

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Board of Trustees
Monday, February 10, 2025 at 7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Adam Hoffman
Deputy Mayor Gene Kaplan
Trustee Larry Farkas
Trustee Robert Gal
Trustee Marian Lee
Trustee Spyro Dimitratos
Trustee Fred Handsman

ALSO PRESENT: Patrick E. Farrell, Village Administrator
Margaret Deane, Deputy Treasurer
Patricia Santomauro, Deputy Clerk
Andrea Curto, Esq., Village Attorney
Mary Kate Waldron, Court Reporter
Dina Burachio, Resident
Vashti & Edward Hackett, Residents
Arnold Leung, Resident
William Lee, Resident

Mayor Hoffman called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:33 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kaplan moved to open the Public Hearing at 7:34 p.m. (Verbatim transcript annexed hereto)

Mayor Hoffman stated the purpose of the Public Hearing is to adopt Local Law No. 1 of 2025, authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the limit established in General Municipal Law Paragraph 3-C.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Trustee Lee moved to close the Public Hearing at 7:36 p.m.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Trustee Lee, moved to adopt Bill No. 1 of 2025, a local law authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the limit established in General Municipal Law Paragraph 3-C. 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 voting Aye; and Trustee Gal voting Aye.

Trustee Gal reported that the Park Commission voted on the color 'Caramel' for the Trex Decking that will be placed underneath the gazebos by the pool and he will motion to ratify the email vote approval by the Board of Trustees this evening. A discussion followed regarding the installation of all 15 decks along with the canopies that need to be replaced this year due to disrepair. It would be problematic to install the decking after the gazebo installation without damaging the new canopies. The Board would prefer to see the result of the first five (5) gazebos completed before committing to installing all of the decking. Pat McDermott, Superintendent of Dept. of Public Works stated he will install the first five (5) gazebos with decking in March and if it is determined to move forward, he will install the remaining gazebos and decking in the Spring.

Trustee Gal seconded by Mayor Hoffman moved to ratify the email vote approving the color 'Caramel' for the Trex Decking to be installed underneath the gazebos by the pool. The motion was unanimously approved by those present.

Mayor Hoffman invited our guests, new residents Vashti & Edward Hackett, to come up and introduce themselves. Vashti mentioned they purchased a property on Schoolhouse Lane and that she is a realtor with Keller Williams. Vashti and Edward come from East Meadow and would like to learn a bit more about the rules and regulations here in Lake Success. They will be submitting plans through their architect but have learned that some of the rules and regulations have changed to some of

the ideas she had planned. Mayor Hoffman explained that the builders found ways around the rules we had in place and 35ft. homes were being built. The board is trying to minimize this. Mayor Hoffman stated that you can still have high ceilings in your home, it will just lower your square footage. The restrictions the Village has in place are reasonable.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kaplan, moved to approve the Minutes of January 13, 2025. The motion was unanimously approved by those present.

Deputy Mayor Kaplan, Administrator Farrell, and Village Attorney Andrea Curto will report during the Executive Session.

Mayor Hoffman announced that the State and the Albanese Organization have taken over one Marcus Avenue for development with a State Private-Public Partnership. They have a 99-year land lease with the hospital, and this is the second time they have come in with plans for the use of the property. They are looking to break ground next summer with plans for labs, and a hotel with a conference center. They will be returning on March 4th with the changes discussed and will be filing a Pre-application Review.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Trustee Dimitratos, moved to approve the Abstract of Claims as presented for \$236,475.85 and the Pre-Paid Abstract of Claims 25/08x in the amount of \$447,671.93 and \$7644.00. The motion was unanimously approved by those present.

The Treasurer's report is annexed hereto.

Monthly budget reports are for informational purposes only.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Trustee Dimitratos, moved to approve the Budget Adjustments as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by those present.

Mayor Hoffman reminded the Board there is a Budget Meeting at the end of February.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kaplan, moved to approve the return of Tax Roll & Warrant FYE May 31, 2025. The motion was unanimously approved by those present.

Trustee Gal stated the Camp has requested the use of the camp room as of May 1, 2025. The court uses that room to adjudicate cases so it will not be available. Trustee Gal will inform them it is not available.

Trustee Gal reported that Jean Tien reached out to Court Reserve regarding a card access system. Court Reserve is an App with the ability to send a code to unlock the gate when you have a reservation for the court. Court reserve partners with one specific company called Remote Lock and it is estimated \$1500 per push bar access. A suggestion was to have two 2 separate systems. Trustee Gal will do further research.

Marian Lee stated the gate at the pool does not auto close. Pat McDermott will look into either making an adjustment or replacing the spring.

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

BE IT RESOLVED,

The Village of Lake Success approves the Village Administrator to go out for Bid for the 2025 DPW & Golf uniforms on March 31, 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 voting aye and Trustee Gal voting aye.

EXTRACT OF MINUTES

Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the
Village of Lake Success, in the
County of Nassau, New York

February 10, 2025

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A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Lake Success, in the County of Nassau, New York, was held at Village Hall, 318 Lakeville Road, Lake Success New York, on February 10, 2025.

There were present: Adam Hoffman, Mayor; and

Deputy Mayor Kaplan; and

Trustees: Larry Farkas, Spyro Dimitratos, Fred Handsman, Robert Gal, and Marian Lee.

There were absent: None

Also present: Patrick Farrell, Village Administrator-Clerk

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Mayor Adam Hoffman offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF LAKE SUCCESS, NEW YORK,
ADOPTED FEBRUARY 10, 2025, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF
BONDS IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$639,900 TO
FINANCE THE REPLACEMENT OF HVAC UNITS AT VILLAGE HALL AND
THE VILLAGE POLICE BUILDING, STATING THE ESTIMATED
MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$639,900 AND APPROPRIATING SAID
AMOUNT FOR SUCH PURPOSE

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF LAKE SUCCESS, IN THE COUNTY OF
NASSAU, NEW YORK, HEREBY RESOLVES (by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all the
members of said Board of Trustees) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Village of Lake Success, in the County of Nassau, New York (herein called the
“Village”), is hereby authorized to issue bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$639,900 pursuant to the Local
Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called the
“Law”), to finance the replacement of HVAC units at Village Hall and the Village Police Building.

Section 2. The estimated maximum cost of the project described herein, including preliminary
costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof, is \$639,900 and said amount is hereby appropriated
for such purpose. The plan of financing includes the issuance of bonds in a principal amount not to exceed
\$639,900 to finance said appropriation, and the levy and collection of taxes on all the taxable real property in the
Village to pay the principal of said bonds and the interest thereon as the same shall become due and payable.

Section 3. The following additional matters are hereby determined and declared:

(a) The period of probable usefulness applicable to the object or purpose for which said bonds are
authorized to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 13 of the Law, is ten (10) years.

(b) The proceeds of the bonds herein authorized, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, may be applied to reimburse the Village for expenditures made after the effective date of this resolution for the purpose for which said bonds are authorized. The foregoing statement of intent with respect to reimbursement is made in conformity with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2 of the United States Treasury Department.

(c) The proposed maturity of the bonds authorized by this resolution will exceed five (5) years.

Section 4. Each of the bonds authorized by this resolution, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, shall contain the recital of validity as prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and said bonds, and any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, shall be general obligations of the Village, payable as to both principal and interest by general tax upon all the taxable real property within the Village. The faith and credit of the Village are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds, and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, and provision shall be made annually in the budget of the Village by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the bonds and any notes in anticipation thereof to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Law and pursuant to the provisions of Section 21.00 of the Law relative to the authorization of bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, Section 30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes and Section 50.00 and Sections 56.00 to 60.00 and Section 168.00 of the Law, the powers and duties of the Board of Trustees relative to authorizing bond anticipation notes and prescribing the terms, form and contents and as to the sale and issuance of the bonds herein authorized, and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, and the renewals of said bond anticipation notes, and as to executing agreements for credit enhancement, are hereby delegated to the Village Treasurer, the chief fiscal officer of the Village.

Section 6. The validity of the bonds authorized by this resolution, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, may be contested only if:

- (a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the Village is not authorized to expend money, or
- (b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of such resolution, or a summary thereof, are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

- (c) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Section 7. This bond resolution is subject to a permissive referendum and the Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed, within ten (10) days after the adoption of this resolution, to publish or cause to be published, in full, in the official newspaper of the Village, having a general circulation within said Village, and posted in at least six (6) public places and in each polling place in the Village, a Notice in substantially the form appearing in Exhibit A hereto.

Section 8. The Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed, after said bond resolution shall take effect, to cause said bond resolution to be published, in summary, in the official newspaper of the Village, having a general circulation within said Village, together with a Notice in substantially the form as provided by Section 81.00 of the Law.

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The adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as

follows:

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

The resolution was declared adopted.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kaplan, moved to ratify the email vote authorizing the first payment of \$30,000 for the new kitchen floor as per the proposal approved at the January 13, 2025, Board Meeting. The motion was unanimously approved by those present.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Trustee Farkas, moved to ratify the email vote authorizing a payment of \$57,734.75 to United Paving. The motion was unanimously approved by those present.

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

BE IT RESOLVED,

The Village of Lake Success approves the 2025 proposal from Gold Coast Arts Center in the amount of \$1,500.00

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 voting aye and Trustee Gal voting aye.

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

BE IT RESOLVED,

The Village of Lake Success accepts the 2025 Stormwater Management Program Plan prepared by Dan Loscalzo of LiRo Engineering that was posted on our website on December 18, 2024.

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 voting aye and Trustee Gal voting aye.

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

BE IT RESOLVED,

The Village of Lake Success approves appointing Mark Berlinsky to the Board of Assessment Review.

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 voting aye and Trustee Gal voting aye.

Mayor Hoffman, seconded by the Trustee Farkas, moved to ratify the email vote authorizing the replacement of Culinart's walk-in refrigerator and freezer at a cost not to exceed \$62,000 which will be funded by the Reno Fund. The motion was unanimously approved by those present.

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

BE IT RESOLVED,

The Village of Lake Success approves appointing Mark Berlinsky to the Board of Assessment Review.

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 voting aye and Trustee Gal voting aye.

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

BE IT RESOLVED,

The Village of Lake Success approves Cullen & Danowski's engagement letter for the financial year 2024-2025.

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 voting aye and Trustee Gal voting aye.

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

BE IT RESOLVED,

The Village of Lake Success approves Cullen & Danowski's engagement letter addendum for the financial year 2024-2025.

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 voting aye and Trustee Gal voting aye.

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

BE IT RESOLVED,

The Village of Lake Success approves the extension of the GNSD IMA for June 2025 to June 2026. The agreement will remain at \$3,500.00.

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 voting aye and Trustee Gal voting aye.

The Board of Trustees announced the date for the 2025 Music Fest will be August 9, 2025, with a rain date of August 10, 2025.

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There were absent: 0

Also present: Patrick Farrell, Village Administrator-Clerk

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Mayor Adam Hoffman offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF LAKE SUCCESS, NEW YORK,
ADOPTED FEBRUARY 10, 2025, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF
BONDS IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$60,000 TO FINANCE
THE CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FLOOR AT THE
COMMUNITY CENTER, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST
THEREOF IS \$60,000 AND APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT FOR SUCH
PURPOSE

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF LAKE SUCCESS, IN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, NEW YORK, HEREBY RESOLVES (by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all the members of said Board of Trustees) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Village of Lake Success, in the County of Nassau, New York (herein called the “Village”), is hereby authorized to issue bonds in an principal amount not to exceed \$60,000 pursuant to the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called the “Law”), to finance the construction of improvements to the floor at the Community Center.

Section 2. The estimated maximum cost of the project described herein, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof, is \$60,000 and said amount is hereby appropriated for such purpose. The plan of financing includes the issuance of bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$60,000 to finance said appropriation, and the levy and collection of taxes on all the taxable real property in the Village to pay the principal of said bonds and the interest thereon as the same shall become due and payable.

Section 3. The following additional matters are hereby determined and declared:

(a) The period of probable usefulness applicable to the object or purpose for which said bonds are authorized to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 12 (a) (2) of the Law, is fifteen (15) years; however, the bonds authorized pursuant to this resolution and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, shall mature no later than five (5) years after the date of original issuance of said bonds or notes.

(b) The proceeds of the bonds herein authorized, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, may be applied to reimburse the Village for expenditures made after the effective date of this resolution for the purpose for which said bonds are authorized. The foregoing statement of intent with respect to reimbursement is made in conformity with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2 of the United States Treasury Department.

(c) The proposed maturity of the bonds authorized by this resolution will not exceed five (5) years.

Section 4. Each of the bonds authorized by this resolution and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds shall contain the recital of validity as prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and said bonds, and any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, shall be general obligations of the Village, payable as to both principal and interest by general tax upon all the taxable real property within the Village. The faith and credit of the Village are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds, and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, and provision shall be made annually in the budget of the Village by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the bonds and any notes in anticipation thereof to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Law and pursuant to the provisions of Section 21.00 of the Law relative to the authorization of the issuance of bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, Section 30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes and Section 50.00 and Sections 56.00 to 60.00 and 168.00 of the Law, the powers and duties of the Board of Trustees relative to authorizing bond anticipation notes and prescribing the terms, form and contents and as to the sale and issuance of the bonds herein authorized, and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, and the renewals of said bond anticipation notes, and as to the execution of agreements for credit enhancements, are hereby delegated to the Village Treasurer, the chief fiscal officer of the Village.

Section 6. The validity of the bonds authorized by this resolution, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, may be contested only if:

- (a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the Village is not authorized to expend money, or
- (b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of such resolution, or a summary thereof, are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

(c) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Section 7. This bond resolution shall take effect immediately, and the Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish the foregoing resolution, in summary, together with a Notice attached in substantially the form prescribed by Section 81.00 of the Law in the official newspaper of the Village.

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The adoption of the foregoing resolution was seconded by Deputy Mayor Kaplan and duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

The resolution was declared adopted.

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

BE IT RESOLVED,

The Village of Lake Success approves the 2025 Annual Service Contract with Efficient Mechanical to service the Village Offices for \$6,068.35

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

The Village of Lake Success approves the 2025 Annual Service Contract with Efficient Mechanical to service the Golf Pro Shop for \$1,909.62

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

The Village of Lake Success approves the 2025 Annual Service Contract with Efficient Mechanical to service the Village Police Station for \$7,972.66

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 voting aye and Trustee Gal voting aye.

Trustee Gal, seconded by Trustee Farkas, moved to approve the following **RESOLUTION**:

BE IT RESOLVED,

The Village of Lake Success approves the contract of \$1,092.50 for Movies in the Moonlight on Friday, June 20, 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 voting aye and Trustee Gal voting aye.

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

BE IT RESOLVED,

The Village of Lake Success approves the final payment of \$835.00 to Dash of Class DJ for Valentine's Day Dinner.

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 voting aye and Trustee Gal voting aye.

On behalf of the Golf Commission, Deputy Mayor Kaplan reported that the work on the golf course is spotty due to the weather conditions. If February is a rough month, he will work through March.

On behalf of the Environmental Commission, Trustee Marian Lee reported that a combination E-Waste/Shed the Meds Day will take place on April 5, 2025 pending approval from the DEA.

Motion made by Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kaplan the Board went into Executive Session at 9:10 PM

Motion made by Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Deputy Maor Kaplan the Board came out of Executive Session at 9:20 PM

RESOLUTION made by Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Trustee Farkas to approve updated building fees.

RESOLUTION made by Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Trustee Farkas to approve the PBA contract.

Motion made by Mayor Hoffman, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kaplan, the meeting was closed at 9:25 PM

Respectfully submitted
Patricia Santomauro
Deputy Village Clerk