## Board of Trustees Village of Black River, New York



Agenda
Regular Meeting
April 1, 2024

- -Call to order.
- -Pledge of Allegiance.
- -Approval of minutes of the 2/26/24 special meeting & 3/4/24 regular meeting
- -Public Comment.
- -Police Department Report.
- -Code Enforcement Report & review of related correspondence.
- Clerk-Treasurer's Report.
- -Superintendent's Report.

### Correspondence Received:

### **Correspondence Sent:**

A) Lee's Lawn Care

Re: AED Donation

#### New Business:

- A) Set public hearing for Local Law 1 2024
- B) Bill Reichard Historian Assistance

#### **Unfinished Business:**

- -Reports from Standing Committees.
- -Reports from Special Meetings.
- -Authorize payment of bills; adjournment.

Village of Black River Board of Trustees Special Meeting February 26, 2024



Mayor Leonard called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present:
Mayor David Leonard
Trustee Bonnie Proven
Trustee David Daily
Trustee Randy Lake
Trustee Corey Decillis
Superintendent Les Williams
Clerk-Treasurer Kristin Williams

The board was present to discuss the budget requests of department heads. The board agreed upon a 3% raise for employees and a 2% increase for the fire department and ambulance squad. Clerk-Treasurer Williams stated that neither the Town of Rutland nor LeRay are assessed at 100% so she is unsure what the taxable values will be. She stated that the equalization rate for of Rutland has decreased to 85% and if it continues to decline, the village may have to consider separate tax rates again in the future. Clerk-Treasurer Williams stated that she will have the tentative budget ready for review around mid-March.

The board agreed that Superintendent Williams and Assistant Superintendent Matt Leary can attend the NY State Rural Water Training School.

A motion was made by Trustee Proven, seconded by Trustee Lake to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 p.m. The motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Williams Clerk-Treasurer

#### Village of Black River Board of Trustees Regular Meeting March 4, 2024



Mayor Leonard called the meeting to order and lead the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:00 p.m.

Present:
Mayor Daivd Leonard
Trustee Bonnie Proven
Trustee Randy Lake
Superintendent Les Williams
Clerk-Treasurer Kristin Williams
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Tarra Benson
Police Chief Steve Wood
Code Enforcement Officer James Holland

Excused: Trustee David Daily Trustee Corey Decillis

<u>Public Comments:</u> Lee Carpenter presented the Village with an AED to be placed at the Village's Recreation Building. Residents were present expressing concern regarding kids wandering around the village at night as well as concerns over property maintenance.

<u>Police Department Report:</u> Police Chief Wood stated that he worked fifty hours during the month, he issued some tickets and background checks.

Code Enforcement Report: CEO Holland stated that he has been working with his replacement, Mr. Ault. CEO Holland stated that his last day with the village will be May 10<sup>th</sup>. He stated that he has sent out annual fire inspection letters. He stated that the Howes St. project is still underway.

<u>Superintendent's Report:</u> Superintendent Williams stated that the DPW had discovered four leaks and that one was about 20,000 gallons a day, they are installing water meters in the village buildings for better accountability. He stated that they aren't putting one in the garage due to the fact that a new water line is needed there. He stated that Joe Paige is back at work. The uv bulbs were delivered and are installed. He stated that there is a NYCOM webinar on the lead and copper rule in March and stated that board members are welcome to participate. He stated that brush is being collected sporadically.

<u>Correspondence Received:</u> The board received the annual report from Black River Ambulance Squad, a letter from National Grid, a letter from Charles Stafford requesting a joint meeting between the planning board and the village board to discuss solar regulations. The board agreed to hold a joint meeting at the regular planning board meeting on April 9 2024 at 6:30 p.m. The board reviewed the letter from James Holland stating that his last day of employment with the village will be May 10, 2024.

Clerk-Treasurer Williams stated that the mobile food pantry sponsored by CAPC would like to set up in the village on the first Monday of very month beginning on April 1st. She stated that they would set up at the gazebo near W. Dexter St. and Public Square.

A motion was made by Mayor Leonard, seconded by Trustee Lake to allow the mobile food pantry to be staged in the village. The motion was carried.

Correspondence Sent: A letter was sent to Stephen Kowalick welcoming him to the planning board.

A motion was made by Trustee Proven, seconded by Trustee Lake to adopt the following resolution:

**Resolved,** that the following abstracts of adopted vouchers be approved: interim abstract dated 2/22/24 in the amount of \$52,493.89 (General Fund: \$10,208.96 Water Fund: \$16,658.82

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Sewer Fund: \$25,626.11) and regular monthly abstract dated 3/4/24 in the amount of \$14,101.00 (General Fund: \$3,468.37 Water Fund: \$10, 632.63). The motion was put to a vote as follows:

Mayor Leonard Yes
Trustee Proven Yes
Trustee Lake Yes

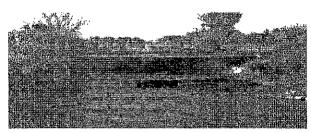
The motion was carried and the resolution duly adopted.

A motion was made by Trustee Proven, seconded by Mayor Leonard to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. The motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Williams Clerk-Treasurer

#### Office of Code Enforcement Village of Black River, New York



March 12, 2024

Sally Ploof Hunter Memorial Library Shawn Hunt 101 Public Works Drive Black River, New York 13612

RE: 101 Public Works Drive 75.49-1-25.2

Dear Mr. Hunt,

This letter is in regard to the above referred property and your request for a permit for a sign for this location.

By receipt of this letter, you are hereby notified that your request for a permit is hereby denied because the proposed sign would be a violation of Village of Black River Code Chapter 175-39 Section C (5) (7).

175-39 C (5) All signs shall be limited in wording and graphics to the name of the establishment and its principal service or purpose.

175-39 C (7) No sign shall be illuminated by or contain flashing, intermittent, rotating, or moving light or lights. All luminous signs, indirectly illuminated signs, and lighting devices shall employ only lights emitting light of constant intensity.

The permit also lacks the required signatures. Also, the contractor's information and worker's comprehensive insurance form is not included with the permit application.

If you should have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at the Village Office.

Sincerely

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James Holland

Code Enforcement Officer

CC: Mayor and Village Board of Trustees

# Board of Trustees Village of Black River, New York





Lee's Lawn Care Leland and Matthew Carpenter 159 N. Main St. Black River, NY 13612

March 11, 2024

Dear Leland and Matthew;

The Village of Black River Board of Trustees would like to thank you for your donation of the AED for our recreation building. This will be a valuable asset to our building for the baseball league, our summer recreation program and any other activities at our park. Thank you again!

Sincerely,

David Leonard

Mayor

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New York State Department of State 162 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York 12231

Text of law should be given as amended. Do not include matter being eliminated and do not use italics or underlining to indicate new matter.

	Village of Black River	
	Local Law No. 1 of the year 2024	
A local law	Amending Chapter 85 and Chapter 149 of the Code	of the Village of Black River
	Pertaining to Fire Prevention and Building Construc	
	and Parking Lots.	
Be it enacted l	by the Village Board (Name of Legislative Body)	of the
Village of		as follows:
Article 1 A	uthority The Board of Trustees of the Village of	Black River, pursuant to the

Article 1. Authority. The Board of Trustees of the Village of Black River, pursuant to the authority granted under Article 4 of the Village Law, as well as Section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York, hereby enacts the following:

Chapter 85 of the Code of the Village of Black River is hereby amended as follows:

#### Article 3A.

The following shall be added in the third line after the words "limited to,": "all excavating in the Village, including the creation, expansion, and repaving of driveways and parking lots,"

Chapter 149 of the Code of the Village of Black River is hereby amended as follows:

## Article III. §149-11. Applications for permits.

"Village Clerk" shall be deleted and "Code Enforcement Officer" shall be placed in its stead.

#### Article III. §149-18. Enforcement officer.

After the first word: "The", "Code Enforcement Officer and" shall be added.

All other provisions of this local law, not amended herein, shall remain in full force and effect.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This Local Law shall take effect upon filing with the Secretary of State pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York.

(Complete the certification in the paragraph that applies to the filing of this local law and strike out that which is not applicable.)

<ol> <li>(Final adoption by local legislative body only</li> </ol>	y.)			
I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto,	designated as Local Law No. 1 of 2024 of			
the Village of Black River was duly passed by the Village Board on				
accordance with the applicable provisions of law.				
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2. (Passage by local legislative body with appro	oval, no disapproval or repassage after			
disapproval by the Elective Chief Executive Of				
I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto,	designated as local law No. of 20			
Of the (County)(City)(Town)(Village) of	was duly passed by			
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disapproved)(repassed after disapproval) by the _	and			
was deemed duly adopted on	, 20, in accordance with the applicable			
provisions of law.				
3. (Final adoption by referendum.)				
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disapproved)(repassed after disapproval) by the _	ve Chief Executive Officer*)			
(Electiv	ve Chief Executive Officer*)			
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qualified electors voting thereon at the (general)(s	special)(annual) election held on,			
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disapproved)(repassed after disapproval) by the	ive Chief Executive Officer*)			
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no valid petition requesting such referendum was	filed as of 20 in			
accordance with the applicable provisions of law.	•			
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Elective Chief Executive Officer means or includes the chi	let executive officer of a county elected on a county-wide			
basis or, if there be none, the chairman of the county legisle supervisor of a town where such officer is vested with the	nower to approve or veto local laws or ordinances			
supervisor of a town where such officer is vested with the	Poster to approve or sero road lasts or oranimized.			

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6. (County local law concerning adoption of Charter.)  I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law Noof 20, of the County of, State of New York, having been submitted to the electors at the General Election of November, 20, pursuant to subdivisions 5 and 7 of Section 33 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the cities of said county as a unit and of a majority of the qualified electors of the towns of said county considered as a unit voting at said general election, became operative.				
(If any other authorized form of final adoption has been for certification.)	llowed, please provide an appropriate			
I further certify that I have compared the preceding local law with the original on file in this office and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of such original local law, and was finally adopted in the manner indicated in paragraph above.				
(Seal)	Clerk of the County legislative body, City, Town or Village Clerk or officer designated by local legislative body.  Kristin Williams, Village Clerk  Date:			
(Certification to be executed by County Attorney, Corporation Counsel, Town Attorney, Village Attorney or other authorized Attorney of locality.)				
STATE OF NEW YORK )				
).ss COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE)				
I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing all proper proceedings have been had or taken for the	local law contains the correct text and that ne enactment of the local law annexed hereto.			
	Henry J. Leader, Esq. Village Attorney Village of Black River Date: , 2024			