

A TOWN BOARD MEETING was held over Zoom on **October 13, 2020** at 7:00 p.m.
Zoom User Id # 844 - 4721-2697, Password # 201761 Town of Indian Lake, State of New York, County of Hamilton. The location was from the comfort of everyone's home.

Supervisor Wells brought the meeting to order. All said the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Wells called for the Roll with the following Board Members answering:

Roll Call: Councilman Mahoney	Here
Councilwoman Stanton	Here
Councilman Rathbun	Here
Supervisor Wells	Here

Councilwoman Stanton made a motion to approve the minutes of 9/14/20 as well as the Emergency meeting held on 9/18/2020 as presented. Seconded by, Councilman Rathbun.

Roll Call: Councilman Mahoney	Aye
Councilwoman Stanton	Aye
Councilman Rathbun	Aye
Supervisor Wells	Aye

Department Head Reports

Jamie Roblee, Highway Superintendent, questioned if the Board had a procedure in place for Covid-19 and how the Town would be handling possible cases if an Employee has been exposed. Supervisor Wells stated that he had given the Board a copy of a possible procedure that they are looking over. He stated that Budget meetings are as well "Town Board Meetings" so he is hoping to approve it on Thursday October 15th at the next Budget meeting.

Public Comments and Concerns

Brenda Valentine, President of the Community Development Committee, reported on the work the Committee has participated in during the Covid crises. She stated they have been very busy trying to get the word out to the public on the importance of filling out their Census report. She reported that they had also in conjunction with the North Country Crafters, been instrumental in giving out free face masks. She stated they were given a donation of \$600.00 which they in turn gave to Community Action to help with their programs. Supervisor Wells thanked the CDC for their tremendous efforts to get people to fill out the Census forms. He stated that there was much confusion concerning second homeowners as they were to fill out one at their primary residence as well as their second home. He feels this could be one reason why our numbers are so low. Supervisor Wells also thanked Brenda and Lela Lewis and all who contributed to the mask program.

Reappointment – Guyowen Howard – Zoning Board

Supervisor Wells made a motion to re-appoint Guyowen Howard to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Seconded by, Councilman Rathbun. Supervisor Wells thanked Guy and stated that the Board is much appreciative of his willingness to stay on the Board. Guys term will run from 10/13/2020 – 09/30/2025.

Open Garage/Recyclable Bids – One Received

One bid was received from Moore Construction. Supervisor Wells made a motion to accept the bid from Moore Construction for review. Seconded by, Councilwoman Stanton.

Roll Call: Councilman Mahoney	Aye
Councilwoman Stanton	Aye
Councilman Rathbun	Aye
Supervisor Wells	Aye

After review with Building and Grounds, Supervisor Wells will make a recommendation and move forward for approval.

Cleaner Bid Rescinded – Back out to bid. Bids due October 16th. Will open on October 22nd

Supervisor Wells explained to all that the contract had some changes in it, therefore we had to put back out to bid. Bids are due by October 16th and will be opened on October 22nd.

Building Maintenance and Operations monthly report September 2020

During the month of September we did our weekly garbage runs to Blue Mountain Lake and monitoring of the dam. The large hole has been repaired below the gate, we formed up and poured a repair patch. The crosswalk signs and tennis nets were taken and put in storage, we removed the Blue Mountain speed limit signs for the winter and brought them back to Indian Lake for storage. A replacement solar panel will be needed for one of the lights that was damaged when a tree branch fell through it. Benches, picnic tables, and flower barrels were also picked up in Blue. The chain Lakes beach was removed the first week in September.

At the ski hut we removed the old septic tank that has been giving us problems for years, we had Hometown sewer pump the tank and replaced it with a new tank and put it 3 feet deeper in the ground, we had to create a road around the rear of the building to get a truck in to set the tank and hauled in a bunch of material to complete the final grade and for cleanup.

We have been working on the skating rink replacing the dasher boards and putting up new light posts on the side toward the slope, we have also ditched around the entire rink for drainage.

Work at the library is still going on, we are starting to move to the inside phase of sheet rock and trim.

We have had many delays waiting on the doors, siding, Windows, and getting some material has been hard. We have made trips to Lowe's Home Depot and Curtis just get some of the lumber we need.

We have mowed all Town properties for the last time this season, we have made repairs to the 318 tractor installing a spare motor, worked on the carburetor of the Ferris, rebuilt two of the 325 trimmers, serviced all tractors and equipment and put away until next season.

The cement mixer we used to pour our sidewalks at the library is in need of a new motor, we borrowed one from Tim Clawson to finish our sidewalk project and have a new motor on order.

We had our yearly fire inspections and alarm test By New York fire in signal, and all out of date extinguishers have been replaced.

We have poured three bases for stones at the Benton cemetery this month.

We have started checking some of our trails and our bridges, preparing for the winter snowmobiling season ahead. Equipment will be going into Deer Valley to start repair work on some culverts the second week in October.

Thank you
Bill LaPrairie
Building Maintenance and Operations



Monthly Mechanic Report

Sept 2020

Bill Wells

- ① Adjusted brakes + fixed air leak on #182 trailer
- ② Installed new ham on #193 loader
- ③ Put new bearing + seals in front end for tractor 3320
- ④ Charged Batterys in Old 182 to get running for auction
- ⑤ Took care of rakes + brooms for season
- ⑥ Fixed Battery for 3320 tractor
- ⑦ Put new air valve on trailer
- ⑧ Changed 4 tires and brakes on #181 dump
- ⑨ reset ck engine light on white jeep
- ⑩ Serviced Small leaf blower
- ⑪ Put new fuel filters and housing on Water Dept Backhoe
- ⑫ Welded lifting eyes on Schalls tractor bucket
- ⑬ Serviced Big leaf blower
- ⑭ Installing new engine in roller

Highway Report
October 2020

Dry conditions continued through September which made dirt roads get rough due to lack of compaction of surface materials. Some roads were graded when wet conditions allowed.

Item # 4 was spread on Indian Lake Dam Road, Jerry Savine Rd, Lower Conscadder Road. This was done to stop muddy areas in the Spring and cover rocky areas that are rough.

Our Winter Sand was hauled, screened and added to our stockpile.

As the leaves come down we are starting to blow them off on the roads with heavy foliage. This keeps ditches clean for snow later in the fall and helps the roads dry out faster in the spring. Some ditching has been done on Route 280 to help that road dry out in the spring.

Jennie Roblee
Highway Supt.



TOWN OF INDIAN LAKE
P.O. Box 730 Pelon Road
Indian Lake, Hamilton County
New York 12842

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Town of Indian Lake Building Permit Report
September 2020

	<u>Residential</u>	<u>Commercial</u>
1. Total # of Permits Issued:	16	1
2. Total dollar amount of projects in #1:	\$202,450	\$37,400
3. Number of Permits in #1 which are Hunting Camps:	0	
4. Total dollar amounts of projects in #3:	\$0	
5. Number of single-family permits issued (Camps N/A):	0	
6. Total dollar amount of projects in #5:	\$0	
7. Number of Trailers/Double Wide/Modular Homes:	0	
8. Number of Permit renewals:	0	
9. Number of Firework Permits issued:	0	
10. Total dollar amount of permits in #9:	\$0	
11. Fire inspections (Annual) to date	28	

Respectfully Submitted by:

Tyler Monthony

Town of Indian Lake Water and Wastewater

Report for September 2020

Testing was completed at all plants daily.

Samples required by DEC and DOH were submitted to the lab.

The U.V. Lights at the sewer plant have been cleaned weekly or more as needed to keep the intensity of the light above the required amount.

There was a leak in the service line to where Pete Hutchins building was. We dug up the line and found a section of old galvanized between the water main and the curb stop. We dug back to the main and shut off the service line at the corporation (the shut off valve coming out of the water main) essentially eliminating that service line.

There was a leak in the service line to Connor Burgess's residence that we had to dig up and fix.

There was a leak on Adirondack Lake Rd down towards the end of the road. The leak was on the homeowner's side of the curb stop, but the shut off was broken. We dug up and replaced the shut off and because there were two other shut offs right there for neighboring lots, we put a new box and rod on all three.

It was time for the 500- hour service on our backhoe. With the help of the highway department we changed the oil, oil filter, and two fuel filters. We ran into significant difficulty getting the old filters off. We ended up having to remove the housing of each filter and still could not get the filters off of the housing. Two of the three housings were broken removing the old filters. We ordered new housings from John Deer and were told that other people were having similar issues. We greased the new filters to help prevent future problems removing them. Thank you to the highway for their help.

At the Indian Lake Water Plant, we have been having some issues with the decant pump constantly losing its prime. We had sludge hauled away and cleaned the tank, so we were able to get down in the tank and discovered a broken end on the hose. We replaced both ends of the hose and cleaned the check valve.

Thank-You



Kevin L King

Kevin King/Water and Sewer superintendent

September 2020 Town of Indian Lake Reports

Indian Lake Chamber of Commerce <indianlakechamber@frontiernet.net>

Thu 10/8/2020 10:16 AM

To: 'Julie Clawson' <iltclerk@hotmail.com>

3 attachments (384 KB)

2020 REPORT TO TOWN.pdf; Director Report September 2020.pdf; 093020 ILCOC Financials.pdf;

Hi Julie,

Please find the following Chamber reports for September 2020:

- 2020 REPORT TO TOWN
- 093020 ILCOC Financials
- Director Report September 2020

In lieu of sending monthly minutes, the Chamber Board has asked me to send the 2020 Report to Town which summarizes Chamber activity for the past 3 quarters and shows anticipated 4th quarter activity.

Going forward, the Chamber Board wishes to provide such a report at the end of each quarter (in lieu of the monthly minutes), which would fulfil the Chamber's obligation to report to the Town Board quarterly as stated on our agreement.

Thank you,

Darrin Harr
Town of Indian Lake Chamber of Commerce – Director
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indianlakechamber@frontiernet.net
www.indian-lake.com

Follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/IndianLake.NY.Chamber>
<https://www.facebook.com/Great.Adirondack.Moose.Festival>



Town of Indian Lake Chamber of Commerce

Representing Blue Mountain Lake, Indian Lake and Sabael

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Email indianlakechamber@frontiernet.net

Services provided January 1 through September 30, 2020:

Visitor Information Center:

- 5 days/week from January 1st through March 16th
- 7 days/week from June 24th through September 28th
- 5 days/week from September 29th

The Chamber anticipates keeping the Visitor Information Center open during the fourth quarter on the 5 days/week schedule.

The Chamber continues to sell DEC hunting/fishing licenses at the Visitor Information Center.

We have answered 268 emails and 645 phone calls from people seeking information. The Visitor Information Center has assisted 1624 walk-in visitors.

Due to the Governor's Executive Order requiring that non-essential businesses close due to COVID-19, the Visitor Information Center was closed to the public from March 17 through June 23. During that time, staff of the Chamber worked remotely to provide information and assistance to those contacting the Chamber for information. Social media and website updates continued during this period. Chamber staff also shared information about COVID-related trainings, funding opportunities and reopening information with the community through its website and email distribution.

The Chamber launched a welcome bag program with donations from its members. 100 welcome bags were distributed to visitors at the Visitor Information Center as well as through member businesses. Donations from Chamber members also allowed us to award a scholarship of \$500 to a graduating senior at Indian Lake Central School.

Events:

Several public events that were scheduled for 2020 were cancelled due to COVID-19. These included: The Black Fly Challenge, The Chamber Golf Tournament and Fundraiser, Indian Lake Poker Paddle, Great Adirondack Moose Festival, Adirondack Mountains Antique Show and Fall Cruise on WW Durant. The Legislative Breakfast was transitioned from an onsite breakfast at Prospect Point Cottages to a free online event.


The Chamber usually participates in the regional Summer Sports Expo in Saratoga Springs to promote Indian Lake and the events here. This too was cancelled due to the pandemic. The COVID-19 pandemic also forced the Chamber to cancel its entire 2020 print advertising campaign.

October 2, 2020

Town Clerk
Town of Indian Lake
P.O. Box 730
Indian Lake
N.Y. 12842

I John C. Hall Rescind My Bid Dated
September 11, 2020 For the Three year Janitorial
Contract beginning January 1, 2021 and Ending
December 31, 2023.

As the Specifications Did Not include
The New Visitors Center.


John C. Hall

John C. Hall
P.O. Box 145
Indian Lake
N.Y. 12842



Department of
Transportation

ANDREW M. CUOMO
Governor

MARIE THERESE DOMINGUEZ
Commissioner

LINDA A. LUBEY, P.E.
Regional Director

September 8, 2020

Tracy J. Eldridge – Superintendent
Hamilton County DPW
2558 Route 8
P.O. Box 56
Lake Pleasant, NY 12108

Re: Speed Limit Study No. 022000008 – Crow Hill Rd., Town of Indian Lake

Superintendent Eldridge:

We have completed our study to lower the speed limit on Crow Hill Rd. between Route 28 and the dead end on Crow Hill Rd., in the Town of Indian Lake. Based on existing roadside conditions, field test drives, and crash history, we are approving this request to lower the speed limit from 55 MPH to 35 MPH. Additionally, we are approving a reduction for a school zone speed limit, for 25 MPH.

The Notice of Orders to establish these linear speed limits on the above-mentioned road is enclosed with this letter. The orders will be effective when the required signs are in place.

Your interest in this matter is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact myself or Jacob Olds, of my staff, by phone (315) 235-0347; or by email Jacob.Olds@dot.ny.gov.

Sincerely,



Michael A. Gallerani, P.E.
Regional Traffic Engineer

cc: Karl G. Abrams, Sheriff, Hamilton County
NYS Police Traffic Sgt., Troop B Headquarters
Julie A. Clawson, Clerk, Town of Indian Lake
Dean Carnevale, Resident Engineer, NYSDOT, Hamilton Residency
File No. 20.05 – local / Study No. 02200008

Resolution # 20 In The Year of 2020

Resolution Honoring Barry J. Hutchins

Offered by: Supervisor Brian E. Wells

**Seconded by: Councilman Jake Mahoney, Councilwoman Sally Stanton
and Councilman John Rathbun**

The Town Board of the Town of Indian Lake wishes to honor Barry J. Hutchins.

Whereas Barry J. Hutchins served the Town of Indian Lake as the Town Supervisor from 1998 to 2011 and as the Town Justice from 1993 through 1997.

Whereas Barry's service and dedication to the people of Indian Lake is exemplified by the many infrastructure projects he over saw during his tenure; from water projects and cell towers to recreational activities his priority was to always improve the way of life for his constituents.

Now Therefore be it Resolved; the Town Board of the Town of Indian Lake wishes to forever memorialize Barry J. Hutchins as a "Native son of Indian Lake" and to be recorded in perpetuity in the records of the Town of Indian Lake.

State of New York
County of Hamilton
Town of Indian Lake

I, **Julie A. Clawson**, Town Clerk of the Town of Indian Lake do hereby certify that **Resolution # 20 in the year 2020**, was duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Indian Lake, Hamilton County, New York State at the Town Board meeting held in Indian Lake on **October 13, 2020**.

Resolution # 20 will be on file in the Resolution Book as well as the Official Minutes in the Town Clerks office at the Town Hall, located on Pelon Road, Town of Indian Lake, County of Hamilton, and State of New York.

The following Board Members of the Indian Lake Town Board had due notice of the meeting and was present at said meeting: **Supervisor Brian Wells, Councilman Jake Mahoney, Councilwoman Sally Stanton, and Councilman John Rathbun.**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the Town of Indian Lake on this 14th day of October, 2020.

Seal


Julie A. Clawson - Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING ATTENDANCE:

DATE OF MEETING: October 13, 2020

NAME:

TITLE:

ADDRESS:

1. Bill Lapranni
2. Brenda Valentine
3. Moade Hutchins
4. Jamie Roblee
5. Kevin Kerig
6. Pam Howard
7. Susan Rowlings
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Crow Hill Speed Limit

Supervisor Wells reported to all that the speed limit signs have been ordered and will be put up as soon as they are received. The new speed limit on Crow Hill Road will be 25 mph in the school zone and then 35 mph for the rest of the road.

Supervisor Comments

Supervisor Wells stated that Barry Hutchins had passed away. He stated that he had worked with Barry for 12 years on the Board, 2 years as Deputy Supervisor and then took his place as Supervisor. With a heavy heart he began reading Resolution # 20. Resolution attached herein. This Resolution was unanimously seconded by all.

Supervisor Wells reported that the opening ceremony for Stewarts was well attended. He thanked the Chamber, Nancy Hutchins, Colleen Delcore, the Town Attorney, and Meade Hutchins for all their work moving this forward. He told all it was much appreciated. He also reported that Mr. Dake, owner of Stewarts, stated that Stewarts does not invest in a dying Community so we should all feel immensely proud. He also thanked Senator Tedisco and Assemblyman Smullen for attending the ceremony. Supervisor Wells also reported to the Board that all Town Employees must fill out their time off request and bring it in to the Town Hall prior to taking time off. He stated this was for contact tracing and told all that it is surging again, and we cannot be complacent about it.

Supervisor Wells also reported to the Board that he had given them a procedure for quarantining. He asked them to look it over to see if they would like anything added to it. He would like to discuss this and vote on it on Thursday October 15th to give the Department Heads guidance on how to handle this. Supervisor Wells reported to the Board that he had held a meeting with the Weed District. He stated they are replacing two (2) Board Members. He told them to self nominate then bring to the Board for approval. This will not change until January. He also stated that he and Bill Laprairie, Department Head of Buildings and Grounds, will be going to check on the bogs, he told all that Ernie Pollman was going to meet them and they would begin making a plan.

Supervisor Wells stated he would be meeting with the Chamber soon to do a walk through and to get any suggestions they may have.

Supervisor Wells also reported to the Board that he had received a request to put the "Little Walmart" back in. He stated the letter said is was a great necessity for some and they were sorry that some ruined it for others. Supervisor Wells stated when things get back to normal the Board could look it over again to see about putting it back in. He did reiterate that this would need to be done with the cooperation of the County.

Public Comments/continued

Brenda Valentine reported to the Board that due to the Justice Equality Resolution the Board had passed, a Committee has been formed. She stated they have held a meeting already and will be holding another one soon. She told all that the meeting was well attended and there were many suggestions and research being done. Supervisor Wells thanked Brenda for her work on this.

BILLS AND ABSTRACTS

Supervisor Wells made a motion to pay the Bills and Abstracts as presented. Seconded by, Councilwoman Stanton.

Roll Call: Councilman Mahoney	Aye	Councilwoman Stanton	Aye
Councilman Rathbun	Aye	Supervisor Wells	Aye

General:

27793 - 27811	\$2,614.72
27817 -27832	\$8,283.28
27843 - 27888	\$50,251.62
27889 - 28011	\$257,966.21
28012 - 28020	\$10,231.08

Executive Session

Supervisor Wells called for an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Litigation at 7:24 p.m. Seconded by, Councilman Rathbun. All in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor Wells made a motion to exit Executive Session at 8:56 p.m. Seconded by, Councilwoman Stanton. All in favor. Motion carried.

No action taken during Executive Session

Councilman Rathbun made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 p.m. Seconded by, Councilman Mahoney. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by: *Julie A Clausen*
Drew Cook