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**Saranac Lake Civic Center Announces
Appointment of Officers to its Board of Directors**

SARANAC LAKE, N.Y. -- The Saranac Lake Civic Center announces the election of its officers. The current number of board members is 11.

Three new officers have been named -- President Victoria Sturgeon, Vice President Josh Dann and Secretary Patti Ploof. Treasurer Nancy Heath has been re-elected. Victoria Sturgeon, board member for 8 years, transitions to the role of President after being the Vice President for the last year - she replaces former president, Ollie Burgess, who will remain on the board. "Being elected as the President of the Board is exciting," Sturgeon said. "My vision is to expand the Civic Center into a vibrant community hub that is open year-round, 24/7, as host of a wide array of activities and events."

Josh Dann takes on the role of Vice President after relinquishing his reins as the Sara-Placid Pee Wee Hockey Board of Directors President. He has been a board member for the last 6 years, "I'm thrilled to continue our work as a board of directors and also continue to support the employees of the Saranac Lake Civic Center", said Dann, a 6-year board member. "With all of our community support and our brand-new building, the possibilities are endless."

Patti Ploof takes the role of Secretary from retired Board Member, Amy Chapin, who spent years of dedication, time and service to the Saranac Lake Civic Center.

The officers begin their year-long term with Saranac Lake Civic Center effective October 1, 2024.

"I want to express gratitude to Ollie Burgess for his leadership as the Civic Center Board President," said Matthew Wolter, Civic Center Manager. "His leadership and countless hours of dedication helped transform the Civic Center into a modern facility through a multi-year, capital project. Without Ollie's efforts, we would not be where we are today. I look forward to continuing to work with Ollie in his new role while also working with the newly elected officers."

About the Saranac Lake Civic Center

The Saranac Lake Civic Center is a year-round, not-for-profit recreation and events facility, serving the residents and visitors of Saranac Lake

and the surrounding Adirondack community. The Saranac Lake Civic Center serves residents and visitors from across the region and beyond. Its regular users include local youth hockey, high school players from Saranac Lake and Lake Placid Central Schools, women's and men's adult recreational hockey, Lake Placid Curling Club, Paul Smith's College, Northwood School and more. Expanded users include tournament users (such as Can-Am Hockey, Canadian Hockey Enterprises, Empire State Winter Games) and exposition organizers to take advantage of the event space.

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