

**TOWN OF SAND LAKE
TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP
February 26th, 2025**

A Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Sand Lake was held on February 26th, 2025 at the Sand Lake Town Hall. After the Pledge of Allegiance, the following answered roll call:

PRESENT:

Supervisor Clemens
Deputy Supervisor Nippes
Councilman Glasser
Councilwoman Mason
Councilman Baker
Town Attorney Danaher
Recording Secretary: Barbara Hansen, Town Clerk

Approval of Minutes: Supervisor Clemens made a motion to approve the Minutes of the February 12, 2025 Town Board Meeting. Seconded by Deputy Supervisor Nippes, all were in favor. Motion carried.

OTHERS PRESENT: Kevin Rifenburgh, Garrett DeGraff, Jim Canders, Brian Hunt, per sign in sheet.

Reports:

Town Clerk Barbara Hansen – No report.

Supervisor Clemens – No report.

Deputy Supervisor Nippes: Music in the Park Summer Concert Series. Bands are booked and we will have a Resolution at the next meeting to approve the event. We are still looking to book additional food trucks. If interested reach out to me or call Town Hall and we will get you on the schedule.

Councilman Glasser: All three Veterans organizations are meeting at the Veterans Hall March 6th. If you are a veteran and interested in joining please contact me.

Councilwoman Mason: Youth: We're holding a free Movie Night at Town Hall March 7th 6:00, popcorn will be served. Easter Egg Hunt April 12th at Butler Park, 10:00. It will be divided into 4 age groups.

SLCA: Youth Music Showcase this Saturday, March 1st, 7:00 pm.

Also, Monday, March 17th the popular Irish group, Triskele will be performing. Call SLCA for tickets.

Spring Merchant Market: A collaboration between SL Merchant and SLCA May 10th, 10:00 – 3:00. Vendors interested should contact Amanda Goyer at: amanda@sandlakemerchant.com or call 518-362-5640.

Councilman Baker: Annual Spring Clean Up Day is scheduled for May 3rd. Flyer is on the Town's website and at Town Hall. There is a QR code to register to participate.

Public Works Commissioner, Kevin Rifenburg: Highway handled the last few snowstorms easily, but as reported in the news we experienced a shortage of road salt which slowed down our plowing and sanding. We recently received another shipment which should get us through the rest of winter. Toolcat is getting outfitted with a sander and should be available next week. We'll continue to patch potholes, weather permitting.

Public Comment: Garrett DeGraff: POC Trails Committee will be presenting a report in the near future. Also, the Democratic Minority of the County Legislature passed a Resolution condemning the pardon passed by President Trump for the January 6th, 2021 protesters. He supports the Resolution and requested the Sand Lake Town Board adopt a similar Resolution.

BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION #2025-02-72

Authorizing Participation in the Rensselaer County Household Hazardous Waste Program

Moved by: Councilman Baker

Seconded by: Dep Supervisor Nippes

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County is hosting several Household Hazardous Waste Days during 2025; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation is providing a 50 percent reimbursement and the Rensselaer County Legislature a 25% reimbursement to the Town to cover a total of 75% of the program costs; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Sand Lake desires to make this event available to a limited number of Town residents based on the needs of the community; now therefore be it

RESOLVED; that the Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to enter into an agreement with Rensselaer County to participate in the 2025 Household Hazardous Waste Program with up to forty residents, at a cost not to exceed \$4,500.00, subject to approval of the agreement by the Town Attorney as to form.

AYES 5 – NAYS 0 Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #2025-02-73**Authorization for the Averill Park Junior Warriors Football and Averill Park Pop Warner Cheerleading Programs to use Butler Park for the 2025 Season****Moved by: Councilwoman Mason****Seconded by: Councilman Glasser**

WHEREAS, the Averill Park Junior Warriors Football and Averill Park Pop Warner Cheerleading Programs are valued organizations in our community, benefitting many youth during years; and

WHEREAS, these organizations have recently requested the use of Butler Park and requested that the Town 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 2025 for Averill Park Junior Warriors Football and Averill Park Pop Warner Cheerleading to use Butler Park for practices and games. In exchange, the organizations 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, both organizations are required to submit proof of liability insurance to the Office of the Town Clerk.

AYES 5 – NAYS 0 Motion Carried**RESOLUTION #2025-02-74****Board of Assessment Review Re-Appointment****Moved by: Councilwoman Mason****Seconded by: Supervisor Clemens**

Be it Resolved, the Town Board of the Town of Sand Lake hereby re-appoints Jan Colabelli to the Board of Assessment Review for a term ending 9/30/2029; and

Be it Further Resolved, that upon certification of said Resolution, the Town Clerk's Office is hereby directed to update the Board of Assessment Review member list to reflect said appointment. **AYES 5 – NAYS 0 Motion Carried**

RESOLUTION #2025-02-75**Designating Committee Assignments to Town Board Members****Moved by: Councilman Glasser, as printed****Seconded by: Dep Supervisor Nippes**

WHEREAS, the committee assignments that were designated at the Town of Sand Lake Organizational Meeting on January 1st, 2024 have to be adjusted due to personnel changes on the Town Board; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following Committee Assignments are designated as indicated:

Deputy Sup Nippes: Planning and Zoning; Parks (1st); Animal Control; Assessment Services; Water Committee (2nd); Buildings;

Councilman Glasser: Beach (2nd), Ambulance/Emergency Services, Nopiates Coordination (2nd); Veterans; ; Seniors; Convenience Facility & Recycling;

Councilman Mason: Street Lights (1st); Youth; Sand Lake Center for the Arts; Historical Society; Highway & Sewer (2nd)

Councilman Baker: Parks (2nd); Beach (1st); Library; Broadband; Nopiates Coordination (1st); Street Lights (2nd); Budget (2nd); Community Beautification;

Supervisor Clemens: Water Committee (1st); Open Spaces; Budget; Staff; Highway and Sewer (1st); PFOA's, Sustainability, Planning and Zoning (2nd);

AYES 5 – NAYS 0 Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #2025-02-76

A Resolution to a Accept Bids for Surplus Equipment on Auction

Moved by: Councilman: Glasser

Seconded by: Dep Supervisor Nippes

WHEREAS, at the Board Meeting on February 12, 2025, the Sand Lake Town

Board approved Resolution #2025-02-68 Authorization Auction Surplus Equipment; and

WHEREAS, the auction ended on February 24th, 2025; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Commissioner of Public Works to accept the bids for the following items on auction:

Highway

1. 2018 Bobcat Toolcat 5600 Serial# AHG861888 (\$32,600.00)

AYES 5 – Nays 0 Motion Carried

There being no other business or public comment to come before the Board Supervisor Clemens made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 pm. It was seconded by Deputy Supervisor Nippes and all were in favor. Motion carried.

