

**TOWN OF SAND LAKE
TOWN BOARD MEETING
April 27, 2022**

A Meeting of the Sand Lake Town Board was held on April 27, 2022 at the Sand Lake Town Hall. After the Pledge of Allegiance, the following answered roll call:

PRESENT:

- Deputy Supervisor Film
- Councilman Nippes
- Councilman Gendron
- Councilman Clemens
- Supervisor Gallerie
- Town Attorney Danaher

RECORDING SECRETARY: Barbara Hansen, Town Clerk

The Town Board welcomed the Averill Park High School Girl’s Basketball Team and presented the Team with Certified Copies of Resolution #2022-04-84 Congratulating them for winning the NYS Class A Championship.

SAND LAKE CENTER FOR THE ARTS: Executive Director Brian Sheldon gave an overview of upcoming programs. He noted that SLCA is a vital asset to our Town and an artistic outlet for visual, music and performance arts. Several musical performances and art projects are scheduled this season. The after school arts program will begin in May, and several other programs for children of all ages are scheduled.

MICHAEL WAGER, Building and Code Enforcement Officer spoke about the MS-4 Annual Report. He noted there have not been any major problems with the Storm Water Sewer System.

SUPERVISOR GALLERIE’S REPORT: The Stop 13 Road Bridge pre-construction meeting will be held on May 17th 10:00 am at Town Hall. ING Civil, NYS DOT, Ken Baldwin, Engineer, Commissioner of Public and myself will be here. It is an open meeting and the public is welcome.

The Sand Lake Hamlet sidewalk project is in full swing and is scheduled to be completed by May 31, 2022. This project also includes repair of sections of sidewalks in West Sand Lake. A project overview map is posted on the Town’s website.

The 2nd Dyke Road project is still awaiting final design. We are hoping to get the bid package completed and out for bids. This project is on a tight time frame as it cannot be started until Kay’s Restaurant closes October 15th with construction to kick off on October 17th, 2022 and completed before winter snow season.

Deputy Supervisor Film’s Report: There will be a Drug Take Back this Saturday 10:00 – 2:00 pm at the West Sand Lake Fire Department.

There is a Fire and Ambulance tax exemption for volunteers being proposed and support for it is growing. He pointed out that if it passes the savings will be an exemption on your assessment. If applied for that reduction will equate to a savings of about \$70-\$80. If you apply for that you will not be able to get the \$200.00 credit from the State. He believes it's the State's way of passing the cost on to the Towns and away from the State.

Councilman Nippes' Report: Music in the Park flyers have been printed and they will be available in several locations around Town. He reminded residents who walk their dogs in Butler Park to please clean up after their animals.

Councilman Gendron's Report: The Town Wide Clean Up "Make Sand Lake Shine" will kick off Saturday, May 7th and he hopes for a great turnout. The roof repair at Town Hall will be starting tomorrow and a bid package will be going out for the repairs on the roof at DPW.

Councilman Clemens' Report: We have an Architect coming to look at the repairs and updating needed for the bathrooms in the Library which is long overdue. We hope to get a set of plans and a defined scope of the work needed so we can get bids to complete the project.

There are still some streetlights out on Birch Drive. I've contacted NYSEG and they are waiting on getting some supplies before they can be repaired. He also noted he is in discussions with NYSEG about updating street light inventory and trying to eventually get all lights updated to LEDs.

Town Clerk, Barbara Hansen announced the Town is in need of Lifeguards, Beach Aides and Camp Counselors for the summer. Applications are on the Town's website or you can call me at Town Hall.

Brian Hunt, Commissioner of Public Works: A great deal of the damage from last July 14th's storm has been completed. Normal spring cleanup will begin soon.

Bill Glasser, VFW: Reminded everyone the Memorial Day Parade will be on May 30. Any Community organizations wishing to participate should contact him or Supervisor Gallerie.

BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION #2022-04-88

Adopting the 2021-2022 Annual MS-4 Report

Moved by: Supervisor Gallerie

Seconded by: Deputy Supervisor Film

WHEREAS, the Town of Sand Lake is subject to Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Phase II requirements of SPDES Permit NYR20A199 stormwater management requirements of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES), for the development and adoption of an Annual Report; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the Annual Report has been on file for review at the Town Clerk's

Office and the Town of Sand Lake website; and now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Sand Lake, does hereby adopt the Town's 2021-2022 Annual Report for Phase II SPDES General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4), GP-0-15-003.

AYES 5 – NAYS 0 UNANIMOUS

RESOLUTION #2022-04-89

Authorization for the Averill Park Junior Warriors Football Program to use Butler Park for the 2022 Season

Moved by: Supervisor Gallerie

Seconded by: Councilman Nippes

WHEREAS, the Averill Park Junior Warriors Football program is a valued organization in our community, benefitting many youth during past years; and

WHEREAS, the group has requested the Town of Sand Lake waive the fees associated with the use of Butler Park for practices and games; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, The Sand Lake Town Board hereby waives the fees in 2022 for the Averill Park Junior Warriors Football program to use Butler Park for practices and games. In exchange, the organization will mow the grass, keep the area clean and neat, and improve the growing conditions of the field to assist the Town in maintaining Butler Park. In addition, the Averill Park Junior Warriors Football program will participate in the town-wide clean-up days sponsored by the Planning Oversight Committee; and be it further

RESOLVED, that, prior to the start of usage, the Averill Park Junior Warriors Football program is required to submit proof of liability insurance to the Office of the Town Clerk.

AYES 5 – NAYS 0 UNANIMOUS

RESOLUTION #2022-04-90

Honoring Robert Stackrow for Sixty Years of Service to the Averill Park - Sand Lake Fire Department

Moved by: Supervisor Gallerie

Seconded by: Councilman Nippes

WHEREAS, Robert Stackrow joined the Averill Park - Sand Lake Fire Department as a Fire Fighter in 1962; and

WHEREAS, Robert has actively served in the Averill Park - Sand Lake Fire Department as a First Responder, Interior Firefighter, Apparatus Driver Pump Operator, and as a Line Officer; and

WHEREAS, Robert has held Fire Company Civil Office as President; and

WHEREAS, Robert has also held Fire District Offices as Commissioner and for ten years, Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Roberts tenure on the Board of Fire Commissioners was marked by the establishment of a series of reserve accounts dedicated to the procurement of equipment and vehicles thereby reducing the cost of acquisition of these critical assets; and

WHEREAS, Robert Stackrow has devoted countless hours of time and his talents to ensure the safety and well being of members of his community; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Sand Lake Town Board wishes to recognize and sincerely thank Robert Stackrow for sixty years of dedicated service to the Averill Park – Sand Lake Fire Department and Fire District, and wishes to honor his service to this community.

AYES 5 – NAYS 0 UNANIMOUS

RESOLUTION #2022-04-91

Designating the First Saturday in May Annually, as “I Love My Town Day”

Moved by: Councilman Gendron

Seconded by: Deputy Supervisor Film

WHEREAS, in recent years, the first Saturday in the month of May has been set aside as a town-wide cleanup day with volunteers giving of their time to provide spring cleanup of such locations as the Veterans Memorial Park, Butler Park, the Town Beach among others; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Sand Lake would like to formally recognize the dedication of the many volunteers and the work that they accomplish in support of their community; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Sand Lake designates the first Saturday in the month of May annually as “I Love My Town Day” and thanks the residents of the Town who so generously dedicate their time in support of this cleanup effort both in past years, and going forward.

AYES 5 – NAYS 0 UNANIMOUS

RESOLUTION #2022-04-92

Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with FCM Engineering, PLLC as a Town Designated Engineer

Moved by: Supervisor Gallerie

Seconded by: Councilman Nippes

WHEREAS, Professional Services such as Engineering are not subject to competitive bidding requirements per Section 103 of New York State General Municipal Law; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Sand Lake has a need of professional engineering services for small projects where external funding is not available, such as correcting drainage issues, development of standard details for infrastructure projects, and general support to various Town departments; and

WHEREAS, a proposal for engineering services was received from FCM Engineering, PLLC, to provide engineering support as specified in the attached proposal; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby designates FCM Engineering, PLLC, to provide engineering services for drainage, highway, and other civil, traffic, and highway engineering services to town departments requiring same, at the rates indicated in the proposal dated April 22, 2022 within the limits of Budget Line 1440.4000, Engineering, Contractual.

AYES 5 – NAYS 0 UNANIMOUS

RESOLUTION #2022-04-93

Honoring Dennis Caldwell for Fifty Years of Service to the Averill Park - Sand Lake Fire Department

Moved by: Supervisor Gallerie

Seconded by: Deputy Supervisor Film

WHEREAS, Dennis Caldwell joined the Averill Park - Sand Lake Fire Department as a Fire Fighter in 1972; and

WHEREAS, Dennis has actively served in the Averill Park - Sand Lake Fire Department as a First Responder, Interior Firefighter, Apparatus Driver; and

WHEREAS, Dennis has held Fire Company Office as Assistant Captain and as Chairman of the House Committee; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, Dennis was selected as Fireman of the Year for both the Averill Park Fire Company and Rensselaer County; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Caldwell has devoted countless hours of time and his talents to ensure the safety and well being of members of his community; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Sand Lake Town Board wishes to recognize and sincerely thank Dennis Caldwell for fifty years of dedicated service to the Averill Park – Sand Lake Fire Department and Fire District and wishes to honor his service to this community.

AYES 5 – NAYS 0 UNANIMOUS

There being no further business to come before the Board Supervisor Gallerie made a motion to adjourn the April 27, 2022 Town Board Workshop at 7:42 pm. It was seconded by Deputy Supervisor Film. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUS**