

**Agenda**  
**Town Of Hoosick Regular Meeting**  
**February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

- **Moment of Silence-** With heavy hearts we take moment to remember our friend and Town Justice, Dick Whalen who passed away January 26<sup>th</sup> He will be missed!!!

**III. Roll Call**

- **Previous Meeting(s) Minutes-** have been reviewed by the board and are available from the Town Clerk or [www.townofhoosick.org](http://www.townofhoosick.org) .

**IV. Welcome/Public Comments--** Open time to share thoughts, concerns, and announcements with the Board that are Town related. Please limit remarks to 3 minutes.

**Tom Valone Hoosick Rising-** Broadband Group Leader to discuss High Speed Internet in the rural part of Hoosick.

**V. Correspondence**

- **Lace Up for the Cure-** Annual event to raise money for the American Cancer Society will be held this year on April 18<sup>th</sup>. For information please Contact Gretchen Yonconish 518-488-7238 or e-mail [gyonconish@roadrunner.com](mailto:gyonconish@roadrunner.com) .
- **State of New York Public Service Commission-** We received a report on Case 04-M-0159 Proceeding on a Motion of the Commission to Examine the Safety of Electric Transmission and Distribution Systems. This report is available online by searching Case 04-M-0159. Hard copy is available at Town Office if needed.
- **Village of Hoosick Falls-** Sewer Collection System Improvement Project; completed Negative Declaration Form, SEQR Full Environmental Assessment Form part 2 & 3.
- **NYMIR Safety Committee Playbook-** A copy has been distributed to the Board to be considered and discussed at the March meeting.

## **VI. Town Clerk's Report**

- **26 Brenenstuhl Road-** Updated Bid notice will be in the paper for two weeks with opening of bids to take place at the February Town Board meeting.

## **VII. Assessor's Report**

- **Exemption Time-** March 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. Please contact Assessor Rice if you have any questions.

## **VIII. Superintendent of Highway's Report**

- **Open Bids Sand, Fuel Oil & Diesel Fuel**
- **Salt Shortage-** As reported on local TV news there is once again this year a salt shortage that is affecting us. We have calls in to the State to advise them of our situation.
- **Zamboni-** Has an oil leak will be looked at after snow is cleaned up.
- **New Truck-** We made a motion to start bid & purchase process at last month's meeting however we may opt to take advantage of the new Piggy back law that allows us to use previously approved truck bids.
- **Truck Incident-** During the Monday, 2/2 snowstorm our 1998 Tandem trk was backed into a ditch on Ford Rd. causing damage to the box body and possibly the frame of the trk. Insurance company has been contacted we are waiting on insurance adjuster.

## **IX. Town Historian**

## **X. Recreation Report**

- **Rink-** The rink is now open. Rink information is available at [www.hoosickrecreation.com](http://www.hoosickrecreation.com).
- **Hockey Skates-** After mentioning in last month's meeting a need for hockey skates the Town received three separate donations to purchase the skates.

We were able to purchase 9 pairs of skates with the donations. THANK YOU!!

- **Hoosick Friends of Skating-** Completed the final week of skating lessons on Saturday. The weather for Ice has been very cooperative this year.
- **Lifeguards-** We are accepting applications for Lifeguards for the 2015 swim season. Please apply now so we can coordinate all needed training prior to the pool opening in June/July. Applications are available on our town web site.
- **Castle Playground-** Meeting tomorrow evening at the Falls Diner with Kiwanis Club to hear presentation on possible updates.

## **XI. Supervisor Surdam's Report**

## **XII. Town Council Reports**

**Deputy Supervisor Wysocki**

**Councilperson Patire**

**Councilperson Sutton**

**Councilperson Hyde**

## **XIII Old or Ongoing Business**

- **Bond Anticipation Note (BAN)** – \$500,000 for the Pool Rehab Project. The Note is dated January 27<sup>th</sup> 2015 with Pioneer Savings Bank, bears interest at the rate of 1.125% per annum, is payable at maturity, and matures on January 26, 2016. There are options to renew.
- **COI Information-**Do we need to review and compare what NYMIR sent with what we are using? Should we have a written policy in place to avoid future confusion?
- **Budgeted Computer Server-** Resolution

- **St. Patrick's Parade Support-** Resolution with new agreement.
- **Consolidated Funding Grant-** For the project to update the Pool Mechanical Room (pump house) and the bath house. We received a letter advising that the next step in the process is to meet with our OPRHP Regional Grant Administrator (RGA) Danielle Dwyer to become oriented to the program and its requirements. We expect that meeting to take place soon.
- **Updating Purchase Policy & Investment Policy-** We continue to look at these policies that were last updated in 1999.
- **Zoning Board Appointment-** Jim Hoag retroactive to April 1<sup>st</sup> 2014. We appoint Jim to serve as Planning Board Chairman but missed his reappointment that should have happened in April.
- **Woods Brook-** Discussion on sharing cost with village for writing a grant to do in depth study of resolving this problem. Initial quote from Barton & Loguidice Engineering is \$4500 to write the Grant Application. \$2250 would be the Town's portion.

#### **XIV New Business**

1. **Upcoming Meetings-** Planning Board 2/23 at 7:30pm, Zoning Board 3/2 at 7pm,
2. **2015 Youth Development Grant-** Information and application have been received & returned. Propose to again work with HAYC3 in applying for this grant and administering the Youth Development Program. Resolution
3. **County Wide Government Efficiency Plan Meeting-** to comply with the Tax Freeze Law was held on Jan 14<sup>th</sup>. As our part of the Government Efficiency Planning the suggestion has been made to look into shared services and or shared space with the town and village highway departments. Mayor Borge & Supervisor Surdam have discussed the possibility of putting a committee together to see if there could be some cost savings. Also willing to consider any other ideas.
4. **Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer Position-** Ed King has informed us this will be his last year as the Town's Building Inspector. Motion to begin advertising for a new building inspector as there is mandatory training required. Currently, this part time position requires approx. 3-4 hours per day, 3-4 days a week, some call in time with a budgeted annual salary of \$14,752.
5. **Budget Modifications-** To accept donations for hockey skates. Resolution

## **XV. Adjournment pending the signing of Vouchers**