

**VILLAGE OF SARANAC LAKE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA 5:30PM  
Monday January 22, 2018  
Roberts Rules of Order will be in Effect for this Meeting**

**A. CALL TO ORDER PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**B. ROLL CALL**

**C. SPECIAL GUESTS All American City Committee from 1998**

Bob & Pat Brown, Terry Martino, Debbie McDonnell, Sharon O'Brien, Aggie Pelletieri, Tom Catillaz, Jack DeMattos, Chuck Damp, Zack Yousey and Eric Freeburg

**D. AUDITING**

- a. Pay Vouchers
- b. Approve Minutes 1-8-18 and 1-16-18

**E. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

**F. CORRESPONDENCE** - Letter from Jeff Reilly and Memo from Patrick Murphy

**G. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION**

<b>BILL</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>River Walk Extension</b>
<b>BILL</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>PTAB Board Member Appointments</b>
<b>BILL</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>Travel and Training Treasurer</b>

**H. OLD BUSINESS**

**I. NEW BUSINESS**

**J. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

**K. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**RULES FOR PUBLIC HEARING COMMENTS AND  
PUBLIC COMMENT  
PERIOD OF MEETINGS**

- 1. Anyone may speak to the Village Board of Trustees during the public comment period of a public hearing or the public comment period of the meeting.**
- 2. As a courtesy we ask each speaker to give their name and address.**
- 3. Each speaker must be recognized by the chairperson before speaking.**
- 4. Individual public comment is limited to 5 minutes and may be shortened by the meeting chairperson.**
- 5. When a meeting is attended by a group of people who share the same or opposing views on a public comment topic, the chair may require that the group(s) designate not more than two spokespersons and limit the total time public comment to 5 minutes for each point of view or side of an issue.**
- 6. Individual time may not be assigned/given to another.**
- 7. A public hearing is meant to encourage resident comment and the expression of opinion, not a direct debate, nor should a commenter be intimidated by a village board rebuttal, therefore public hearings are limited to public comment and should a village response be asked by individuals the response shall be generally given after the public hearing during the village board regular meeting, or subsequently, by telephone or letter, unless factual in nature where the facts are fully known by staff, in which case a village official may respond.**
- 8. All remarks shall be addressed to the board as a body and not to any individual member thereof.**
- 9. Interested parties or their representatives may address the board at any time by written or electronic communications.**
- 10. Speakers shall observe the commonly accepted rules of courtesy, decorum, dignity and good taste.**

Please note- During the course of regular business, discussion and commentary is limited to board members and village staff only. We ask for this courtesy, for the board and staff to conduct their business and discussion without interruption. All village board members and staff are available after the conclusion of a meeting for one on one discussion.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
January 8, 2018

**ROLL CALL FOR REGULAR MEETING:** Present: Mayor Clyde Rabideau  
Trustees: Paul Van Cott, Thomas Catillaz , Richard Shapiro and Elias Pelletieri.  
Also present: Village Treasurer, Elizabeth Benson and Village Clerk, Kareen Tyler.

Everyone stood for the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Rabideau proclamations for Mary Keating and Louis Cantania, proclamations are attached and made part of these minutes.

**AUDITING:**

Chair Rabideau called for a motion to approve payment for the 2018 budget \$426,011.24 voucher number 11037755 to 11037947 complete detail of these vouchers is attached and made part of these minutes.

Motion: Van Cott Second: Catillaz

Roll Call: Catillaz: yes Pelletieri yes Shapiro yes Van Cott yes

Chair Mayor Rabideau called for a motion to approve minute of 12-11-2017

Motion: Pelletieri Second: Shapiro

Roll Call: Catillaz: yes Pelletieri yes Shapiro yes Van Cott yes

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** No one spoke

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Letter- Letters from NYS DOT and NYS DEC and Information from Core and Main  
Chair Rabideau called for motion to accept and place on file the above referenced correspondence.

Motion: Catillaz Second: Shapiro

Roll Call: Catillaz: yes Pelletieri yes Shapiro yes Van Cott yes

**ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION:**

**Bill 1-2018 Agreement with Mountain Medical for Drug Testing**

A copy of the bill is attached and made part of these minutes

Chair Mayor Rabideau called for a motion.

Motion: Van Cott Second: Catillaz

Roll Call: Catillaz: yes Pelletieri yes Shapiro yes Van Cott yes

**Bill 2-2018 Village Election Polling Place and Time**

A copy of the bill is attached and made part of these minutes

Chair Mayor Rabideau called for a motion.

Motion: Shapiro Second: Van Cott

Roll Call: Catillaz: yes Pelletieri yes Shapiro yes Van Cott yes

**Bill 3-2018 MOA with Franklin County Board of Election**

A copy of the bill is attached and made part of these minutes

Chair Mayor Rabideau called for a motion.

Motion: Pelletieri Second: Van Cott

Roll Call: Catillaz: yes Pelletieri yes Shapiro yes Van Cott yes

**Bill 4-2018 Website Consultant**

A copy of the bill is attached and made part of these minutes

Chair Mayor Rabideau called for a motion.

Motion: Van Cott Second: Pelletieri

Roll Call: Catillaz: yes Pelletieri yes Shapiro yes Van Cott yes

**Bill 5-2018 WWTP Boiler Purchases and Installation**

A copy of the bill is attached and made part of these minutes

Chair Mayor Rabideau called for a motion.

Motion: Catillaz Second: Shapiro

Roll Call: Catillaz: yes Pelletieri yes Shapiro yes Van Cott yes

**Bill 6-2018 Sewer Debt Reserve**

A copy of the bill is attached and made part of these minutes

Chair Mayor Rabideau called for a motion.

Motion: Van Cott Second: Pelletieri

Roll Call: Catillaz: yes Pelletieri yes Shapiro yes Van Cott yes

**Bill 7-2018 Establish of Main Street Reserve**

A copy of the bill is attached and made part of these minutes

Chair Mayor Rabideau called for a motion.

Motion: Pelletieri Second: Catillaz

Roll Call: Catillaz: yes Pelletieri yes Shapiro yes Van Cott yes

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Trustee Pelletier – asked about curling project and follow up with Core and Main the metering company

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Chair Mayor Rabideau called for a motion to adjourn

Motion: Catillaz Second: Shapiro

Roll Call: Catillaz: yes Pelletieri yes Shapiro yes Van Cott yes

Respectfully submitted,  
Kareen Tyler, Village Clerk

WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
January 16, 2018

**ROLL CALL FOR REGULAR MEETING:** Present: Mayor Clyde Rabideau  
Trustees: Paul Van Cott, Thomas Catillaz , Richard Shapiro and Elias Pelletieri.  
Also present: Village Treasurer, Elizabeth Benson, Village Manager. John Sweeney,  
Village Attorney Janelle LaVigne and Village Clerk, Kareen Tyler.

Everyone stood for the pledge of allegiance.

The board and LDC members discussed the Riverwalk extension alongside the former Dew Drop Inn building.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Chair Mayor Rabideau called for a motion to adjourn

Motion: Catillaz Second: Van Cott

Roll Call: Catillaz: yes Pelletieri yes Shapiro yes Van Cott yes

Respectfully submitted,  
Kareen Tyler, Village Clerk

January 15, 2018

**Topic for the next village board meeting**

Attached is a copy of the paper showing a picture of the Allen's basement on Kiwassa road. Also included is picture of the road in front of their house.

The village fire department did a great job helping out with the recent flooding. I know they were on site for several hours helping to sort it out.

Flooding on this 100yd section of road has become a regular occurrence and I know the village has been at the Allen's several times in recent years to see flooding in and around his property. One year he had ducks swimming in his back yard.

This section of road is adjacent to a rock ledge and has no drainage system. There used to be a drainage ditch running along the road that helped with the problem, but it was filled in when the new water lines were installed. The water now has nowhere go accept straight into the road and down Allen's driveway.

I hope the village can do something this year to help prevent further damage to this small section of road and our neighbor's home.

Thanks, Jeff Reilly 221 Kiwassa



**WEEKEND**  
**SATURDAY-**  
**SUNDAY**  
January 13-14, 2018  
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## Heavy rain, mild temperatures had emergency crews busy Friday

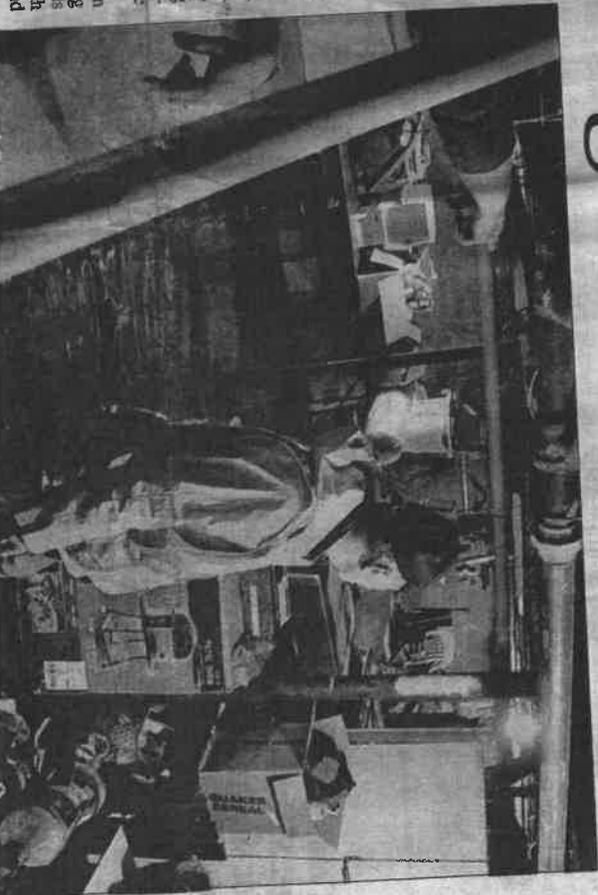
By GRIFFIN KELLY  
Staff Writer

A rain storm and rising waters across the North Country Friday transitioned into drastically colder temperatures Friday evening.

The Essex County Office of Emergency Services issued a winter storm warning until 4 p.m. Saturday with snow and sleet accumulating from 6 to 10 inches and below-freezing temperatures reaching the negative teens.

Much of Essex and Franklin counties suffered from melting snow and heavy rain, causing floods Friday in certain parts of the North Country such as Aviable Forks and

# Fighting the flooding



STATE TOWNS.  
The Jay and Upper Jay fire departments responded to the flooding in Ausable Forks with their

## Fighting flooding

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swift-water rescue crews. Ausable Forks Fire Volunteer Department personnel said they could not comment at that time because of the high volume of emergency calls coming in.

The Upper Jay fire department later confirmed that the flooding subsided and no evacuations were required in Ausable Forks.

Franklin County Emergency Services Director Ricky Froyost said he's expecting high water until midday Saturday.

The Essex County Office of Emergency Services alerted residents of road closures on its website Friday. State Route 9N was closed between Jean Fountain Road in Jay and Ausable Forks at 2:10 p.m. and the north end of River Road in Lake Placid was closed at 12:56 p.m.

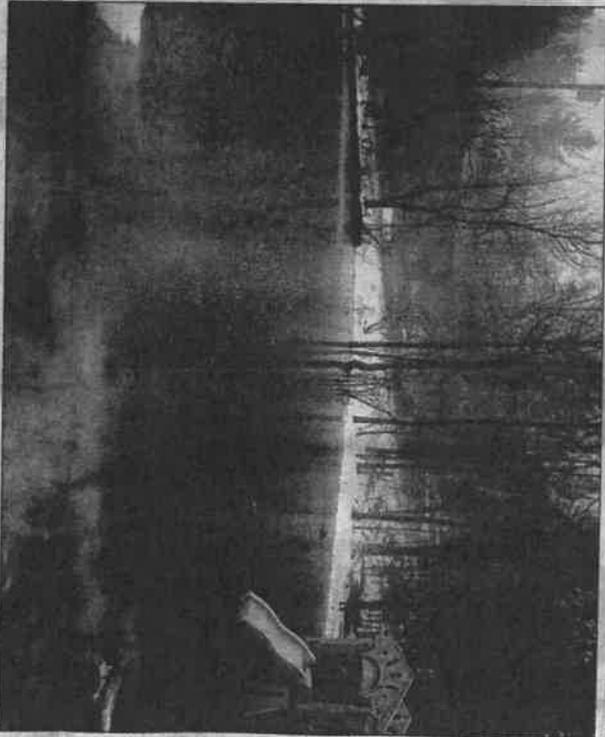
### Saranac Lake

The home of Rip and Shirley Allen on Kiwassa Road in Saranac Lake flooded. The backyard turned into a pond, and the basement had water up to a grown man's calves.

"We've been here 30 years," Shirley said, "but we've never seen it like this." Rip said the flooding must have started around midnight Friday.

"It wasn't bad at first," he said. "Maybe just that much." He held up his thumb and index fingers indicating only a

Upper left, Shirley Allen of Saranac Lake directs a member of the Saranac Lake Volunteer Fire Department through her flooded basement Friday evening. Her fridge and furnace took on more than a foot of water.



(Enterprise photo - Griffin Kelly)

Above, the backyard of Rip and Shirley Allen on Kiwassa Road in Saranac Lake is flooded Friday afternoon amid heavy rains and temperatures in the 50s.

substantial. The couple is used to a few inches of flooding whenever it rains. Shirley kept all the clothes in the basement in bags, and she put Rip's tools on top of folding tables. This helped, but major appliances and necessary elements of the house took on over a foot of water.

"There goes my furnace," she said. "There goes my fridge."

The backyard was even worse. At least 4 feet of water



River Road in Lake Placid was closed Friday because of heavy rains and melting snow.

(Enterprise photo - Griffin Kelly)

of a rocking swing. "I ought to start charging



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MEMORANDUM

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**To: Village Board**  
**From: Patrick Murphy, Vice Chair, SLLDC**  
**Re: Recent NYMS Anchor Project Award**  
**Date: January 14, 2018**

**Advisors**

Melinda Little  
Amy Catania  
Alyse Holstein  
Leslie Karasin

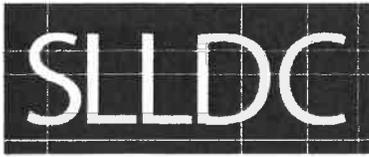
We were pleased to recently receive a NYMS grant award for \$300,000 to assist in the façade renovations for the former Dew Drop Inn. Prior to entering into agreements with the NYMS program and the property owner for implementation of the grant, the SLLDC respectfully requests that the Village reaffirm its commitment to the design and construction of the river walk along the river side of the Dew Drop Inn building.

We recognize that the Village is conducting a feasibility study with LWRP grant funding to evaluate extending the river walk alongside the building as well as other alternatives. This study will conclude in the identification of at least one alternative that would potentially be eligible for LWRP construction funding. Hopefully, the study will conclude that construction of the river walk alongside the building is potentially eligible for LWRP funding.

Unfortunately, the progress of this study is behind schedule due to a number of factors which will delay a decision on LWRP funds for design and construction of the river walk. This impacts the NYMS grant award because the NYMS grant process is moving forward without knowledge of the conclusion of the LWRP study. To keep the integrity of the NYMS grant award a commitment to the extension of the river walk is required.

Regardless of the outcome of the LWRP study, it is important to the SLLDC for the Village to commit to the ultimate goal of building the river walk alongside the building and to making every reasonable effort to do so. If LWRP funding is not available, then the SLLDC proposes to work with the Village to identify other funding sources.

Absent such a commitment, the SLLDC is in a difficult predicament with respect to the NYMS grant we recently received. For the past two years, we focused our NYMS application on this one building rather than seeking funding for a number of buildings like we did in 2015. The rationale for this focus was 100% based on the public benefit that would occur from extension of the river walk alongside the building. In both NYMS applications, the SLLDC cited the Village's commitment to funding the design and construction of the river walk with LWRP funds. This is also a matter of fairness, as under the 2015 NYMS program that resulted in façade work on six downtown buildings,



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reimbursement of property owners has been limited to a maximum of \$50,000 per building.

If the Village is unable to make this commitment, prior to entering into any agreement with the State, the SLLDC will unfortunately at a minimum need to alert the NYMS program of a change in terms of the Village's commitment to this public benefit we used to justify our applications as an anchor project. This public benefit is also what we have told other property owners over the past two years who have asked why we were making an application on behalf of only one downtown building. The SLLDC will have to consider and discuss with the NYMS program whether we are still allowed to move forward with the award for its intended use in the absence of a Village commitment to the river walk.

Thank you for consideration of our request.



Whereas, the Saranac Lake Local Development Corporation (SLLDC) has requested a resolution from the Village reaffirming its commitment to the design and construction of an extended river walk alongside the former Dew Drop Inn; and

Whereas, the SLLDC has obtained a \$300,000 grant from the New York Main Street program for façade improvements to the former Dew Drop Inn that relied upon the public benefit that an extended river walk alongside the building would provide; and

Whereas, this project offers a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to restore a landmark restaurant in the heart of Saranac Lake's downtown and to leverage incorporation of the village's river walk into the design of the restaurant in order to connect two isolated segments of the public trail along the Saranac River; and

Whereas, this project is a key element of the local vision for the revitalization of Saranac Lake's downtown that was identified in the Village's 2016 Downtown Revitalization Initiative application; and

Whereas, Saranac Lake is unique in the Adirondack Park because it is surrounded by mountains, lakes and rivers and offers a thriving downtown and growing population, contributing in many ways to the mix of private and public lands and uses that makes the Adirondacks special, regionally, nationally and globally; and

Whereas, this project will advance the ongoing transformation of Saranac Lake's downtown and Saranac Lake's renaissance as a sustainable Adirondack hamlet where people choose to visit, live and work.

Now, therefore, it is resolved that:

The Village of Saranac Lake Board of Trustees hereby reaffirms its commitment to the goal of extending the river walk alongside the former Dew Drop Inn and will take all reasonable steps necessary to achieve this objective and to obtain funding through the LWRP or other sources for the project in cooperation with the SLLDC.

It is further resolved that:

The Village shall endeavor to ensure universal access in be in compliant with local, federal and state laws as part of any river walk extension.

Be it finally resolved that:

By this resolution the Village Board does not commit taxpayer money to achievement of this goal and that Village's commitment is dependent upon legal arrangements and instruments that are acceptable to the Village Attorney, Village Board and property owners.

**Business of the Village Board  
Village of Saranac Lake**

SUBJECT: PTAB Board Members

Date: 1-22-18

DEPT OF ORIGIN: John Sweeney

Bill # 9 -2018

DATE SUBMITTED: \_\_\_\_\_

EXHIBITS: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Village Attorney

\_\_\_\_\_  
Village Administration

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EXPENDITURE  
REQUIRED

AMOUNT  
BUDGETED:

APPROPRIATION  
REQUIRED

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**SUMMARY STATEMENT**

This resolution reappoints Tom Boothe, Jason Smith, and Marijke Ormel to the Parks and Trails Advisory Board for a new two year term (1/1/18 – 12/31/19).

MOVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_ SECONDED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

VOTE ON ROLL CALL:

MAYOR RABIDEAU \_\_\_\_\_

TRUSTEE SHAPIRO \_\_\_\_\_

TRUSTEE CATILLAZ \_\_\_\_\_

TRUSTEE VAN COTT \_\_\_\_\_

TRUSTEE PELLETIERI \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION TO APPOINT MEMBER TO THE PARKS AND TRAILS  
ADVISORY BOARD**

WHEREAS, the Village of Saranac Lake Parks and Trails Advisory Board has a vacancy;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees hereby reappoints Tom Boothe, Jason Smith, and Marijke Ormel to the Parks and Trails Advisory Board for a term that is in accordance with the Bylaws.



**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING OVERNIGHT TRAVEL FOR  
VILLAGE TREASURER**

WHEREAS, the Village of Saranac Lake encourages its employees to attend and participate in schooling, training, and correspondence courses that will increase their knowledge, skills and job performance,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Elizabeth Benson, Village Treasurer will attend the GFOA conference from March 21-23, 2018 and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the registration fee of \$200.00 which includes registration, training, lodging and meals will be taken from 1.1325.040 travel and training budget line item.