census through the mail or a census worker. You may respond online, by mail or by phone. Please take the time to be counted. It impacts everyone's life every day in many ways. This is a service to your Town, County and State that can have a positive impact for us all. Thank you and be safe.

Brian E Wells – Supervisor Town of Indian Lake

Building Maintenance and Operations Department monthly report for April 2020

With the COVID-19 pandemic things are moving forward but not quite as fast as we would like, social distancing in the department has not been a problem, these are the months April and May where most of our crew works separately.

BTI has gone on as usual, we have checked and treated all streams for the first go around and some of the bigger waters have been done twice, there are three applicators out daily or weather permitting.

We are all caught up on yard-work, raking all Town lawn's and properties, removing brush and debris from buildings and grounds. We cleaned up large trees at Cedar River and Catholic cemetery's that had fallen over the winter, and at both transfer sites we have cleaned up trees and debris that have fallen or become a nuisance.

Went to our storage facility in Blue Mountain Lake retrieved all lawnmowers and decks, all lawnmowers have been serviced and some repairs are underway, waiting on parts for one machine.

Supervisor Wells made a trip to Waste quip to pick up dumpsters for the town. The transfer station was closed mid-March to mid April so a dumpster was placed at the end of Parkerville Road. We opened and closed the dumpster daily and once the transfer site reopened to modified hours we removed the dumpster.

At the Benton cemetery we have filled in some of the graves that have sunk over the winter and are preparing for a burial in the coming weeks.

On the 20th we made a trip to South glens Falls with two trucks and trailers to pick up food for community action, 5000+ pounds of food, we unloaded when we returned and took Garbage ,wrap and pallets to transfer site.

We overhauled our landscape trailer, replaced all breaks and electrical, sand blasted the frame and used undercoating to seal out moisture. We have to tear apart our utility trailer and replace the center beam that goes bad overtime from corrosion, we plan on going through the trailer completely at the same time.

We took down all the snowmobile signs on the trails for the season that we normally do and removed all signs from cemeteries, on the trails we GPS located our bridges that were damaged during the storm on Halloween for FEMA. We have found about five culverts that are in need of repair or replacement and will try to get to them as soon as the ground dries up.

At the meal site we installed new sink cartridges, installed a new freezer, and fixed the wall where the paneling had started to delaminate.

We are at the library now painting the interior hallway between the old and new addition, doing some minor sheet rock repairs and trim.

We shoveled and salted walks ,hopefully for the last time this year.

Bill LaPrairie

Dept Head Building Maintenance and Operations



Town of Indian Lake Water and Wastewater

Report for April 2020

Testing was completed at all plants daily.

Samples required by DEC and DOH were submitted to the lab.

At the Indian Lake Water Plant the decant pump has not been coming on automatically like it is supposed to. After looking at it we realized it had lost a seal and would lose its prime. We tried to get it to work but ultimately, we had to replace it. We had a spare and we will send the old one out to be fixed.

The furnace in the Blue Mt. Water Plant went out again. We had some work done to it this winter, but it stopped working again. We called J&R Eldredge to come up and look at it. They replaced the fan and got it working again.

There was a water leak on the end of Sawmill Rd. that had to be dug up and fixed.

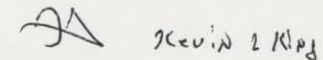
At the Blue Mt. Water Plant, we needed to get some D.E. We usually get it from Tupper Lake, but they did not have any for us. We ordered a pallet from Slack Chemicals, and they delivered it to the Blue Mt. Lake Water Plant.

In Blue Mt. Lake there were three water main breaks on the same day. All three had to be dug up and fixed. One by Bill LaPrairie, one out past Hedges, and one on Durrant Rd.

There were a couple spots that had to be cleaned up from water breaks this winter. The areas were raked and then covered with seed and hay.

Our older work truck needed brakes. We ordered pads and rotors from NAPA and did front and rear brakes on 199.

Thank-You



Kevin King/Water and Sewer superintendent



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April 2020

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3. Number of Permits in #1 which are Hunting Camps:	2	
4. Total dollar amounts of projects in #3:	<u>\$8540</u>	
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Tyler Monthony

Indian Lake Chamber of Commerce
Board of Directors
April 9, 2020

Present: Carolyn DeVito, Brenda Valentine, Kathleen Peartree, Sue Montgomery Corey, Cassie Marion

Staff: Darrin Harr

The Board Meeting convened at 5:05 PM

The Board discussed a letter from Elizabeth Folwell concerning the Adirondack Experience's decision to close for 2020. Points noted: Museum is a member of the Chamber and there was concern that it may not be appropriate for the Chamber to distribute an advocacy letter for informational purpose. There was concern that the letter was going to the newspapers without first going to the Museum director and board. It was also suggested that the letter ask the Museum to use their network to support local businesses.

Ultimately, the Board agreed that the letter should not be distributed to Chamber members.

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Carolyn DeVito, seconded by Brenda Valentine and approved.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Brenda Valentine and seconded by Kathleen Peartree and approved.

Approval of Financial Reports

Darrin Harr noted that the financial reports for March do not include \$1,750 in chamber renewals that didn't get deposited until April 3. Most came in after the office closed on March 19. Going forward the deposits will be made on a more timely manner.

Motion to approve the financial reports made by Sue Montgomery Corey and seconded by Cassie Marion and approved.

Darrin advised that Sherry Williams has completed the CHAR 500, and IRS 990N. Darrin will ask her to drop them off at the Indian Lake Theater on Friday morning. Sue will sign them. Darrin will bring checks at theater for signature.

The Board discussed how the Chamber is positioned in the age of coronavirus.

Darrin told the Board that he has been sending updates and links to webinars. A couple of chamber members have told him that they are filing for the EIDL loans.

Carolyn DeVito advised that the Chamber should be forward thinking/acting. We should ask our members how we can help them. We should think about posting something on the website about them. Cassie Marion recommended reaching out to members and asking them to send us pictures, promo videos. She is willing to help with looking at the chamber's email list and list serve to see what might make sense in terms of emails to parts of the email list.

Brenda Valentine stated that this may present an opportunity to reach out to nonmembers,.

Carolyn DeVito suggested the Chamber reach out to Brian Wells to find out what the Chamber can do to help the Town.

Brenda Valentine mentioned that the town did a bulk mailing on how to communicate with the town during the pandemic. They are working to collect email addresses and phone numbers on Indian Lake residents and businesses so that they will be able to reach out in cases of Emergency.

She also mentioned that the CDC and Blue Mountain Center worked together to do a bulk mail on businesses that are open and services that are available. The Adirondack Foundation provided a SUN grant to underwrite the project.

Brenda agreed to follow up with Brian Wells to see what the Chamber may be able to do with the Town.

Cassie Marion mentioned that a small but impactful thing that people can do is to write google reviews for local businesses.

Carolyn DeVito suggested that showcasing one of the businesses per week might remind people that they are here and encourage support for them.

The danger of the pandemic is that people feel isolated.

Carolyn DeVito said that the Chamber should ask businesses what they want to put out about their businesses. For those that are open do they need help (paid or unpaid).

Kathleen Peartree noted that there is an immense blanket of uncertainty and helping local economy weather the resources is something that the Chamber needs to do.

With the Adirondack Experience planning to close for the year, there has been a suggestion that the sign at the corner of 28 and 30 directing people to the Experience could be temporarily removed in order to encourage visitors to stay in Blue Mountain Lake and Indian Lake.

Sue Montgomery Corey shared a concern that residents in Indian Lake who do not file tax returns and do not have a direct deposit account with the IRS may be severely delayed in

getting their stimulus checks which will impact local businesses. She noted that the Social Security Administration has a press release announcing that those receiving social security will be cross indexed so that they can receive their stimulus check using the accounts they use for their social security payments. Also noted that Turbo Tax has offered to help nonfilers file. An additional concern is that the scammers are out to get personal information which will allow them to steal the stimulus payments of unsuspecting residents. Sue will share links to these items to the Board. Brenda Valentine indicated that the CDC may be interested in this issue.

There was a discussion about the fact that not everyone in town has internet. Flyers should be posted at Post Office bulletin boards. Word of mouth is also very important. Flyers can also be posted at Stewart's, the One Stop and Pines.

The status of the Chamber Office was discussed.

Karen Campbell doesn't start working until May 3. '

Darrin Harr is working from home. He checks on the Chamber building periodically, mails letters, deposit checks. He has been participating in several webinars. He is trying to keep things normal in an unnormal time.

Cassie Marion asked about the effort to mail brochures and whether information can be better sent by email/website. She suggested using the down time to put together a lodging email that could be sent out when things get busier.

There was a discussion about whether or not the Chamber should be encouraging people to come visit now.

Kathleen Peartree advised that Connie at Potters has been working on a map for the Blue Mountain Lake area about where to eat, where to stay. Kathleen will try to get a copy and share. She noted that we need to find the sweet spot between safety and being open. She anticipates more car travel and less disposable income for visitors.

SBA Disaster Loan

Darrin Harr shared his analysis about the potential for the Chamber to go after a federal EIDL. Carolyn DeVito has helped four businesses apply for EIDL.

Carolyn DeVito made a motion to apply for EIDL which was seconded by Brenda Valentine and approved.

Stewarts Project

Darrin Harr advised that the Town has issued a zoning variance and special use permit to Stewart's. They hope to break ground in June. It is unclear when the Town will buy the Chamber building which is appraised at \$28,000.

Summer Expo.

May 23-24 pending covid 19. Darrin Harr indicated that he will need help setting up. It is unclear if the event will happen on May 23-24 even if the restrictions for Covid 19 are lifted after April 29. Darrin expressed concern about how safe he feels about manning the booth at the expo. It is unclear whether or not the event could move again and be timely. The Board discussed with Darrin what is required to be prepared. He indicated that literature will be required which will need to be ordered (hiking maps, town maps, guides, etc.). The literature is ordered from the County Tourism office and does not cost the Chamber anything.

Brenda Valentine made a motion, seconded by Sue Montgomery Corey to order the literature. The motion was approved.

Chamber Spring Dinner May 13

Brenda Valentine made a motion to reschedule to the dinner to September. Carolyn DeVito seconded and the motion was carried. Sue Montgomery Corey recommended Kate Fish of Anca or a speaker from the regional Empire State Development office as possible speakers.

Legislative Breakfast May 15

The Board discussed the likelihood that with the Stay Home order extended to April 29 that it may not be possible to hold the Legislative Breakfast at Prospect Point as planned. The Board discussed three options: Staying the course with May 15, moving the breakfast to a later date, doing the legislative breakfast as a virtual event. It was agreed that the Chamber should explore a virtual event pending the interest and availability of Assembly Member Smullen and Sen. Tedisco. The Board also discussed inviting them back in the fall should the virtual event take place. The virtual event would likely be a free event open to the members.

Black Fly Challenge

The Challenge Board will make its decision about cancelling the event next week.

Harr Vacation

Darrin may take his vacation in mid to late April.

Moose Festival

Brenda Valentine advised that letters to sponsors need to go out in June. The Board agreed to wait until May to make the decision about whether to reschedule, hold or cancel the Moose Festival.

Brenda also told the Board that the CDC continues to work with the Blue Mountain Center and the Adirondack Foundation. They have produced a bulk mailer on businesses that are open and restaurants that serve take out and other services. CDC will canvas community to identify needs. They are also working with local crafters to have masks made and available for residents.

Sexual Harassment Policy. Nick LaScala and Karen Campbell need to sign.

Carolyn DeVito suggested that the Board meet again in two weeks. The Chamber Board will meet again on April 23 at 5 pm.

A motion to adjourn was made by Carolyn DeVito and seconded by Kathleen Peartree and approved at 6:45.

Secretary's note: Below are the links to the stimulus check issues.

<https://turbotax.intuit.com/stimulus-check/>

<https://www.ssa.gov/news/press/releases/2020/#4-2020-1>

<https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-issues-warning-about-coronavirus-related-scams-watch-out-for-schemes-tied-to-economic-impact-payments>

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Annual Audit of Account:

Tax Collector Account

I, Brian E Wells, Supervisor of the Town of Indian Lake, due hereby attest that I have checked and Audited the Tax Collector's Account, Receipt Book and Transactions for the Tax Collector Account, on 4, 20, 2020.

I attest to the fact that all documents, transactions, receipts and deposits are up to date, well maintained and accounted for.

Signature: Brian E Wells
Town of Indian Lake Supervisor

April 16, 2020

Town of Indian Lake
PO Box 730
Indian Lake, NY 12842

Dear Indian Lake Supervisor Wells and Town Council Members,

On behalf of our staff and Board of Directors, we are overjoyed to have you as an important supporter of our organization. Thank you for your grant of \$6,000 to the Adirondack Lakes Center for the Arts for general support, which we received on 4/16/2020.

I appreciate everything you do to help make the Arts Center successful and promise to continue striving to make you proud of who we are – an exemplary arts organization dedicated to bringing arts and cultural offerings to its donors, members, and community. I am looking forward to outlining the details gathered from our feasibility study conducted by a non-profit consultant we hired last summer in the coming year.

While COVID-19 has mandated us to close our building down, we are doing as much as we can to engage the community online. We are also monitoring this situation closely and postponing events and programs as each one arises. WHEN we can return to “normal” business, hopefully by mid-June/July, we have great programming scheduled; a new performer, Ukrainian born pianist Anna Shelest, will perform on June 27; two returning favorites - Ivory & Gold (7/11) and Richard Dowling (7/18). Please save the date for a new square dance event with John Kirk, Trish Miller and Ron Gordon (7/28). Much more will follow, if allowed.

Many thanks again for your enduring financial support to the Arts Center. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Most sincerely,

Christine
Christine Pouch
Executive Director

Many thanks

“the arts center”

BML Toilet Building Lighting

Andy Coney <AndyConey@PObox.com>

Thu 5/7/2020 1:46 PM

To: 'Brian Wells' <ilsuper@hotmail.com>

Cc: 'parks dept' <ilparksrec@hotmail.com>; 'Julie Clawson' <iltclerk@hotmail.com>

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Hello Brian

Back in January we spoke about the Blue Mountain Lake Association's proposal to add lighting to the town toilet building across from the town beach. I regret that recent circumstances have kept me away but the Association would still like to pursue the project.

The Blue Mountain Lake Association proposes to purchase the LED lights and fixtures and pay a licensed electrician for their installation. We have agreement from the Blue Mountain Lake Fire Commissioners to tap into the firestation for power which we anticipate will cost less than \$70 a year.

In January I also spoke with Bill LaPrairie about his department digging the necessary ditch for the electrical conduit and he agreed that would be possible.

I have attached a picture of a similar RomTec-brand toilet building with lighting.

We request approval from the Town Board to proceed.

Thank you,
Andy Coney

Vice President
Blue Mountain Lake Association

Bills and Abstracts

Abstracts/Bills

26631 - 26697 \$73,343.04

26698 - 26744 \$26,088.60

26550 - 26584 \$53,482.36

26585 - 26613 \$5,993.63

Supervisor made a motion to pay the Bills and Abstracts as presented. Seconded by Councilwoman Curry.

Roll Call: Councilman Mahoney Aye
 Councilwoman Stanton Aye
 Councilwoman Curry Aye
 Councilman Rathbun Aye
 Supervisor Wells Aye

Executive Session

Supervisor Wells made a motion to enter Executive Session at 8:23 p.m. for the purpose of discussing Personal and Contract Obligations. Seconded by, Councilman Rathbun. All in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor Wells made a motion to exit Executive Session at 9:12 p.m. Seconded by, Councilwoman Stanton. All in favor. Motion carried.

No action taken during Executive Session.

1. Supervisor Wells made a motion to use the Towns revolving loan fund to accept Adirondack One - Stop's application for \$325,000.00 for installing fuel pumps and tanks. The interest rate to be set at the current US (Federal) Prime Rate of 3.25%. Seconded by, Councilwoman Stanton. All in favor. Motion carried.
2. Councilwoman Stanton made a motion for the Town Supervisor and the Principal Account Clerk to develop and offer a deferred payment option on all loans presently held through the Town's Revolving Loan Fund to eligible borrowers. Seconded by, Councilwoman Curry. All in favor. Motion carried.
3. Supervisor Wells made a motion to allow the Indian Lake Chamber of Commerce to move into the Byron Park Building temporarily to help facilitate a smooth transition for Colleen Delcore to relocate to existing Chamber building. Seconded by, Councilman Rathbun.
4. Councilman Mahoney made a motion to have the Supervisor write a letter, denying Bark Eater Designs exclusive rights to Town Logo. Seconded by, Councilwoman Stanton. All in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor Wells made a motion to adjourn meeting at 9:55 P.M. Seconded by, Councilwoman Stanton. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by: Julie A. Clouston
Town Clerk