

**Town of Hoosick
Regular Board Meeting
January 12, 2015 7:00 PM**

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence- For those who have passed. Our Sympathies to Councilperson Patire and his Family at the passing of his Mom and his Mother-in-Law.

Roll Call: Supervisor Mark Surdam, Dave Sutton, Jeff Wysocki, Jenn Hyde. Absent: Bruce Patire
Welcome to Jenn Hyde- Our newly Elected Town Board Member.

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

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

- **HAYC3-** Upcoming Events
- **USDA Rural Development 504 Loan/Grant Program-** provides help to very-low income owner occupants of modest single family homes in need of repair that are located in rural areas. Additional information- www.townofhoosick.org .
- **Hoosick Rising Meeting-** Was held last Thursday at Community Alliance Church. There was a presentation on Rural Broadband that will lead to a survey of Town residents in an attempt to verify what areas receive what internet services or options available. More info will be coming. We heard updates from CiviCure & HAYC3. We heard ideas on a Business Plan Challenge, the idea of honoring and celebrating with our older businesses in the area, getting local businesses to post on Google, working on the Hoosick Rising Web Page, putting together a Social Media team. We still need local involvement as we work to plan the future of our Hoosick area. If you care about the future of the Hoosick area and you have even a small amount of time you can contribute, now is the time to get involved, we need your help. Give us your e-mail address and we will include you in the informational e-mails that go out. If you would like additional information please contact Mayor Borge or Supervisor Surdam.
- **Hoosick Awarded Grant-** \$123,625 as part of a matching grant to be used to upgrade the mechanical room and the bath house at the Town of Hoosick Community Pool.

People To Be Heard

Keith Cipperly: Laberge Engineering question on bills

Kevin Allard: Village water

Tanya Brock - Presented Petition to the Town Board and read a prepared statement about an incident that happened through social media regarding Dave Sutton

Town Clerk's Report

- **December Clerks Report:** Total \$2,587.57 remitted to Supervisor: \$640.88
- **26 Brenenstuhl Rd:** Updated Bid notice will be in the paper Jan. 9th and Jan. 16th. The opening of bids to take place at the February Board Meeting.
- **Year End FOIL Report:** Total for 2014 was 69 foils.
- **Facility Use Requests**
 1. **Private Ice Rental-Benson** - Jan. 17th 2-4. Received \$50. Deposit, NO COI received.
Motion to Approve
Hyde made the motion to approve the Private Ice Rental pending receiving COI, Wysocki seconded, all ayes carried.
 2. **Cambridge Central School** Private use Jan. 24th 4-6 PM, COI Received. Rink Director, Kaila Matatt has invoiced the school.
Motion to Approve
Sutton made the motion to approve Cambridge Central School, Wysocki seconded, all ayes carried.
 3. **Kiwanis Club** - Free Skating for local children, Feb.14th (raindate Feb. 21st), 1-4 pm, COI received. They make a donation to Town.
Motion to Approve
Sutton made the motion to approve Kiwanis free skating, Hyde seconded, all ayes carried.

(Facility use requests continued)

4. **Friends of Skating** - lessons- Jan. 10th -Feb. 4th Sat. and Wed. only. COI received. They make donation to the Town.
Motion to Approve
Sutton made the motion to approve the Friends of Skating, Wysocki seconded, all ayes carried.
5. **Girl Scouts and First Baptist Church**-Free skating to public and girl scouts, Feb. 8th 3:30 to 5:30 pm. COI received. Both make donation to help pay for skating equipment. (Men's Hockey skates are needed).
Motion to Approve
Hyde made the motion to approve the girl scouts/Baptist Church, Wysocki seconded, all ayes carried.
6. **Private Rink Rental: Stefanovich** Feb.7th 150 people. For birthday party during public skating. Does not own home - no insurance.
The Town Board denied this Facility Use due to not having homeowners insurance and cannot be held during open skating time.

Surdam: Reminded everyone that any individual or group using a Town Facility must have Insurance and present a Certificate of Insurance.

Assessor's Report

Tony Rice reported all exemptions have now been mailed out. Deadline is March 1st.

Highway Superintendent's Report

- New Dump Truck - Start purchase and bid process
Motion to Approve
Wysocki made the motion to approve, Sutton seconded, all ayes carried
- Equipment - New F-550 Truck -will be ready mid-January.
- Advertise for bids: Sand, Fuel and Diesel return date Feb. 9th 3:00PM deadline
Motion to Approve
Sutton made the motion to approve, Hyde seconded, all ayes carried.

Town Historian

- Phil Leonard presented a 9 minute video about the Museum that was professionally done for the museum.
- **Thank You Phil**- We had a request to put the Town of Hoosick Historic Registry on our Town Web Site. When I asked about it Phil had the information to me by the next day. The list is now available at www.townofhoosick.org.

Recreation Report

- **Rink**- The rink is now open. Rink information is available at www.hoosickrecreation.com. Adding free skating session every Monday 4-6PM
- There will be a small concession of hot chocolate and some candy run by skating employees.
- **Hoosick Friends of Skating**- Sign ups continue. Please contact Sue Hyde 686-3371 or Kaila Matatt 686-4571 for questions.
- **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**- After meeting with the Town of Hoosick Kiwanis in November and sharing some thoughts on the Castle Playground, Wendy Larson expressed interest in the role of "Champion" for this project. The National Kiwanis organization has planning information for projects such as this and Wendy has already started looking into it. Additional information will be shared when we have it.

Supervisor Surdam's Report

- I met with Kaila and Rink employees as part of orientation as we prepared for the skating season.
- Set up combined meeting for January 21st with Planning, Zoning & Town Boards, Building Inspector Ed king, LaBerge Group, Linda VonDerHeide who is a Planner with Rensselaer County Economic Development and Planning. The purpose of the meeting is to continue to keep communication flowing between boards, review application of the new Site Plan Law, and to start the process for updating our Comprehensive Plan & Land Use (Zoning) Laws.
- Prepared for and held year end meeting.
- Attended swearing in ceremony for Jenn Hyde. Welcome Jenn!!!
- Jenn Hyde, Jeff Wysocki & I met with Judge Whalen, Judge Restino and Court Clerk Jan Kimball to complete yearly Town of Hoosick Court Records Audit. There is a check list that we follow; we found everything to be in order.
- Attended public hearing help by the Village Board on proposed closing of the Center St, RR crossing. There are a number of concerns that were brought up by Fire, Police and Rescue. Mike McCune,

- President of the Eagles Club had some concerns as well as some local property owners. I did state at the meeting that we as a Town share these concerns of closing this RR crossing.
- Attended Hoosick Rising Meeting- I would encourage everyone who wants to see positive changes and wants to be involved with any of all aspects of planning for the future of our area to please consider getting involved with this group.
- I have met with Mayor Borge and we continue to discuss Tax Cap and Tax Freeze issues and incentives and ways that we may be able to combine services to save time and money.

The Mayor has not only kept me informed on the Village Water but has encouraged me to help be a part of working with them as they search for the best solution in dealing with this issue. It is my opinion that to this point the Mayor and the Village Board should be commended for their leadership in trying to properly deal with this very complex issue. This is truly a Community Issue even if you are not connected directly to the Village Water System and I will continue to work with the Mayor and the Village Board as they search for facts and solutions in understanding and resolving the recent water issue.

- I attended the North Hoosick Fire Dept. Annual Banquet and Installation of Officers at the North Hoosick Fire House along with Town Clerk Stradinger, Deputy Supervisor Wysocki, Councilperson Hyde, many Fireman and Guest. The dinner was catered by Jean's Place and as always was excellent. There was a very moving Memorial Dedication to a longtime friend and Fireman Harold "Hoss" Jones who passed away in February of 2014. As pictures were shown of Hoss and his family in a power point presentation, Joe & Will "Goober" Steller sang "Live Like You Were Dying" in the background, very nice!! Ira Fisk who was the last remaining charter member of the NHPD was also honored by the Department. Ira passed away in November of 2014. Fire Chief Alan Bornt was honored by his Assistant Chiefs for his 30 years of service as Fire Chief. Town Clerk Sue Stradinger did the swearing in of the Fire Police and Paul Davendonis did the swearing in of the 2015 Officers. Master of Ceremonies Leo Surdam III was a delight, Magician Stephen Brundage was extremely entertaining, Pastor Mike Benoit finished the evening with a couple of bad jokes (not really) and the Benediction. I thank the North Hoosick Fire Department for the invitation, the acknowledgement of Town of Hoosick support and just a wonderful evening, Thank You and Thank you for all that you do for our community!!!

Town Council Reports

Deputy Supervisor Wysocki: attended NHPD Banquet, the Ag Stewardship contract with Philpott is now complete and in the Clerk's office.

Sutton: Responded to Tanya Brock's statement from beginning of meeting.

Hyde: Attended the free Health Fare at the Armory. It was a fantastic event.

Old or Ongoing Business

- **Resolution #38, 2015 NYS Police Agreement-** *Original agreement was not accepted by NYSP. We have a new proposed agreement.*

Motion to Approve

Sutton made the Motion to approve the 2015 NYS Police Agreement, Hyde seconded. Roll Call Vote: Sutton: aye, Wysocki: aye, Hyde: aye, Surdam: aye. Motion Approved.

- **Bond Anticipation Note (BAN)** - Notice of BAN sale going out this week. We should be able to have a closing in 2-3 weeks.

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- **New Estimate for Town Clerks Office-** Discussion and motion to approve a new estimate for security upgrades to the Town Clerks Office.

Motion to Approve

Wysocki made the motion to approve Granger Services estimate of \$4500. Sutton seconded, all ayes carried.

- **Pool Project-** glare issue discuss options - Director Matatt did not feel there was a glare issue, she has been a lifeguard at Our pool for many years. The Town Board decided to leave pool chairs where they are.

New Business

- **Resolution #39, 2015 Accepting the Court Clerk Audit report of 2014 records.**

Motion to Approve

Wysocki made the motion to approve resolution #39 Court Audit, Hyde seconded. Roll Call vote: Hyde: aye, Sutton: aye, Wysocki: aye, Surdam: aye. Motion Approved.

- ***St. Patrick's Day Parade Support-*** \$600 in the approved budget.
Motion to approve disbursement
Hyde made the motion to approve the \$600 disbursement on the Municipal Purpose Agreement, Wysocki seconded, all ayes carried.
- ***Resolution #40, 2015 Additional Inter Fund Budget Transfer Request for 2014***
Motion to Approve
Sutton made the motion to approve the budget transfers, Wysocki seconded, Roll Call Vote: Hyde: aye, Sutton: aye, Wysocki: aye, Surdam: aye. Motion Approved.
- ***Combined Planning, Zoning & Town Board Meeting-*** Set for Wednesday January 21st at 6:30 pm in **The Armory.**
- ***Letter to Rensselaer County IDA-*** Requesting financial assistance for the update of our Comprehensive Plan and Zoning regulations.
Motion to Approve
Sutton made the motion to approve, Wysocki seconded, all ayes carried.
- ***Lead Agency Designation Request-*** for a Village Sewer Project. With no reply from the Town we are Deemed to have no objection to the Village Board assuming Lead Agency.
- ***Association of Towns Meeting-*** Any interest in attending meeting in NYC February 15-18
- ***Upcoming Meetings-*** 1/21-6:30pm Combined Planning, Zoning & Town Board Meeting @ Armory. 1/26 7:30pm Planning Board Meeting @ Armory. 2/2- 7pm Zoning Board Meeting @ Armory. 2/3- 6pm Emergency Services Action Plan Meeting @ Village Hall.

<i>Bills Paid</i>	<i>Abstract 1-2015 Vouchers: 2015-1 through 2015-36</i>
General A	\$15,700.57
General B	\$1,442.02
Highway DA	\$52,590.57
Highway DB	\$12,851.11
Cap. Projects H	\$3,259.91
Trust & Agency	\$438.38
<i>Total:</i>	<i>\$86,282.56</i>

Adjournment

Wysocki made the motion to adjourn the meeting pending the signing of Vouchers, Hyde seconded, all ayes carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Stradinger
Town Clerk