

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

SUBJECT: Harvest Festival Park Use with Alcohol/Road Closure

Date: 7/28/2025

DEPT OF ORIGIN: Village Manager

BILL # 101-2025

DATE SUBMITTED: 7/21/2025

EXHIBITS: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Village Attorney

Village Administration

EXPENDITURE
REQUIRED: \$0

AMOUNT
BUDGETED: \$0

APPROPRIATION
REQUIRED: \$0

SUMMARY STATEMENT

Authorize the park use application with permission to serve alcohol for the 2025 High Peaks Harvest Festival

RECOMMENDED ACTION

MOVED BY: Scollin SECONDED BY: Ryan

VOTE ON ROLL CALL:

MAYOR WILLIAMS

yes

TRUSTEE BRUNETTE

yes

TRUSTEE RYAN

yes

TRUSTEE SCOLLIN

yes

TRUSTEE WHITE

absent

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PARK USE APPLICATION FOR 2025
FARMERS MARKET HARVEST FESTIVAL WITH PERMISSION TO SERVE ALCOHOL

WHEREAS, High Peaks Farmers Market is requesting usage of Berkeley Green and Main Street from Broadway intersection to Hotel Saranac Parking Lot on October 18, 2025, and,

WHEREAS, the High Peaks Farmers Market has partnered with the Village and the Hotel Saranac to provide vendors for food, beer, and wine during the festival, and,

WHEREAS, all parties involved will provide the necessary certificates of insurance naming the Village of Saranac Lake additionally insured, and,

WHEREAS, special event permits from the New York State Liquor Authority will be obtained by vendors and a copy of this permit will be placed on file with the Village.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Village Board of Saranac Lake authorizes the use of Berkeley Green and road closure for the 2025 Harvest Festival with the permission to serve alcohol.

2nd Annual High Peaks Harvest Festival – October 18, 2025

12:00pm – 4:00pm (set up for vendors starts at 10:00am / breakdown is from 4:00pm - 5:30pm)

A community street festival to welcome the Fall season, as well as highlight the High Peaks Farmers Market relocation to Hotel Saranac for the winter months.

Purpose: Many of our surrounding towns host either a Fall Festival or October Fest, that draws residents and visitors to their Downtown area. Based on other small town experiences, a Fall Festival is enjoyed by all ages, and expands the Villages sense of community. Many visitors travel to the Adirondacks during the Fall and are looking for events to supplement hikes and other nature related activities. The High Peaks Harvest Festival will:

- Provide our residents and visitors with a unique and fun experience.
- Promote Downtown as a lively destination.
- Give visibility to the Winter Farmers Market at Hotel Saranac (Saturdays, October - December 10:00 – 1:00).
- Encourage residents and visitors to support local businesses in an otherwise slow time of year.

High Peaks Harvest Festival, organized by the Village of Saranac Lake, High Peaks Farmers Market, Hotel Saranac and ANCA will have vendor tents (local businesses & artists), food, music, and kids activities.

The event will take place on Main St, with area business participation, from the corner of Main and Broadway to the entrance to the Hotel Saranac parking area (keeping access to Hotel Saranac open).

We would also request that the bathrooms at Berkeley Green be open for this event.

In case of rain, the event will be moved inside Hotel Saranac. A smaller portion of the road will remain closed to accommodate the food and beer vendors. Food and beer will be allowed to be brought into the hotel.