

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: PARK OPERATIONS & MANAGEMENT (O&M)

DATE: MAY 23, 2017

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS: MERLINO
DICKINSON
FRASIER
LEGGETT

OTHERS PRESENT:

VOTING MEMBERS:
ROBERT BLAIS, MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF LAKE GEORGE
JEFFERY TENNYSON, SUPERINTENDENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC WORKS
RONALD F. CONOVER, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, ACTING COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
AMY BARTLETT, ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER
SUPERVISORS BRAYMER
GIRARD
HYDE
MONTESI
SEEBER
SIMPSON
SOKOL
RANDY RATH, LAKE GEORGE ASSOCIATION
JIM LIEBERUM, WARREN COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION
DISTRICT MANAGER
BILL LAMY, PROJECT MANAGEMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEMBER
MICHAEL CONSUELO, LAKE GEORGE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & CVB
FRED AUSTIN, FORT WILLIAM HENRY
TRAVIS WHITEHEAD, TOWN OF QUEENSBURY RESIDENT
MICHAEL WILD, TOWN OF QUEENSBURY RESIDENT
LESLIE LOVELACE, SECRETARY TO THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the May 23, 2017 meeting of the Park Operations & Management Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following link: <http://www.warrencountyny.gov/gov/comm/Archive/2017/om/>

Mr. Merlino called the meeting of the Park Operations & Management (O&M) Committee to order at 10:46 a.m.

Motion was made by Mrs. Frasier, seconded by Mr. Leggett and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the previous Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Copies of the meeting agenda were distributed to the Committee members; a copy of same is on file with the meeting minutes.

Commencing the agenda review, privilege of the floor was extended to Jeffery Tennyson, Superintendent of Public Works, who apprised there was nothing to review under Action Agenda/New Business.

Moving on to the Referral/Pending Items, Mr. Tennyson stated there was no update for Item 1. He said regarding Item 2, both Randy Rath, from Lake George Association (LGA), and Jim Lieberum, Warren County Soil & Water Conservation District Manager, were in attendance to review the site plan. Mr. Lieberum explained the site survey he had done on the Park Wetlands and what areas needed to be

addressed, *copies of Mr. Lieberum's notes and site maps are on file with the meeting minutes.*

Discussion ensued.

Continuing with the Information for Discussion/Review portion of the agenda, Mayor Blais mentioned a French & Indian War Reenactment would be taking place at the Festival Space and extended privilege of the floor to Fred Austin, French & Indian War Society Board of Directors, who stated a 260th Anniversary of Siege and Surrender was planned on August 26 – 27, 2017 at the Battlefield Park as well as at the Festival Space and informed that the State of New York waived the fee of Battlefield Park. He requested the Committee waive the \$1500 per day usage fee for the Festival Space for the event, as well as to waive the Park Rules prohibiting overnight camping to allow event re-enactors to do so.

Discussion ensued, following which a motion was made by Mr. Leggett, seconded by Mr. Dickinson and carried unanimously to approve the request to waive the Festival Space fee (excluding the \$500 deposit to cover attendant costs) as well as to waive the rules pertaining to overnight camping, and forward same to the Finance Committee.

Next, Mayor Blais gave an update on events booked this year, noting they had increased to sixteen with the Hemmings Motor Sports Car Show being the latest booking. He requested an extra attendant for the June 24 – 25, 2017 Wine Festival; after discussion of the Park fees schedule, the Committee decided to bill the extra attendant to the event.

Mayor Blais then presented a request to issue a deposit refund in the amount of \$500 to Law Enforcement Officers Weekend Committee because they had not used the Festival Space for parking as originally intended.

Motion was made by Mr. Dickinson, seconded by Mrs. Frasier and carried unanimously to approve the request and refer same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Mr. Tennyson apprised that installation of public Wi-Fi service had been completed and the Charles R. Wood Park, half of the Festival Commons, the entire area around the restroom building and the Skate Park now had coverage.

There being no further business to come before the Park Operations & Management Committee, on motion made by Mrs. Frasier and seconded by Mr. Leggett, Mr. Merlino adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Leslie Lovelace, Secretary to the Clerk of the Board