

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held in the Board Room of the Community Building, 318 Lakeville Road Monday, January 13, 2025 at 7:30 P.M.

- PRESENT: Mayor Adam Hoffman  
Deputy Mayor Gene Kaplan  
Trustee Spyro Dimitratos
- Trustee Fred Handsman  
Trustee Marian Lee
- ALSO PRESENT: Patrick Farrell, Administrator/Clerk  
Margaret Deane, Treasurer  
Andrea Curto, Village Attorney  
Pat McDermott, Superintendent of Public Works  
Patricia Santomauro, Deputy Clerk
- Mark Gopen, Resident  
David Milner, BZA Chairperson/Resident  
Arnold Leung, Resident  
William Lee, Resident
- ABSENT: Trustee Larry Farkas  
Trustee Robert Gal

Mayor Hoffman called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kaplan moved to approve the Minutes of December 9, 2024. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Farkas was absent from the vote.

Mayor Hoffman, Deputy Mayor Kaplan and Attorney Kalnitsky had no reports at this time. Administrator Farrell will report during Executive Session.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Trustee Handsman moved to approve the Abstract of Claims as presented for \$709,760.23 (25/08) and the Pre-Paid Abstract of Claims as presented for \$2,587,809.54 (25/07X). The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Farkas was absent from the vote.

The treasurer's report is for informational purposes only. (annexed hereto)

Budget Reports are for informational purposes only.

Mayor Hoffman seconded by Trustee Dimitratos moved to approve the Budget Adjustments. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Farkas was absent from the vote.

Deputy Treasurer Margaret Deane, set the FYE 2025/2026 budgeting meeting dates as follows; Department Heads will meet on Wednesday, February 26, 2025, at 8:00 AM. The Budget Work Session will be during the week of March 18-20, 2025 at 5:00 PM.

The Board tabled the Resolution to approve the Park/Gazebo decking color until the next Board of Trustees meeting on Monday, February 10, 2025.

The Board tabled the Resolution to accept SCAR Assessment changes until the next Board of Trustees meeting on Monday, February 10, 2025.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Trustee Lee moved to approve the following **RESOLUTION**:

**BE IT RESOLVED,**

The Village of Lake Success approves the change in funding for the kitchen flooring from the Reno Fund to a BAN.

On the call of the roll: Mayor Hoffman voting aye; Deputy Mayor Kaplan voting aye, Trustee Lee voting aye; Trustee Handsman voting aye; Trustee Dimitratos voting aye; Trustee Farkas was absent from the vote.

Trustee Handsman, seconded by Trustee Lee moved to approve the following **RESOLUTION**:

**BE IT RESOLVED,**

The Village of Lake Success reconfirms Tax Grievance Day will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2025 between 4:00 PM and 8:00 PM. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Farkas was absent from the vote.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kaplan moved to approve the following **RESOLUTION**:

**BE IT RESOLVED,**

The Village of Lake Success moved to introduce Bill No. 1 of 2025, a Local Law authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the limit established in General Municipal Law §3-c and set a Public Hearing for February 10, 2025. The motion was unanimously approved by those present. Trustee Farkas was absent from the vote.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kaplan moved to approve the following **RESOLUTION**:

**BE IT RESOLVED,**

The Village of Lake Success approves the FPM Environmental Engineering contract for 2025.

On the call of the roll: Mayor Hoffman voting aye; Deputy Mayor Kaplan voting aye, Trustee Lee voting aye; Trustee Handsman voting aye; Trustee Dimitratos voting aye; Trustee Farkas and Trustee Gal were absent from the vote.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Trustee Dimitratos moved to approve the following **RESOLUTION**:

**BE IT RESOLVED,**

The Village of Lake Success approves of the installation of a Stop sign on the NE corner of Bates Road and Market Lane.

On the call of the roll: Mayor Hoffman voting aye; Deputy Mayor Kaplan voting aye, Trustee Lee voting aye; Trustee Handsman voting aye; Trustee Dimitratos voting aye; Trustee Farkas and Trustee Gal were absent from the vote.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Trustee Lee moved to approve the following **RESOLUTION**:

**BE IT RESOLVED,**

The Village of Lake Success grants permission, upon NYSDOT approval, to the Lake Success Police Dept. to install license plate reader equipment within the geographical jurisdiction of the Village of Lake Success and the State of New York.

On the call of the roll: Mayor Hoffman voting aye; Deputy Mayor Kaplan voting aye, Trustee Lee voting aye; Trustee Handsman voting aye; Trustee Dimitratos voting aye; Trustee Farkas and Trustee Gal were absent from the vote.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Trustee Lee moved to approve the following **RESOLUTION**:

**BE IT RESOLVED,**

The Village of Lake Success authorizes Administrator, Patrick Farrell to attend NYCOM Winter Legislation Meeting February 2, 2025 through February 4, 2025 for an amount not to exceed \$1,000.

On the call of the roll: Mayor Hoffman voting aye; Deputy Mayor Kaplan voting aye, Trustee Lee voting aye; Trustee Handsman voting aye; Trustee Dimitratos voting aye; Trustee Farkas and Trustee Gal were absent from the vote. Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Trustee Dimitratos, moved to approve the following **RESOLUTION**:

**BE IT RESOLVED,**

The Village of Lake Success authorizes payment of \$14,351.00 to Nelson & Pope for the Tennis Court engineering services.

On the call of the roll: Mayor Hoffman voting aye; Deputy Mayor Kaplan voting aye, Trustee Lee voting aye; Trustee Handsman voting aye; Trustee Dimitratos voting aye; Trustee Farkas and Trustee Gal were absent from the vote.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Trustee Dimitratos, moved to approve the following **RESOLUTION**:

**BE IT RESOLVED,**

The Village of Lake Success approves Belgrave Water Fee Schedule for processing sewage FYE 2025.

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The Board tabled the Resolution to approve funding for the replacement of all existing HVAC systems at the Village Police Station & Village Court until February 10, 2025 in efforts to obtain more quotes and bids.

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Trustee Handsman, seconded by Trustee Dimitratos, moved to approve the following **RESOLUTION**:

**BE IT RESOLVED,**

The Village of Lake Success approves the 2025 contract with Fields of Green Landscaping in the amount of \$81,000.

On the call of the roll: Mayor Hoffman voting aye; Deputy Mayor Kaplan voting aye, Trustee Lee voting aye; Trustee Handsman voting aye; Trustee Dimitratos voting aye; Trustee Farkas and Trustee Gal were absent from the vote.

Trustee Handsman, seconded by Trustee Dimitratos, moved to approve the following **RESOLUTION**:

**BE IT RESOLVED,**

The Village of Lake Success approves the purchase of a new gas pump in an amount not to exceed \$26,000.

On the call of the roll: Mayor Hoffman voting aye; Deputy Mayor Kaplan voting aye, Trustee Lee voting aye; Trustee Handsman voting aye; Trustee Dimitratos voting aye; Trustee Farkas and Trustee Gal were absent from the vote.

Golf Commissioner, Deputy Mayor Kaplan reported the Bunker project is currently on hold as the ground is frozen He will be meeting with the engineers and architects on Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>.

Trustee Handsman, Chairman of the House Committee reported there will be a Valentine's Day Dinner on Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. \$90 per person. Trustee Handsman invited everyone to join us that night.

The Board tabled the decision to provide Camp with utilizing the Camp Room by May 1, 2025 until the February 10, 2025 Board of Trustees meeting.

The next NCVOA meeting is Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at Westbury Manor.

Motion made by Mayor Hoffman seconded by Deputy Mayor Kaplan the Board went into Executive Session at 8:14 PM

Motion made by Mayor Hoffman seconded by Deputy Maor Kaplan the Board came out of Executive Session at 8:47 PM

RESOLUTION made by Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kaplan to approve Pat McDermott to cash in 10 vacation days. All approved

RESOLUTION made by Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Trustee Dimitratos to approve OT pay for Asst. Chief Staniszewski when he was called in over the weekend to relieve a Sergeant and patrol due to no Sergeants being available. This will be reflected in the updated verbiage in his new contract being negotiated with the new PBA Contract effective June 1, 2025 All approved.

RESOLUTION made by Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kaplan to approve the requested increase in car allowance from \$300 to \$600 per month for Jon Price's new contract. All approved.

Motion made by Mayor Hoffman seconded by Deputy Mayor Kaplan meeting was closed at 8:50 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Santomauro  
Deputy Clerk