

Regular Meeting
Of the
Putnam Town Board

March 10, 2022, 7PM ~ Putnam Town Hall ~ Zoom

7:00 Meeting called to order

Councilman Larry Shiell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Members present:	Supervisor	Darrell Wilson
	Councilman	Christopher Mallon
	Councilman	Larry Shiell
	Councilwoman	Carole Schneider
	Councilman	Charles Bain

Others present: Mary Jane Dedrick (Deputy Clerk, P.O. Box 14), David Hayes (PVFD President, Resident, 560 Gull Bay Road), Bill Brown (Planning Board Chair, 17 Charter Brook Lane), Debra Sears (Resident, County Route 2)

Present via ZOOM: John Breitenbach (Town Attorney, 23 Father Jogues Place, Ticonderoga NY 12883), Cee McKenzie (BAR Chair, 526 Gull Bay Road), Bob Rudt (Planning Board, 526 Gull Bay Road), May Drinkwine-Shiell (Resident, 439 County Route 3), Nancy Wolf-Fisher (Resident, 5183 Sagamore Road), Dave Manchester (Resident, 5177 Sagamore Road), Tom Bain, and one unidentified call in.

Resolution # 19

Accept the minutes of the February 10, 2022, meeting

On motion of Councilwoman Carole Schneider, seconded by Councilman Larry Shiell; all in favor, Resolution unanimously adopted.

Resolution #20

Accept the Budget Officer's report for the month of February 2022

On motion of Councilman Charlie Bain, seconded by Councilwoman Carole Schneider; all in favor, Resolution unanimously adopted.

Resolution #21

Accept the Town Clerk's report for the month of February 2022

On motion of Councilwoman Carole Schneider, seconded by Councilman Charlie Bain all in favor, Resolution unanimously adopted.

Resolution #22

Accept the Town Justice Report for the month of February 2022

On motion of Councilwoman Carole Schneider, seconded by Councilman Charlie Bain; all in favor, Resolution unanimously adopted.

Resolution #23

Pay bills as audited

On motion of Councilman Christopher Mallon, seconded by Councilman Larry Shiehl; all in favor, Resolution unanimously adopted.

Resolved, the bills on the following are paid as audited.

General Fund	# 47-68	\$198,561.64
Highway Fund	# 21-28	\$6,907.22
Black Point Sewer District	# 1	\$9,774.37

Correspondence

Supervisor Wilson reviewed notification from the APA (Adirondack Park Agency). The correspondence referenced an application for a project from the LGPC (Lake George Park Commission) for the application of aquatic herbicide ProcellaCOR EC to control Eurasian Watermilfoil within a four-acre area of Blairs Bay, Lake George. (See Attached)

Planning Board Report (7:13)

Planning Board Chairman Bill Brown reported that a public hearing was held for Richard Milne for a cabin on Fernwood Way. Mr. Milne's project was approved. Rich Trudeau updated the James Coffman project for a single-family home at 488 Gull Bay Road. John & Anita Meissner had a tiny home approval on 1099 County Route 2. The Planning Board had questions about code enforcement after approval. The home will be classified a recreational vehicle if it remains on wheels with the tongue. A lengthy conversation about tiny homes, code enforcement and a possible update to the Town's mobile home law took place. Supervisor Wilson asked the PB Chair to get recommendations from the Planning Board to present to the Town Board at a later date.

Further discussion will be had later. Washington County Code Enforcement alerted the Planning Board Chairman that Putnam has an old on-site disposal ordinance on the books that is antiquated and should be rescinded. The revised Site Plan Review addresses septic and refers to compliance with the State regulations known as Appendix 75-A Wastewater Treatment Standards-Residential Onsite Systems.

Resolution #24

Terminate the Town of Putnam On-Site Sewage Disposal Ordinance adopted 10 November 1983, adopt the provisions of 10 NYCRR, Appendix 75A for on-site sewage disposal in the Town of Putnam

On motion of Supervisor Wilson, seconded by Councilman Chris Mallon; all in favor. Resolution unanimously adopted. (See Full Resolution attached)

The PB Chair indicated there was a concern that roads were being blocked during construction, and parking on neighboring properties has been a complaint. The Planning Board would like applicants to sign an agreement that roads would not be blocked during construction. It was determined after a brief discussion that on private property the issue is between private landowners, and on a public road the Sheriff or State Police would be the enforcement authority, not the Town.

Fire Department report (7:43)

Dave Hayes Putnam Volunteer Fire Department President reported that in February the department had four call outs. Two were EMS, one was a mutual aid call out in Dresden for an automobile accident, another was an ice rescue that was cancelled in route. Apparently, an amphibious vehicle was observed and mistaken for a sinking vehicle on the ice. President Hayes continued stating that the new truck the FD ordered will be delayed by six to 12 months, because the chassis manufacturer has a back order. The FD

participated in an ice rescue drill in February led by three New York State instructors. The Ticonderoga FD also participated at the invitation of the Putnam FD. The FD is looking into other training with a professional service. Putnam and Ticonderoga would share the costs should the training work out. The FD had a meeting of their Grants Committee, they decided to hire a professional grant writer for \$6,000. The FD Building Committee also met and came forward with 21 new ideas that will be reviewed. The FD has \$15,000 left in their budget funds from 2021, \$10,000 will be placed in a truck replacement fund.

Old business (7:55)

Seasonal boat parking update- the owners of the remaining boat trailers were notified in writing that the trailers left behind this winter will have to be moved from the property within 30 days of the notice. The Washington County Sheriff's Office is assisting in the effort.

Rising costs- Supervisor Wilson brought the issue of untethered inflation, the rising costs of construction, and how it may impact our budget in the coming year. He asked the Board and department heads to be aware and think about alternatives.

Solar Workshop- Supervisor Wilson scheduled a solar workshop for Wednesday, April 6, 2022, at 6:30 PM at Town Hall and via ZOOM. A solar survey is available on the Town's website at www.townofputnamny.com, the survey will be available during the Solar Law development. The pros and cons of a moratorium on solar, and what might trigger a need for one, was discussed. Financial surety was also discussed as a topic for the next workshop.

Cemetery Regulations- A copy of proposed public cemetery regulations in the Town of Putnam was given to the Board to review for April's meeting.

New business (8:13)

Lifeguards' wages- Recreation Supervisor Mary Jane Detrick raised the issue of lifeguard wages. McDonalds in Ticonderoga is hiring at \$15.50 per hour, but our lifeguards make \$15.00. Lifeguards need to have certifications and training to perform the job that a minimum wage job wouldn't require. She asked that the Board consider paying more. After discussion the Board decided to raise the lifeguard wage to \$16.00 per hour for the 2022 summer season. RC Detrick said she has two returning lifeguards and two new people interested. RC Detrick indicated that this would be the first year new lifeguards will have to sign an agreement to reimburse the Town for training if they do not serve at least one year for the Town of Putnam.

Resolution #25

Raise lifeguard wage to \$16 per hour for the 2022 summer season

On motion of Councilman Shiehl, seconded by Councilman Mallon; all in favor.
Resolution unanimously adopted.

Website advertising fee- The Town Clerk explained that a business from outside of Putnam wanted to advertise on the Town's website. Since the business didn't pay taxes in Putnam the Board placed a fee on advertising on the website of \$100 annually. The fee applies to all businesses including resident businesses that pay taxes in Putnam. The Clerk respectfully requested that the fee be removed for Putnam residents who already pay for the website via their taxes, and only charge outside businesses that do not pay taxes to Putnam.

Resolution #26

Remove website advertising fee for Residents of Putnam, \$100 annual fee for non-residents

On motion of Councilman Charlie Bain, seconded by Councilwoman Carole Schneider; all in favor.
Resolution unanimously adopted.

Resolution #27

Move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel, specifically the Budget Officer

On motion of Councilman Chris Mallon, seconded by Councilman Larry Shiell; all in favor.
Resolution unanimously adopted.

Resolution #28

Leave Executive Session

On motion of Councilman Chris Mallon, seconded by Councilman Larry Shiell; all in favor.
Resolution unanimously adopted.

Resolution #29

Adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Putnam Town Board

On motion of Councilman Larry Shiell, seconded by Councilman Charlie Bain; all in favor.
Resolution unanimously adopted.

Next Solar Workshop - Wednesday, April 6th, at 6:30 PM, at Town Hall & ZOOM.

Next Regular Meeting of the Putnam Town Board - April 14th, at 7PM at Town Hall & ZOOM.

Respectfully submitted,
Darlene Kerr
Putnam Town Clerk

Darrell Wilson _____ Supervisor
Christopher Mallon _____ Councilman
Carole Schneider _____ Councilwoman
Larry Shiell _____ Councilman
Charles Bain Sr. _____ Councilman



Adirondack Park Agency

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MAJOR PROJECT PUBLIC NOTICE APPLICATION COMPLETED APA PROJECT NO. 2022-0004

Date: March 3, 2022

The Agency determined on **March 3, 2022** that the application referenced below is complete and under formal review for Agency action. The purpose of this Notice is to inform you about the proposed project and to ask for any written comments that you may wish to make about the project. Comments previously submitted are already part of the project file and need not be repeated.

It is not necessary to respond to this notice unless you want to do so. If you wish to provide written comments, they must be received by **March 31, 2022**. Please address any written comments to **Leigh Walrath** at RPCComments@apa.ny.gov and reference the above project number. Comments are also accepted by mail or electronically via the Agency website's Public Input page.

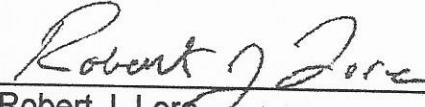
PROJECT SPONSOR, LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

The Agency received an application on **January 10, 2022**, and additional information on **January 18, 2022** for a project proposed by the **Lake George Park Commission** in the Town of **Hague, Warren County**, in **Blairs Bay, Lake George** in an area designated as **Under Water** on the Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan Map. The attached map shows the approximate location of the project site.

The project is briefly described as follows: **Application of the aquatic herbicide ProcettaCOR EC to control Eurasian Watermilfoil within a 4.0-acre area of Blairs Bay, Lake George.**

Date

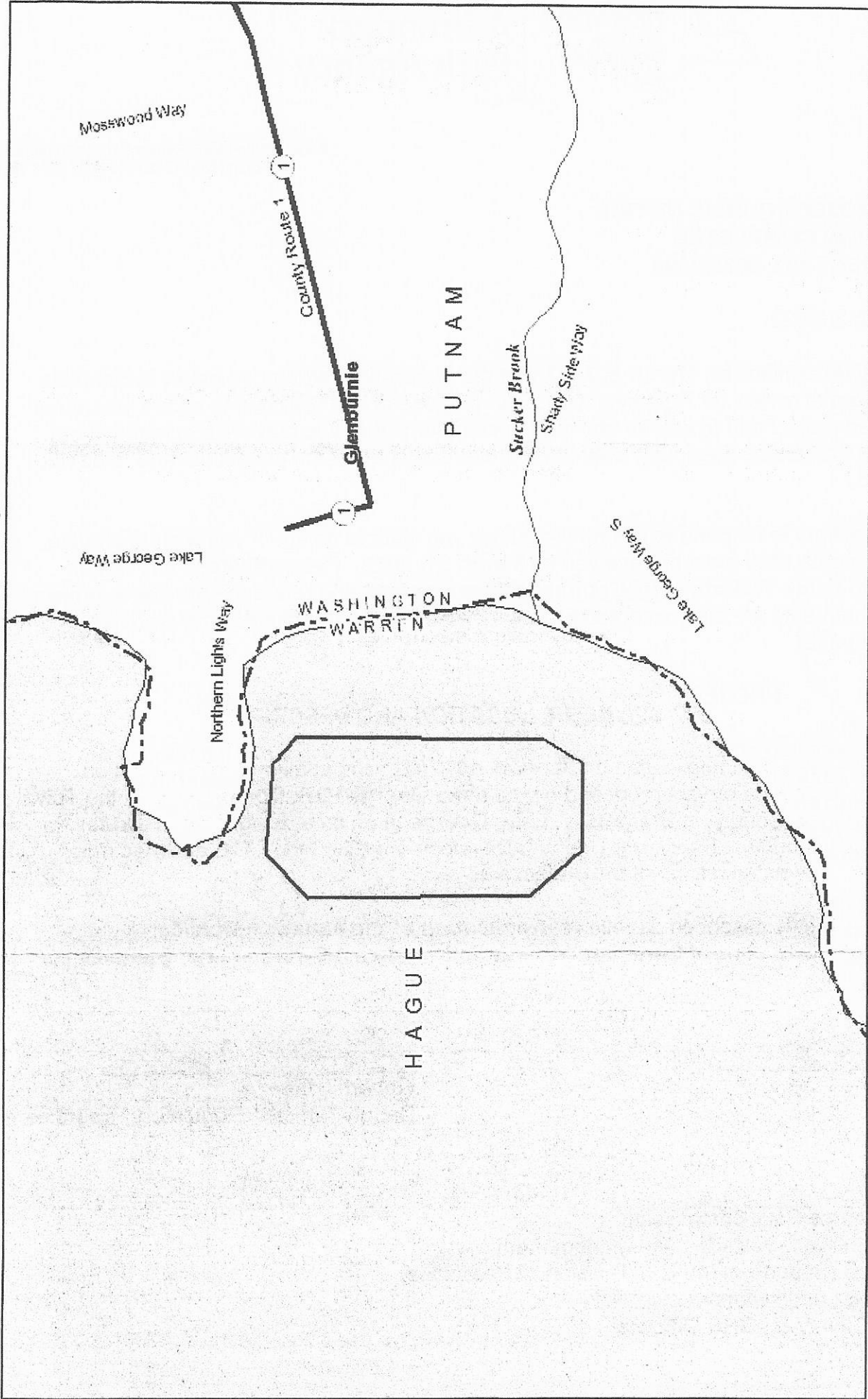
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Robert J. Lore

Deputy Director, Regulatory Programs

cc: Lake George Park Commission
Glenn Sullivan, Solitude Lake Management
NYSDEC (Brian Primeau R-5, Division of Pesticides)
Adjoining Landowners
Town, County & LGRB Officials

P2022-0004 Location Map



1/10/2022, 12:55:06 PM is advisory only, not to be used to confirm exact boundary location or for determining Agency jurisdiction.

- APA Project Review Sites _Query result
- Park Boundary Blueline

TOWN OF PUTNAM
RESOLUTION NO. 24 OF 2022

WHEREAS, The Town Board of the Town of Putnam, County of Washington, State of New York, approved and adopted the Town of Putnam On-Site Sewage Disposal Ordinance on the 10th day of November 1983, and revised the 13th day of April, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board approved and adopted the Town of Putnam Proposed Site Plan Review Law on the 9th day of January 2019, which provides that On-Site Wastewater Disposal Standards and system design shall conform to NYS Department of Health 10 NYCRR, Appendix 75A and/or the Department of Environmental Conservation SPEDES requirements; and

WHEREAS, 10 NYCRR, Appendix 75A(2) provides in part "*a) Where sewage treatment systems are to be located on the watersheds or well head area of public water supplies, the rules and regulations enacted by the State Department of Health for the protection of these supplies must be observed. (b) This appendix establishes the minimum standards acceptable in New York State.*", and

WHEREAS, the Town of Putnam lies within the watersheds of both Lake Champlain and Lake George; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Putnam has determined that it is in the Town's best interest to protect the watersheds of both Lake Champlain and Lake George, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Putnam has determined that it is in the Town's best interest to have any and all wastewater or sewage treatment system located within the Town to be designed, constructed, and repaired with the standards established by the provisions of 10 NYCRR, Appendix 75A; and

WHEREAS, Town Board of the Town of Putnam has determined that it is in the Town's best interest to have a single, consistent set of standards for any and all wastewater or sewage treatment systems located within the Town; NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS

RESOLVED, that, (1) consistent with the requirements of 10 NYCRR, Appendix 75A, any and all wastewater or sewage treatment system located within the Town of Putnam are hereafter to be designed, constructed, and repaired with the standards established by the provisions of 10 NYCRR, Appendix 75A.

(2) hereinafter, any and all wastewater or sewage treatment system located within the Town of Putnam shall be designed, constructed, and repaired in accordance with the standards and requirements established by 10 NYCRR, Appendix 75A.

(3) The Town of Putnam On-Site Sewage Disposal Ordinance approved and adopted by the Putnam Town Board on the 10th day of November 1983, and revised the 13th day of April, 2007 is hereby terminated and hereafter null and void and of no further force and effect.

Dated: March 10, 2022

TOWN OF PUTNAM
By: 
DARRELL WILSON, Supervisor