

**A TOWN BOARD MEETING** was held on November 12, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. The location was Indian Lake Town Hall, Indian Lake, County Hamilton State of New York.

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

**Roll Call:**

Councilperson Mahoney	Here
Councilperson Eldridge	Here
Deputy Supervisor Wells	Here
Councilperson Rathbun	Here
Councilperson Howard	Here

**Approval of Minutes:**

Deputy Supervisor Stanton asked for a motion to be called for approving the minutes from last month's board meetings. Councilperson Howard made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilperson Eldridge seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

**Department Head Reports:**

Gene Darling addressed the board with a quote to purchase a truck for \$50,000 he stated that with \$21,000 that they had received for a trade in and \$21,000 they have received from Auction International it would only cost the Town \$7,000 for the truck completed outfitted.

Water and Sewer Department head Patrick Mahoney addressed the board that he was able to purchase the truck that was approved at the last budget meeting. It would take six to nine weeks before it would be ready.

Councilperson Howard asked Gene Darling when they will receive the truck he is purchasing, he said around December 6<sup>th</sup>.

Councilperson Howard asked Mechanic Jacob Wells why in his report he stated that he fixed a Long Lake dump trailer. He stated that the dump trailer is currently on loan to us from Long Lake and had a part go bad on it that needed to be fixed because we were using it. Councilperson Howard praised Jacob Wells in his first department head report.

**Public Comments and Concerns:**

Mary Prusto addressed the board that she can never download the meeting packet to print she always has trouble accessing it and this morning the website was completely down. Christine Pouch stated that she would look further into it and see if she could find a problem.

Davana Marks addressed the board on behalf of the chamber of commerce stated that they held interviews for the chamber and that they are ready to hire two candidates to be open seven days a week. The hours would be Sunday through Tuesday from 9:30-1:30, Wednesday through Friday 1:30-5:00, Saturday 9:00-1:00.

Joanna Pine addressed the board on behalf of the Arts Center to share the exciting news that the Arts Center have purchased Potters Resort the closing was last week. This location will host the ALCA performance, provide housing for visiting creators, open new art exhibits and be able to hold art programs for youth and adults. This effort was made possible by generous support through many grants and supporters in the community. The goal soon is to get a 15-person passenger van to be able to transport kids back and forth from surrounding communities to grow the summer camp program for kids in the community.

Deputy Supervisor Stanton called for a motion to discuss the garbage contract. Councilperson Rathbun made the motion. Councilperson Howard seconded. Councilperson Rathbun discussed the possibility of changing the garbage pick up to two times a month instead of four. Councilperson Mahoney addressed

the public that this year's garbage bid has increased \$60,000 from the current year. Department head of Parks and Rec. Bill Laprairie asked the board if we should start looking into what it would cost the town to purchase a garbage truck of our own. Councilperson Howard stated that we have some current problems with the service we have right now but feels the contractor should be present at the next budget meeting. Councilperson Howard asked the board to table it to run the numbers and get in touch with the contractor to come to the next budget meeting. Bill Laprairie asked the board to reach out to Lake Pleasant to see what the pros and cons are in the town being responsible for garbage pickup. Councilperson Howard asked the public their thoughts and concern regarding the garbage. Helen Glass stated that she herself doesn't use the service, and she feels the community doesn't receive enough services for what they pay in taxes. She also stated that right now the town isn't having to deal with the problems and headaches associated with having to do it ourselves. Bill Laprairie stated that the transfer station gets over runed with people bringing their garbage down when they are already paying for the garbage service in their taxes, makes for extra man hours for the transfer station. Mary Frasier stated that with bigger families and the bear problem we have currently been dealing with that she feels limiting the garbage pick up to every two weeks isn't ideal. Councilperson Howard asked the board to table it until they can have the contractor come and sit with the board and discuss some of the concerns the board and public have. Councilperson Rathbun seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Resolution #7 of 2024 concerning the impacts of efforts to electrify highway department vehicles by adoption of the advanced clean truck rule was read aloud by Deputy Sally Stanton. Deputy Supervisor Stanton called for a roll call of votes.

Councilperson Mahoney Aye  
Councilperson Eldridge Aye  
Councilperson Rathbun Aye  
Councilperson Howard Aye

Councilperson Rathbun made a motion to keep Jim Holler on the Weed District Board. His term is up, and he would like to continue. Councilperson Eldridge seconded the motion. All were in favor.

#### Bills and Abstracts

40478 to 40600- \$93,469.22

#### General, Highway, Water1 & 2, Sewer, Library and Landfill

Deputy Supervisor Staton asked for a motion to be called to pay the bills. Councilperson Mahoney made the motion to pay the bills. Councilperson Rathbun seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Councilperson Mahoney called for an executive session at 7:40 p.m. for the discussion of contractual and asked Bill Laprairie to join. Seconded by Councilperson Rathbun.

Councilperson Rathbun made a motion to exit executive session at 8:09 p.m. Seconded by Councilperson Mahoney. Motion was approved. No action was taken.

Councilperson Mahoney made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 p.m. Seconded by Councilperson Rathbun. Motion was approved.

TOWN BOARD MEETING ATTENDANCE:

DATE OF MEETING: 11/12/2024

<u>NAME:</u>	<u>TITLE:</u>	<u>ADDRESS:</u>
1. Pat Mahoney	w/s	IL
2. Doll Levine	PHR	IL
3. Kimberly Condon		IL
4. Judy Curran		BML
5. [Signature]		
6. Dorena Marks		IL
7. Andy Carey		Blue
8. Joanna Pro		Indian Lake
9. Mary Frasier		Indian Lake
10. ABRAHAM GARDNER		IL
11. MARY PAUSKO		IL
12. HELEN GLASS		IL
13. Michael Memphis		Ray Lake
14. ALFRED WEINHOFEN		
15. Jacob Wells		IL
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## Report for October 2024

Testing was completed daily at all plants.

DEC and DOH samples were sent to the lab.

We tapped the main for a new water service in Blue Mt.

We had some electrical issues with the plant in Blue.

We cleaned the plant and the garage in blue. We also cleaned up the yard at the old garage on Durrant Rd. while there we stockpiled a few loads of gravel ( with help from the highway dept)

Two box and rods were replaced in Blue.

We had to dig up a blockage in our 8 inch effluent line at the wastewater plant.

Ours along with other seasonal water services have been shut off for the winter.

Thank you

  
Patrick Mahoney

We started off the month of October by finishing up at Hoffman's, doing the sidewalks and finishing the apron and median. Clean up from the project has been completed and all equipment has been moved to the woods to start trail work.

Spend a lot of time this month going back-and-forth with DANC working on specs for the new media center at the welcome center. We have been looking for certain parts and pieces that would be compatible for their media cable to enter our building, and utilizing some of their resources to purchase some of the larger items.

This month we took the skating rink apart and shrunk it down to a third of its size, we resealed the boards around the bottom of the rink and applied a foam water seal, instead of fastening the rink boards to the concrete. We built kickers and placed large rocks on them so the rink would not move. We put down 60 gallons of white paint sealer on the rink this season and expect to do the same next year if everything goes well this year.

Everybody had a chance to work at the transfer station this month, Donald started using some of his time and everyone from my department filled in a day here and-a day there.

Lots of trips were made to TC MURPHY this month and Glens Falls for parts and pieces.

There were two burials this month at the Cedar River cemetery, and we poured one base in the Benton cemetery for a new stone.

Blue Mountain Lake garbage runs have been made every Tuesday and Friday, we have cleaned the restrooms, checked the Utowana dam, and cleaned off the top of the dam where a beaver has been causing problems.

All equipment will be coming into the garage for its service and preparation for Snowmobile season.

We cleaned out and cleaned up Townsend's building for more storage space until we find other places to stash some of our seasonal equipment.

Removed some of the cabinets, opened up a wall and framed in another section of our small garage to possibly accommodate Museum files.

Thank you

Bill LaPrairie

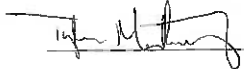
Department head building maintenance and operations



**Town of Indian Lake Building Permit Report**  
**October 2024**

	<u>Residential</u>	<u>Commercial</u>
1. Total # of Permits Issued:	14	1
2. Total dollar amount of projects in #1:	\$270,650	\$6,500
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):	2	
6. Total dollar amount of projects in #5:	\$170,000	
7. Number of Trailers/Double Wide/Modular Homes:	0	
8. Number of Permit renewals:	4	
9. Number of Firework Permits issued:	0	
10. Total dollar amount of permits in #9:	\$0	
11. Fire inspections (Annual) to date	21	

Respectfully Submitted by:



Tyler Monthony



## Community/Economic Development

ILCDC's SIB (Sabael, Indian Lake, Blue Mountain Lake Re-Vibe) Committee – No updates currently.

Monarch & Milkweed Challenge – Hamilton County Soil and Waer District approved my request for \$1,672 for reimbursement of funds related to this project which supported conservation issues. We are still waiting for reimbursement.

The Welcome Center Generator has been installed. Work continues in the backroom for the DANC project.

The Townsend Property has been surveyed.

### Events

Halloween Trick or Treat at the Welcome Center was on Thursday, October 31. This year Pam Howard organized a Halloween parade for the youth which was very successful. It sure looked like the kids had a great time.

The Country Christmas Tour planning is in full swing. The Welcome Center will be open both Friday and Saturday, November 29-30 from 10am to 3pm offering snow globe DIY workshops, which were a huge success last year, along with our 4th annual Gingerbread House Contest, and Tree Lighting Ceremony on Friday at 4pm. This year we will be getting our tree from Cabins at Chimney Mountain's property.

### Marketing

All calendars of events continue to be updated on a regular basis as needed. We are a member of the IABA in Inlet so they also post and share our events.

Flyers, maps, and town event rack cards are refilled throughout the community on a weekly basis and as needed.

Social Media: I continue to encourage all to FOLLOW and LIKE the Town on social media sites.

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

<https://twitter.com/TownofIndianLa1>

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

Nextdoor

Our new Instagram account is [townof.indianlakeny](https://www.instagram.com/townofindianlakeny). Please LIKE and FOLLOW our new link.

### Technology

DASNY/SAM Grants – We received a call from Senator Walczyk on 11/1/24 saying they are working on getting \$50,000 of the \$300,000 released early in 2025. We should be receiving paperwork to process after the new year.

DEC EV Charging Stations – Still waiting for the agencies to sign and deliver a fully executed contract.

Adirondack Park Upper Hudson Rec Grant – We will be submitting for the final installment once WPM cashed their last check.

DEC ZEV Rebate - We are still waiting for the rebate to arrive.

#### Meetings

10/16 – Zoom call with cedarwood Engineering and LaBella

11/23 – Jobs 2.0 seminar at Wild Center

11/25 – WQIP debrief

11/28 – Joint Chamber meeting with Jake and Pam

11/29 – Toured IL Museum with Johnsbury historians and ADKX staff

10/30 – Vector One computer set up

Respectfully submitted by Christine Pouch, 11/9/24.

- Kubota Mini 121  
Installed seal saver on dipper boom cylinder  
Greased and checked all fluids on machine
- John deere 3320  
Replaced Pto shaft pin for 3 point hitch mounted leaf blower
- #186 Western Star  
Brought in shop for prewinter service  
Freed up and adjusted all brakes and slack pins. Checked all fluids. Found leaking Engine oil pan gasket. Ordered necessary parts to fix from Tracey Road Equipment.  
Took Front float tires off and put winter tires on. Removed tailgate and installed sander. Removed the front bumper to install Plow head gear.
- #186 Sander  
Cleaned all hydraulic fittings and electrical connections. Plumbed sander into truck and ran sander. Lubed sander chain and measured sander chain tension within spec. Greased all roller bearings. Installed sander hold downs in front of sander and installed front and side debris flaps.
- Cleared trucks and equipment from shop for heater service company
- Town of Long Lake dump trailer  
Diagnosed faulty Air brake relay valve on rear axle of trailer. Ordered new from Napa Auto parts and installed. Trailer now operates as it should.
- #195 Chevy 6500  
Brought in for Prewinter service. Checked all fluids and greased truck. Installed head gear and head plow. Installed side wing and checked operation of both.  
Greased all service points Checked over sander unit for truck and ordered tail

Brought in shop due to complaint of sever vibration while applying the brakes. Removed front tires and inspected brake pads and rotors. Found severely worn brake pads and warped brake rotors. Ordered new pads and rotors. Installed new brake parts on front axle and removed rear tires to inspect rear rotors and pads. Found rear brakes also needing replacement. Ordered parts. Vehicle will also need new tires before winter time.

- Codes Enforcer Jeep Patriot  
Brought in shop for rear brake pad and rotor replacement. Replaced necessary parts. While the vehicle was here performed full service and checked over all fluids.
- Spent day with Rich from Vector one installing a new computer and setting up a town Email. [Mechanic@indianlakeadk.com](mailto:Mechanic@indianlakeadk.com)
- Cleaned and organized mechanics office and brought my personal tool box in.
- Took #188 to T and T body king to retrieve sander parts. Stopped at Tracy road Equipment to retrieve parts for #186. Stopped at Falls Farm and Garden and retrieved new snowblower that goes on the john deere 3320 tractor and 1 new hand leaf blower
- Cleaned carburetor on Highways Norton clipper demolition saw