Village of Tupper Lake
Board of Trustees
Minutes

Date:	Wednesday, December 19, 2018	
Location:	Board Room	
Meeting:	Regular Monthly	6:00-7:40 PM

At the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held this date, the following were present: Mayor Paul A. Maroun, Trustees David Maroun, Leon LeBlanc, Ronald LaScala, Clint Hollingsworth and Village Clerk/Treasurer Mary A. Casagrain.

Also present were Electric Superintendent Marc Staves, Water/Wastewater Superintendent Mark Robillard, Code Enforcement Officer Peter Edwards, Police Chief Eric Prolix, Department of Public Works Superintendent Robert Degrace, Students Lexi Goodwin, Dante Graceville, Alexis Staves, Kayla Lapeer, Caitlyn Fleming, Cassandra Simpler, Bradley McLean, Brennan Comber, Maria Brunette, Dylan Debone, Resident James Lengthier and Jan Yaworski, and News Reporters Aaron Cerbone and Daniel McClelland.

Call Regular Meeting To Order — Mayor Maroun called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Pledge — Pledge of allegiance to the flag and a moment of silence and prayer for the safe return of missing teen Colin Gillis.

Public comment
James Lanthier — Resident Mr. James Lanthier wished the board a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and he expressed how happy he is that Tupper Lake has a new radio station 102.1 FM,

Cooperation Resolution
AATV Cell Coverage — Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Maroun to formally approve a resolution supporting cooperation between other agencies to provide cell coverage for all NYS residents and visitors as presented to us from Adirondack Association of Towns & Village as follows:

Resolution No. 1-121918
RESOLUTION IMPLORING ADIRONDACK INTERCOUNTY, AOT, NYCOM, NYSAC, AND NYS TO COME TOGETHER WITH A PLAN TO PROVIDE CELL COVERAGE FOR ALL NYS RESIDENTS AND VISITORS

WHEREAS, Cellular Service and the ability to use individual wireless devices is no longer a luxury; and,

WHEREAS, every area of the State, irrespective of financial means or the economics, has a right to this key piece of technology infrastructure; and,

WHEREAS, cell phones and the requisite cell coverage are in many cases the first link of our Emergency Response Chain for Fire, Ambulance and Law Enforcement; and,

WHEREAS, this infrastructure also drives commerce and tourism, is a part of education, and core to our quality of life; and,

WHEREAS, there are still large tracts of NYS which are still deprived of this utility; and,

WHEREAS, we as government officials have an obligation to provide for the public safety, the education, as well as the equitable treatment and opportunity for all of our citizens; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Village of Tupper Lake and Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages hereby calls upon all local governments to stand together, individually and through our associations to insist that the time is now to move NYS ahead of the nation in terms of this critical technology; and be it also,

RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senate Majority Flanagan, Senate Minority Stewart-Cousins, Assembly Speaker Heastie, All the Adirondack Legislators, Adirondack Intercounty, NYSAC, AOT, NYCOM, the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board and the Adirondack Towns & Villages.

(Carried 5-0)

Board Minutes Approved	Motion by Trustee LeBlanc, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to approve the board minutes from November 19, 2018 and December 3, 2018 respectively. (Carried 5-0)
Code Enforcement: Accept November Monthly Report	Motion by Trustee Hollingsworth seconded by Trustee LaScala to approve the November 2018 Monthly Code Report. (Carried 5-0)
16 McFarland Avenue Demolition Schedule	Code Enforcement Officer Peter Edwards advised the board that beginning January 7, 2019 the asbestos abatement will begin and demolition to start January 15, 2019.
Drafted Code Revision Review	It was noted that the joint efforts of the Village and Town to complete the 2nd version of the rough draft has been completed and available for the board's review and comment before finalizing it for the public.
Police: Accept November Monthly Report	Motion by Trustee Hollingsworth, seconded by Trustee LaScala to approve the November 2018 Monthly Police Report for the Village and Town of Tupper Lake. (Carried 5-0)
Supervisory School Police Sergeant Jordan Nason	Chief of Police Eric Proulx advised that Police Sergeant Jordan Nason will be attending Supervisory Schooling in Plattsburgh 2/11-3/1. It was so moved by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Maroun to authorize the travel and attendance for Sgt. Nason accordingly. (Carried 5-0)
Defensive Tactics Changes	Chief of Police Eric Proulx advised that they have changed the defensive tactics needed for certification and they plan to complete the refresher training my March of 2019.
2017 Ford Explorer Vehicle Damage Changes	Chief of Police Eric Proulx advised that while transporting to Franklin County the 2017 Ford Explorer was damaged by a deer that hit the passenger side of the vehicle. It should be out of service for about a week once we get the all clear from NYMIR at LeRoy's Auto Repair.
Fire: Accept November Monthly Report	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to approve the November 2018 Monthly Fire Report. (Carried 5-0)

Santa Clara Fire Contract	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Maroun to authorize Mayor Maroun to execute the Santa Clara Fire Protection Agreement for periods 2019-2023 as proposed. (Carried 5-0)
Santa Visit To Community	Mayor Maroun took a moment to advise all that Santa is visiting the community by fire truck tonight and tomorrow evening.
DPW: Miscellaneous Update	Department of Public Works Superintendent Robert Degrace advised that they are waiting for spring and picking up snow.
Youth Baseball Field Future Restrictions	Motion by Trustee Maroun, seconded by Trustee LaScala to place restrictions on the use of the youth baseball field to children up to the age of 12 years old only and to take the letter from Maynard Peroza on behalf of the Tupper Lake Youth Baseball and Softball Association (TLYBSA)/Rotary Club under advisement. (Carried 5-0)
W/WW: Wastewater Change Order No. 1-C2AE	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee LeBlanc to formally approve Wastewater Change Order No. 1 for C2AE for additional work for the sewer capital project and authorize Mayor Maroun to execute when it is received. (Carried 5-0)
Bond Counsel Services Agreement Harris Beach PLLC	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Maroun to reauthorize the December 20, 2013 Bond Counsel Services agreement with Harris Beach PLLC for our on-going Water Project. (Carried 5-0)
Electric: Annual Winter Moratorium	Electric Superintendent Marc Staves advised the New York Power Authority has issued a Holiday Disconnect Moratorium notice restricting us from actively persuing winter disconnects for our system customers from December 17, 2018 through January 2, 2019.
NYPA FY2018 Financial Review	Electric Superintendent Marc Staves advised the board that NYPA has conducted a financial review of our systems finances as of fiscal year end May 31, 2018 and we are on very good financial standing. They are encouraging us to reinvest in our system through system upgrades and infrastructure.
MRB Group Schematic Plans	Electric Superintendent Marc Staves advised the board that MRB Group are working on a set of elevation schematic plans and they should be 90% completed for our review in anticipation of going to bid in late January 2019.
Bucket Truck Out of Service	Electric Superintendent Marc Staves advised the board that the green bucket truck is out of service due to oil pressure issues and is being repaired by Clark's Truck Service in Plattsburgh.
Treasurer: Approve Warrant	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Maroun to approve the December 19, 2018 warrant in the amount of $444,413.88 for payment of the bills and abstracts for the month of November 2018. (Carried 5-0)
Review Cash Position	Review the monthly cash position for November 30, 2018.

Trustee Addresses Visit to Town Board Meeting	Trustee LaScala shared with the board that at a recent Town of Tupper Lake Town Board Meeting he wasn't welcomed and was limited to speak by a town official due to his recent comments about the recent capital improvements to the town offices. Trustee LaScala expressed his desire to further discuss Article 17 of the General Municipal Law of expanding the Village boundary to be coterminous with that of the Town stating that he feels this is the next logical form of government. Trustee LeBlanc suggested we reach out and have a sit down with the two full boards to discuss the issue further. Mayor Maroun advised that once he returns from vacation he would reach out to the Town Supervisor to coordinate such a meeting.
Enter Executive Session At 6:45 PM	Motion by Trustee LeBlanc, seconded by Trustee LaScala to enter into Executive Session at 6:45 pm for the purpose of discussing the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation. In addition, to discuss the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property. (Carried 5-0)
Exit Executive Session at 7:30 PM	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Hollingsworth to exit Executive Session at 7:30 pm. (Carried 5-0)
Mark Dewyea General Release	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee LeBlanc to formally approve payment to Mr. Mark Dewyea in the amount of $1,572.71 for veterinary services incurred with police activity in consideration of a general release granted to the Village by Mr. Mark Dewyea. (Carried 5-0)
Electric Line Helper Hire Joel Boudreau	Motion by Trustee Hollingsworth, seconded by Trustee LaScala to hire Mr. Joel Boudreau effective January 7, 2019 as an Electric Line Helper. (Carried 5-0)
Re-appoint Mr. Nathan Race as Village Attorney	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Maroun to re-appoint Mr. Nathan Race as our Village Attorney for a term of December 1, 2018 through November 30, 2019. (Carried 5-0)
Raquette River Brewing Purchase Offer & Mitigation Needs	Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Maroun to deem a portion of Balsam Street lying southerly and westerly on Main Street and the unopened portion of Balsam Street "paper street" as surplus and not needed for municipal purpose and to formally accept Raquette River Brewing's purchase offer of $13,000.00 as fair and equitable compensation for the purchase of said property. All expenses associated with transferring the property will be born by Raquette River Brewing as well as the cost of completing a survey of the discontinued street and R.O.W. for the village utilities. In addition, the Village does hereby declare a portion of the property as marked by tax map#490.32-1-2 as indicated on the 4/24/17 map prepared by M. Rooks with the Adirondack Park Agency adjacent to our Wastewater Treatment Facility as surplus and not needed for municipal purposes and would allow a portion

(500' x 50') of this Village owned property to be converted into wetlands in exchange for privately owned property being reclaimed for economic development associated with the Raquette River Brewing expansion. The Village would require receipt of fair and adequate consideration for the diminution in the value of the property from wetland conversion and any resulting restrictive covenant. All costs associated with the mitigation of land associated with the former Balsam Street developed and undeveloped portions which is estimated to be approximately 500' by 50' in area will be Raquette River Brewing's responsibility above and beyond the accepted purchase offer and fair and adequate consideration to be received from the purchaser once an appraisal is completed. (Carried 4-0, with Trustee Hollingsworth "Abstained")

Water Street Shed Construction

Trustee LeBlanc asked that our Code Enforcement Officer Peter Edwards inspect a shed that was constructed at the end of Water Street to verify its location and compliance according to the building permit issued.

Water Monitor Presentations January 16, 2019

Trustee LaScala reminded the board members that three vendors will be presenting viable water monitors for our water capital project during the day of January 16, 2019, if you are free to please attend.

Adjournment

Motion by Trustee LaScala, seconded by Trustee Maroun to adjourn at 7:40 pm. (Carried 5-0)

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Mary A. Casagrain, Village Clerk/Treasurer