

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: PARK OPERATIONS & MANAGEMENT (O & M)

DATE: OCTOBER 14, 2022

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS: MERLINO
 DICKINSON

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

SUPERVISORS MAGOWAN
 HOGAN
 FRASIER (ALTERNATE)

OTHERS PRESENT:

VOTING MEMBERS:
 ROBERT BLAIS, MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF LAKE GEORGE
 KEITH LANFEAR, SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, VILLAGE OF
 LAKE GEORGE
 KEVIN HAJOS, SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
 KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIR OF THE BOARD
 CRAIG LEGGETT, ACTING COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
 LARRY ELMEN, COUNTY ATTORNEY
 AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD
 FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER
 SUPERVISOR SEEBER
 DON LEHMAN, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS
 SARAH MCLENITHAN, DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the October 14, 2022 meeting of the Park Operations & Management (O & M) Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following link:

<https://warrencountyny.gov/mma>

Mr. Merlino called the meeting of the Park (O & M) Committee to order at 12:05 p.m. (Please note due to a lack of attendance Chairman Geraghty served to make a quorum of the Committee).

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

Motion was made by Mr. Dickinson, seconded by Chairman Geraghty and carried by a majority vote of those present (*Mr. Magowan, Ms. Hogan and Mrs. Frasier absent*), to approve the minutes of the previous Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

The meeting commenced with review of the Discussion Items portion of the agenda with the following item:

1. Ice Castles request- Electrical and Waterline Upgrades. Committee was advised Ice Castles wanted another opportunity to present at a future meeting, after they were notified of concerns regarding impacts to children's playground. Photos were included in the agenda reflecting the addition of a light show which was creative, exciting and would attract additional visitors. It was advised they had improved the drainage as well as creating an exit on the east side of the park and would offer merchandise, food and beverage and an ice bar. Robert Blais, *Mayor of the Village of Lake George*, suggested the contract be increased to \$60,000 for the 2022-2023 event and include an escalation clause to increase the contract fee to \$65,000 if the event returned for 2023-2024. Regarding the upgrades to electrical and water lines, it was advised the lowest bid for the waterline was \$48,464. It was reported Ice Castles would pay for the costs up-front before any work was completed and inspected, along with any additional fees being submitted to Ice Castles for payment.

A motion was made by Mayor Blais, seconded by Mr. Dickinson and carried by a majority vote of those present (*Mr. Magowan, Ms. Hogan and Mrs. Frasier absent*) to amend the agreement with Ice Castles, LLC to increase the use fee to \$60,000 for 2022-2023 event in order to compensate for additional square footage being used, as well as to include an escalation clause for the following year, increasing the fee to \$65,000 should Ice Castles return for a 2023-2024 event and the necessary resolution was authorized for the November 4th Board Meeting.

Upon further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Dickinson, seconded by Chairman Geraghty and carried by a majority vote of those present (*Mr. Magowan, Ms. Hogan and Mrs. Frasier absent*) to establish Capital Project H419,

Charles R. Wood Waterline and Electric Project, in the amount of \$80,000 and refer same to the Finance Committee.

Mayor Blais announced he had booked three additional events that filled up the 2023 event calendar, with the exception of two weeks in July and one week in August, adding the Jeep event would be held the third week in September.

As there was no further business to come before the Park Operations & Management Committee, on motion made by Mr. Dickinson, seconded by Chairman Geraghty and carried by a majority vote of those present (*Mr. Magowan, Ms. Hogan and Mrs. Frasier absent*), Mr. Merlino adjourned the meeting at 12:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah McLenithan, Deputy Clerk of the Board
(*as Transcribed by Molly Ganotes-Gleason, Legislative Office Specialist*)