

## Building maintenance and operations monthly report December 2022

December started out on a good note with a very good amount of snow and the potential for an early start to our grooming season, at one point we had close to 20 inches of snow, and we had moved our groomers up to Moose River Plains, we made three groomed passes in and out of Moose River before the weather changed and became rain and warm temperatures. On the woods trails we found many mud holes open and we're unable to get any equipment on either trails to Blue Mountain or trail to moose river, after we spent a few weeks of cleaning up mud holes, we had some high winds that had us back out on the trails cutting trees for most of the month until the big thaw hit Christmas week. All of our equipment sits up at headquarters ready to go, now it's just a waiting game on the weather.

While we had the colder temperatures we were able to get the rink in shape and we were open through Thursday of winter vacation before we lost everything, including the sliding on the second slope. Turn out at the skating rink was actually very good during the Christmas break, we had between 75 and 80 skaters here and numerous sliders while we were open. There were a lot of new faces and first time skaters, and everyone was very understanding when we told them about the weather, and what happens to the rink.

During our downtime, we were able to do maintenance on our vehicles, oil changes, and repairs that needed to be done. We cleaned the shop after many projects and made numerous dump runs.

The pellet boiler is once again on my list, we were notified by Vincent, that they will no longer be providing us with pellets as they sold their truck. We decided to see just how long a pallet full of pellets would last us, and the answer was not very good, five days and a ton of pellets at 25°. We have turned off the pellet boiler and are now going strictly with fuel.

We have put in two charging ports at our garage for the electric car so that it can be fast charged, we were unable to put one at the welcome center due to the fact it is three phase power and the car recognizes that it's not correct and will not charge, it will still slow charge off a standard outlet but the charge time from empty to full is almost 24 hours. Christine knows the situation and she knows she can get power up here whenever she needs it.

Thank you

Bill LaPrairie

Department, head building, maintenance and operations



# **Town of Indian Lake water and wastewater report for December 2022**

**Testing was completed at all plants daily.**

**Samples for DEC and DOH were submitted to the lab.**

**Hydrants in both districts were shoveled.**

**Yards at the plants were plowed and shoveled as needed.**

**I hope everyone had a merry Christmas and has a happy and healthy new year.**

**Thank you**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patrick Mahoney". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

**Patrick Mahoney**

Bill Wells  
Mechanics Monthly

Dec 2022

- ① Fixed Plow lights on 181
- ② Rebuilt Sander Spreader 188
- ③ Adjusted Clutch 183
- ④ Drain Hyd + trans filters + fluid on 5085 tractor
- ⑤ New covers 186 hubs
- ⑥ Put new antifreeze in fuel truck
- ⑦ New Cutting edges (center) on 180
- ⑧ Put new wipers on 181 pick up
- ⑨ Fixed broken wires on plow lights 181
- ⑩ Adjusted clutch on 185
- ⑪ Rebuilt sander screen + support for 188
- ⑫ Replaced front hydram on wing tower



# Highway Report

December was a month of changing weather conditions. Snow, Freezing Rain, and warm and cold temperatures.

Roads were maintained accordingly. Ice was peeled off the roads after the largest storm we had which was wet heavy snow. Sidewalks were cleared and salted.

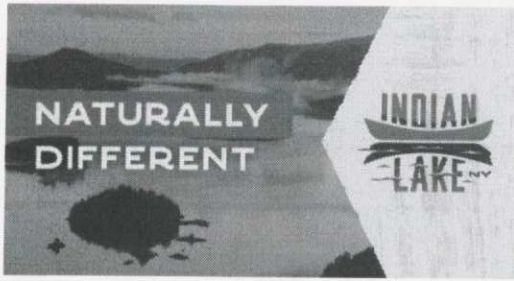
The next storm was snow/rain then a quick freeze. Roads were cleared, sanded and salted.

Maintenance work continues at the shop from breakdowns. Parts availability continues to be a real problem.

Our new truck that has been at the shop to get the plow equipment installed is still not done. They also are having problems getting some of the hydraulic components.

Another one of our plow trucks is in Glens Falls to get a steering problem repaired is also still not ready.

Janie Roblee



## January 9, 2023, Town of Indian Lake Board Meeting Economic Development, Marketing & Events Report

### Community/Economic Development

Main Street America (MSA) Committee – I completed and submitted the ILCDC final report for their Main Street Grant. The next meeting will be on January 25, 2023, via ZOOM to start formulating the four working groups and establishing a name for the project.

NYSERDA Clean Energy Update – We have completed three of the four High Impact Actions required and now have 700 points. The next one I'm trying to get completed is the national Grid LED Street Lamps in Indian Lake (BML is completed with 55 upgraded; at last check we needed 183 to be completed in Indian Lake). Once we complete one more project, we qualify for a \$5,000 grant award.

### Events – 2023

Lake Placid 2023 FSU World University Games will take place January 12-22 in the lake Placid area as well as in North Creek at Gore Mountain (11 events pertaining to snowboarding and skiing). I have distributed information specific to the events at Gore to our businesses to ensure they are aware of the activities and to alert them to a possible influx of traffic. We will be receiving two banners and have a photo opportunity cutout at the Welcome Center. A handout detailing event dates and times will be placed in board and staff mailboxes.

Snocade is currently being planned. 3,000 placemats will be ordered detailing event information and distributed to restaurants and bars by Martin Luther King Weekend. As events and activities are finalized, they'll be added to the events calendar on our website, as well as other regional community calendars.

### Marketing

There are continuous posts on all four of our social media sites. The e-newsletter is delivered to inboxes weekly.

Social Media: I continue to encourage all to follow the Town on social media sites.

<https://www.facebook.com/townofindianlake>

<https://twitter.com/TownofIndianLa1>

<https://www.instagram.com/townofindianlakenew/>

[www.facebook.com/Townsofindianandbluemountainlakeny](https://www.facebook.com/Townsofindianandbluemountainlakeny)

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[Nextdoor](#)

Community Calendars and our website are being updated to reflect 2023 events.



## Grants

- RESTORE NY: We received a notification that our application was **not** awarded. After reviewing the list of awarded projects, it seems likely our project was not chosen as we did not have a finalized action plan established supporting new housing and jobs opportunities as many of the other projects had.
- Our DOS LWRP CFA application for the Townsend Redevelopment was also **not** awarded. Only one project – the Village of Sackets Harbor – received an award in the North Country. I'll be working with LaBella to find out why we were not funded.
- The Charging Station Grant awards will be announced in the 1st quarter of 2023.
- Pending grant projects included the following:
  - ESD Market NY is being closed out. Funds anticipated by March 2023.
  - DEC Hamlets Gateway grant needs to have a timeline and budget modification processed by DEC.
  - DEC Cunningham Land Acquisition will be heading into the close-out process. Distribution of funds TBD.
  - We are still waiting for two DASNY Member Item grants to be processed. One for \$2.5M for Lake Adirondack Dam and the other for \$300,000 Townsend Garage purchase. DASNY is slow in providing any details re: when we can expect to receive these payments.
  - The grant for DEC Byron Park Improvements also needs modifications and is pending as it is tied directly to the Lake Adirondack Dam project.
- Grants we can apply for in 2023 included:
  - Adirondack Foundation – due 2/1/2023. Awards range from \$5K to \$7,500 with some awards at the \$10K level. Project areas Environment (trails and ski hut upgrades); Arts & Culture (mural on Welcome Center building); and Economic Vitality (generator for Welcome Center).
  - Adirondack Community Recreation Alliance — due 2/25/2023. Projects sought are to create and/or enhance local efforts to increase the community benefit of outdoor recreation. The maximum award is \$5,000. Project ideas (ski hut upgrades and trails).
  - DEC High Hazard Rehabilitation Grants – due 2/10/2023. Minimum award is \$25,000 and Maximum is \$100,000. (Proposed project is the Adirondack Lake Dam)

## Meetings

12/12 Zoom meeting for the Main Street project at 5:30PM

12/20 Deed restriction presentation via Zoom with ANCA and Living ADK

12/28 Road trip to Lake Placid

**Respectfully submitted by Christine Pouch, 1/4/2023**



# 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 December 2022

	<u>Residential</u>	<u>Commercial</u>
1. Total # of Permits Issued:	6	0
2. Total dollar amount of projects in #1:	<u>\$327,623</u>	<u>\$0</u>
3. Number of Permits in #1 which are Hunting Camps:	0	
4. Total dollar amounts of projects in #3:	<u>\$0</u>	
5. Number of single-family permits issued (Camps N/A):	<u>2</u>	
6. Total dollar amount of projects in #5:	<u>\$293,273</u>	
7. Number of Trailers/Double Wide/Modular Homes:	1	
8. Number of Permit renewals:	0	
9. Number of Firework Permits issued:	<u>0</u>	
10. Total dollar amount of permits in #9:	<u>\$0</u>	
11. Fire inspections (Annual) to date	36	

Respectfully Submitted by:

Tyler Monthony



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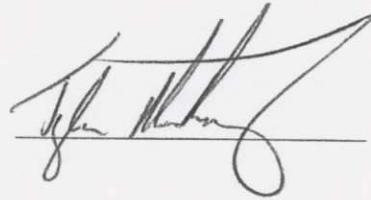
## TOWN OF INDIAN LAKE

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### Town of Indian Lake Building Permit Report 2022

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
1. Total # of Permits Issued:	<u>165</u>	<u>159</u>
2. Total dollar amount of projects in #1:	<u>\$5,460,579</u>	<u>\$13,317,092</u>
3. Total dollar amount in fees collected:	<u>\$10,330.75</u>	<u>\$14,534</u>

Respectfully Submitted by:





# NEW YORK STATE – ARE YOU CONNECTED?



Are you on the federal broadband map? We need every New Yorker to participate in the national broadband census to confirm the accuracy of their broadband service—millions of dollars in federal funding are at stake. New York needs to ensure YOU have the most affordable and accessible internet.

**It's easy!** All it takes is checking for your home or business address on the **Federal Communications Commission (FCC) national broadband map**.

Your location, and internet services offered at that location, will be displayed. If the information shown on the map is incorrect, we need to let the FCC know by submitting a challenge in order to update the map.

An accurate map will help New York State get its fair share of federal funding for broadband internet and it will mean better access to broadband for all New Yorkers.

**Thank you for helping to keep ALL New Yorkers connected!**

## HOW TO CHECK FOR YOUR ADDRESS ON THE FCC NATIONAL BROADBAND MAP:

- **DEADLINE:** January 13, 2023
- Visit [broadbandmap.fcc.gov](https://broadbandmap.fcc.gov) – from your home, phone, or local library
- Enter your address
- Need more help? Check out this step-by-step video: <https://youtu.be/fiFoxZKywv4>



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to contact us, visit [broadband.ny.gov](https://broadband.ny.gov)



# Resolution # 1

INDIAN LAKE TOWN BOARD - TOWN OF INDIAN LAKE, HAMILTON COUNTY, NEW YORK

Resolution of January 9, 2023

Authorizing Designation of Town Justice Stanley "Ed" Brown as Senior Town Justice

WHEREAS, under Town Law Section 27.1, in all towns the salaries of all town justices shall be equal except that the town board may determine by a majority vote to pay salaries in different amounts;

WHEREAS, after consideration of the matter for the past year the Town Board has concluded that Justice Brown has been undertaking the responsibility of being the primary administrator for the 2 justice Town of Indian Lake system for several years: and,

WHEREAS Justice Brown sets the hours for the court clerk and performs various other administrative duties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Indian Lake Town Board hereby establishes the designation of Senior Town Justice and appoints Justice Brown to that office for the remainder of his existing term of office ending on December 31, 2025\_: and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, that the additional stipend of five hundred dollars (\$ 500.00) shall be paid as salary in compensation for such office; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, this compensation shall commence effective for the year 2023 upon the acceptance of the designation in writing by Justice Brown.

MOTION by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt this Resolution

VOTING			
Supervisor	Aye	No	Absent
Councilman	Aye	No	Absent
Councilman	Aye	No	Absent
Councilman	Aye	No	Absent
Councilman	Aye	No	Absent
Adopted /Not Adopted			

Town Clerk Certification

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 # 1 in the year 2023**, 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 January 9, 2023.

**Resolution # 1** 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 Kristina Eldridge, Councilman John Rathbun, and Councilman D. Sean Curry** was absent.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the Town of Indian Lake on **this day of January 9, in the year 2023**.

Seal

**Julie A. Clawson - Town Clerk**





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## RESOLUTION NO. 3

# SUPPORT OF THE SNOWMOBILE TRAIL DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE FUND

**WHEREAS**, snowmobiling is a key contributor to Adirondack Towns and Counties winter tourism industry, bringing significant spending by snowmobiling supporting our restaurants and small businesses, and contributes up to \$868 million annually to the Upstate New York economy; and

**WHEREAS**, the maintenance of the snowmobile trails in Adirondack Towns and Counties is completed almost entirely by volunteers who are members of snowmobile clubs; and

**WHEREAS**, we must ensure that Adirondack Towns and Counties snowmobile trail infrastructure is in a condition to welcome snowmobilers and that the trails are as safe and well maintained as they can be; and

**WHEREAS**, since 1987, the New York State Snowmobile Trail Development and Maintenance Fund has been utilized by municipalities and their snowmobile club partners to properly groom and maintain their local snowmobile trails, including through the purchase of necessary equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Snowmobile Trail Development and Maintenance Fund is fully funded through the registration of snowmobilers participating in the sport, and has no general assessment on taxpayers; and

**WHEREAS**, the snowmobile community, including the New York State Snowmobile Association, have requested an increase in the snowmobile registration fees to support trail maintenance; and

**WHEREAS**, there has not been a registration fee increase for snowmobiles since 2005, while there have been registration fee increases in surrounding states; and

**WHEREAS**, there is significant inflation throughout the country, including on critical machinery needed to maintain the trails; and

**WHEREAS**, the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board supports the snowmobiling community and the economic impact that snowmobiling has on our businesses and people;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board respectfully requests that the Governor and Legislature support increases to snowmobile registration fees that will in turn create more financial support for the Snowmobile Trail Development and Maintenance Fund, the utilization of which supports critical winter tourism in Lewis County.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that**, copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senator Joseph Griffo, Senator Patricia Ritchie, Senator Dan Stec, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, Assemblyman Billy Jones, Assemblyman Robert Smullen, Assemblyman Matt Simpson, and Assemblyman Mark Walczyk





## New York State Snowmobile Association

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November 21, 2022

The Honorable Kathy Hochul  
Governor of New York State  
NYS State Capitol Building  
Albany, NY 12224

Dear Governor Hochul:

On behalf of the New York State Snowmobile Association (NYSSA) and its 220 snowmobile clubs, representing over 50,000 members and serving as the voice for over 120,000 snowmobilers who use New York's 10,000 miles of snowmobile trails, I respectfully ask you to consider raising all snowmobile fees in the FY 2023- 2024 Executive Budget proposal. Last session, the NYS Assembly expressed its support of NYSSA on this issue by overwhelmingly passing legislation that would increase snowmobile registration fees (A7747B – Magnarelli). We believe there will be the same level of support in the Senate in the upcoming Session.

We are requesting an increase to snowmobile registrations fees to support the Snowmobile Trail Development and Maintenance Fund, which is a dedicated source of funding that helps municipalities, and their snowmobile club partners to properly maintain and groom the state's snowmobile trails which is a critical component of helping to ensure driver safety on snowmobile trails. Nearly all the revenues for this fund are generated through a portion of snowmobile registration fees.

While we understand that proposing a fee increase can be challenging, this is a unique association member driven request, as almost all snowmobile trail funding is generated by the registered snowmobiles of those who participate in the sport. As the voice of the snowmobiling industry, we are requesting an increase of registration fees to improve the state's trail system in your FY 24 Executive Budget proposal. This increase will drive winter tourism in New York and help to keep the New York snowmobile trail system competitive with other states in the region.

The last time there was a registration fee increase was in 2004, two years prior to the Snowmobiler Rights and Responsibility Act took effect (Ch.609, L.2005). Snowmobile club members, whether from New York or another state, have been paying \$45 per



registration for 18 years. This is the longest-tenured registration fee schedule since the trail fund was first established in 1987; it has not been adjusted for cost-of-living expenses or inflation. In consideration of cost of living and inflation indicators, the club member fee of \$45 in 2005 would be worth a little under \$65 today (\$69), and the non-club member fee of \$100 would be worth \$153 today.

Eighteen years is a significant length of time for fee stagnation, especially when considering that almost all the items the clubs use have had significant price increases. Further, over the past several years, neighboring states New Hampshire and Vermont have raised their fees substantially, while Maine is also considering a fee increase. These states have recognized cost increases in the industry, such as with a large groomer (Class A) which cost \$160,000 in 2006, but now costs \$260,000 or more in 2021.

NYS Snowmobile Club members are trail maintenance entities, and therefore shoulder the burden of purchasing and operating the groomers that are required to properly maintain the State trail system. Comprised almost entirely of volunteers, these members of the state's association of 220 snowmobile clubs groom 10,000 miles or more of Interconnected Trail System. These club volunteers are dedicated to keeping the trail system well-maintained and well-marked to ensure the safety of snowmobilers. The clubs take on the responsibility and the financial obligation to maintain the trails throughout the year.

Clubs have been struggling to find additional funding resources to keep the trails in decent shape, and they just cannot maintain current levels of support to the trails with existing funding. This past year, clubs reported over \$7 million in expenses, of which they received about \$4.2 million from the Trail Fund. It is time to raise the snowmobile registrations and distribute that additional revenue to the clubs that need it the most to keep up with the traffic on their trails. The proposed increase could generate another \$2,000,000 for the Trail Development and Maintenance Fund.

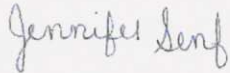
Snowmobiling is an important component of New York State tourism, creating much-needed jobs and generating vital revenue to many Upstate and Western New York businesses and communities. In fact, many out-of-state snowmobilers make it a priority to visit New York for its vast network of scenic snowmobile trails, generating much needed tourism dollars to the Upstate economy.

In January 2012, NYSSA undertook a survey performed by the Potsdam Institute for Applied Research to examine the economic impact of snowmobiling in the state during the 2010-2011 season. Analysis of the survey established that snowmobilers contributed \$868 million to the NY economy and that much of that was in Upstate NY. The proposed snowmobile registration fee increases are critical for the long-term fiscal capability of the snowmobile clubs that sustain the trail system that contributes to New York's economy.

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NYSSA and its members strongly believe that this fee increase if adopted as part of the Executive Budget will have a meaningful and positive impact on the quality of the snowmobiling experience in New York State and grow the sport that continues to make a substantial contribution to the economic health of snowmobiling communities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennifer Senf".

Jennifer Senf  
Executive Director

Cc: Robert Mujica, Director of the Budget  
Sandra Beattie, First Deputy Budget Director  
Erik Kulleseid, Commissioner, Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation  
John O'Leary, Secretary for Energy & Environment  
Ashley Dougherty, Assistant Secretary for the Environment  
Jessica Patel, Assistant Counsel to the Governor

**RESOLUTION 2 – 2023**

**Resolution Appointing Connor Burgess to the Hamilton County Advisory Board.**

**WHEREAS**, the Indian Lake Town Board does hereby appoint Connor Burgess as a member of the Hamilton County Advisory Board, **THERE FORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that this appointment will take effect immediately.

**Roll Call:** Councilman Mahoney  
Councilwoman Eldridge  
Councilman Rathbun  
Supervisor Wells

**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 # 2 in the year 2023**, 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 January 9, 2023.

**Resolution # 2** 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.

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**Julie A. Clawson - Town Clerk**