

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: PARK OPERATIONS & MANAGEMENT (O & M)

DATE: JANUARY 20, 2021

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS: MERLINO
MAGOWAN
DICKINSON
GERAGHTY
HOGAN (ALTERNATE)

OTHERS PRESENT:

VOTING MEMBER:
ROBERT BLAIS, MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF LAKE GEORGE
KEITH LANFEAR, SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
VILLAGE OF LAKE GEORGE
KEVIN HAJOS, SUPERINTENDENT, PUBLIC WORKS
LEISA GRANT, PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT CLERK, TOURISM
RACHEL E. SEEBER, CHAIRWOMAN OF THE BOARD
RYAN MOORE, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
MARY ELIZABETH KISSANE, COUNTY ATTORNEY
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER
SUPERVISORS FRASIER
LEGGETT
SHEPLER
SMITH
WILD
TAMMIE DELORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY
ADMINISTRATOR
DON LEHMAN, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS
WAYNE LAMOTHE, COUNTY PLANNER
TOSHA BROWNELL, HELP DESK TECHNICIAN
MOLLY GANOTES-GLEASON, LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPECIALIST

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the January 20, 2021 meeting of the Park (O & M) Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following link: <https://warrencountyny.gov/gov/comm/Archive/2021/om>

Note: As per Governor Cuomo’s Executive Order 202.1: “Article 7 of the Public Officers Law, to the extent necessary to permit any public body to meet and take such actions authorized by the law without permitting in public in-person access to meetings and authorizing such meetings to be held remotely by conference call or similar service, provided that the public has the ability to view or listen to such proceeding and that such meetings are recorded and later transcribed”.Supervisors Merlino, Magowan and Geraghty were physically present., while Supervisors Dickinson and Hogan, along with the Village of Lake George representatives participated virtually.

Mr. Merlino called the meeting of the Park Operations & Management (O & M) Committee to order at 11:06 a.m

Copies of the Park O & M agenda were distributed to those in attendance and those participating virtually accessed the agenda via the Warren County website; *a copy of the agenda is on file with the meeting minutes.*

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

Privilege of the floor was extended to Kevin Hajos, *Superintendent, Public Works*, who indicated there were no Action Items to address.

Robert Blais, *Mayor of the Village of Lake George*, spoke regarding an ice skating rink at the Charles R. Wood Park Festival Commons. He advised he had spoken to Lake George officials and residents who were interested in an ice skating rink. He informed putting a rink on land was costly, adding the Village had multiple rinks on land that required significant time and maintenance. He advised motel owners had the ability to make a rink on the Lake in front of Shepards Park. Mr. Merlino suggested researching the matter again in May or June. Mayor Blais informed the Village would potentially be hosting ice castles next year. Ms. Hogan inquired if the rink was the same one as what was intended to be used for the upcoming Winter Fest event and Mayor Blais replied affirmatively. He said the entrance would be through Shepards Park and at night they would have lighting. Mr. Geraghty asked if the Lake was frozen and Mayor Blais replied in the negative. Mr. Magowan inquired about insurance and Mayor Blais responded the Village had no involvement in the maintenance, but he would look into the property insurance.

Regarding the crumbling wall at the Tiki Resort, Mr. Hajos informed a few ideas had been discussed, but they had not moved forward. He stated a plan would to be available in the spring and Mr. Dickinson advised he would participate in those discussions.

Mr. Merlino asked if there was any public comment and Don Lehman, *Director of Public Relations*, replied in the negative.

As there was no further business to come before the Park Operations & Management Committee, on motion made by Mr. Dickinson and seconded by Mr. Magowan, Mr. Merlino adjourned the meeting at 11:17 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Molly Ganotes-Gleason, Legislative Office Specialist