



Bruce E. Young  
Chairman

Dave Wick  
Executive Director

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## **MEETING MINUTES**

**MEETING NO. 502**

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2020**

**MEETING HELD VIA TELECONFERENCE**

**PRESIDING:**

Bruce E. Young, Chairman

**COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Kenneth Parker, Vice-Chairman  
Joe Stanek  
Catherine LaBombard  
Erin Burns  
Dave Floyd  
William Mason  
James Kneeshaw  
John McDonald

**COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Dean Cook

**COMMISSION STAFF PRESENT:**

Dave Wick, Executive Director  
Joseph Johns, Director of Law Enforcement  
Joe Thouin, Environmental Analyst I  
Michelle Way, Office Assistant III  
Justin Luyk, Park Ranger

**COMMISSION COUNSEL PRESENT:**

Karla Buettner

<b>OTHERS PRESENT:</b>	Rosemary Pusateri	Walt Lender	Kristen Wilde
	Chris Navitsky	Eric Siy	Rick Relyea
	Brea Arvidson	Jay Petrequin	Chris Cornell
	Sandra Hutchinson	Randy Rath	Chad Arnold
	Emily Boucher	Gwen Craig	Ry Rivard
	Harry Kolar	Lucas Willard	Patricia Burke

**Item #1 — Introductions, Roll Call, Minutes of Previous Meeting: Bruce E. Young, Chairman**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. and the roll call was taken.

Joe Stanek made a motion to approve the November meeting minutes which was seconded by Dave Floyd; all members present voted unanimously.

**Item #2 — Fiscal Actions Report for November 2020: Bruce E. Young, Chairman**

John McDonald made a motion to approve the November Fiscal Actions Report which was seconded by Dave Floyd; all members present voted unanimously.

**Item #3 — Project Review, Acceptance of the Project Review Actions Report: Joe Thouin**

***Resolution 2020- 47— Project Review Actions Report***

Joe Stanek read and moved to approve the Project Review Actions Report which was seconded by Dave Floyd; all members present voted unanimously.

**WHEREAS** the Commission has received and reviewed the Project Review Actions Report prepared by staff and dated December 8, 2020.

**WHEREAS** the Project Review Committee recommends acceptance of the Project Review Actions Report.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Commission directs that the Project Review Actions Report be incorporated in the minutes of the full Commission meeting.

**\*\*Please note that there are no projects before the board this month\*\***

**Item #4 — Presentation: The Jefferson Project’s Rapid Response to the Harmful Algae Bloom in Lake George: Dr. Rick Relyea, Harry Kolar and Eric Siy**

The Jefferson Project, a partnership between IBM, RPI’s Darrin freshwater Institute and the FUND for Lake George provided an update on its research into the harmful algal blooms that occurred on Lake George.

Dr. Relyea spoke about to key questions that researchers are trying to find answers to. “Did we just get a perfect storm of conditions to allow this to happen naturally? Or was there some human role at play here?”

Sampling efforts are currently underway, with the Jefferson Project putting approximately 20 people on the lake each day. They are analyzing water temperature, oxygen, turbidity, algal growth and nutrients.

Mire sampling will continue as the winter “settling stage” is underway.

To see the complete presentation, visit our website at [www.lgpc.ny.gov](http://www.lgpc.ny.gov).

**Item #5 — Update on LGPC New Office Building: Dave Wick, Executive Director**

Lake George Park Commission Executive Director, Dave Wick, said that progress is being made on the building. The building is scheduled to be delivered on December 16, 2020 and is coming from Pennsylvania so with the pending snowstorm there may be some delays. Once the building is here it will take approximately 6 weeks to be set.

**Resolution 2020-48**

Joe Stanek moved to approve Resolution 2020-48 which was seconded by Dave Floyd; all members present voted unanimously.

**WHEREAS** the Lake George Park Commission is moving into its new office building in February of 2021, and

**WHEREAS** the existing office furniture is several decades old and does not meet the needs of the new office space and conference area, and

**WHEREAS** the budget of the building project includes funding specifically for new furniture, fixtures and equipment, and

**WHEREAS** office furniture for NYS agencies is available for procurement on NYS contract, which meets NYS Office of General Services and Office of the State Comptroller requirements,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Commission authorizes its Executive Director to execute a purchase order for NYS procurement contract provider Affordable Interior Solutions under NYS Contract #23109 in the amount not to exceed \$30,000, including procurement, delivery and setup onsite in the new building.

### **Resolution 2020-49**

Kenneth Parker moved to approve Resolution 2020-49 which was seconded by Joe Stanek; all members present voted unanimously.

**WHEREAS** on October 28, 2020, the Lake George Park Commission released an Invitation for Bids seeking qualified contractors to complete the buildout of the new LGPC building basement space in preparation for the new Lake George Battlefield Park Visitors Interpretive Center (VIC), and

**WHEREAS** the IFB was advertised on the NYS Contract Reporter website, local newspapers and distributed directly to area construction firms as required by the NYS Finance Law and the Public Buildings Law, and

**WHEREAS** bids for the project were due on December 11, 2020 and the Commission received nine bids for the VIC build-out work, and

**WHEREAS** Commission staff has reviewed the bids received and finds the lowest cost responsive bidder is KEK Excavators of Palatine Bridge, NY with a bid of \$48,763, and

**WHEREAS** the Commission finds it in its best interests to award the bid to KEK Excavators and to enter into contract for the work detailed in the associated IFB.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Commission awards IFB # D20200100 to KEK Excavators, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Commission authorizes the Executive Director to prepare and execute a contract in the amount of \$48,763 the aforementioned project.

**Item #6 — LGPC Information Technology Systems Update: Justin Luyk, Trades Generalist**

Justin Luyk explained that the current office infrastructure is out of date and as such it did not make sense to move any of our current systems to the new building. We plan to start fresh with an improved modern IT infrastructure.

A request for bid was sent out to 9 local providers. We are looking for a cost effective, secure, reliable network and infrastructure.

**Item #7 — Law Enforcement Committee Report: Kenneth W. Parker, Vice-Chairman**

Kenneth Parker said that the Law Enforcement Committee met this morning. He said they discussed some situations and some boats. They then went into executive session where they discussed on-going enforcement activities.

Kenneth Parker moved to approve Resolution 2020-50 which was seconded by William Mason; all members present voted unanimously.

**WHEREAS** the Law Enforcement Committee met December 15, 2020 to review matters pertaining to the Lake George Park Commission's Marine Patrol and the Commission's Law Enforcement Program, and

**WHEREAS** active Law Enforcement cases and their status were reviewed in Executive Session, and

**WHEREAS** the Law Enforcement Committee has reported on the results of that committee meeting at this full Commission meeting, and

**WHEREAS** the Law Enforcement Committee recommends acceptance of this month's Law Enforcement Report.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Commission accepts the report of the Law Enforcement Committee.

### **Item #8 — Public Comments**

Chris Navitsky thanked the Commission and Dave Wick for extending man hours at the Million Dollar Beach and Mossy Point boat launches. He said that as many as 22 trailers were observed in the parking lot of Million Dollar Beach.

Mr. Navitsky also thanked Joe Johns and Joe Thouin for their work on a matter in Sabbath Day Point.

Rosemary Pusateri sent out a heartfelt thank you to the Jefferson Project for their work on Lake George and the newly discovered HAB. She said that HAB's are a public health concern and said she is having a hard time figuring out how people get notified.

### **Item #9 — Adjournment**

Joe Stanek made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by John McDonald; all members present voting affirmatively. The meeting was adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

**SECRETARY'S NOTE:** The next Commission meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, January 26, 2021 via Tele-Conference.**