

**Town Of Hoosick
Regular Meeting
October 11th, 2017 7:00 pm**

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Supervisor Mark Surdam, Eric Sheffer, Dave Sutton, Jenn Hyde. Absent: Jeff Wysocki

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

- **Reports-** Monthly Operating Statement, Abstract of Vouchers, and Revenues have been issued to the Town Board, Clerk, Highway Superintendent, Assessor and Recreation Supervisor.

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

- Keith Cipperly: Cipperly Rd litigation, commented on the unauthorized withdrawal of funds pertaining to him.
- Dave Lucus: Buskirk W.Hoosick Rd: He wants to see the entire town to be on a water system paid for by St. Gobain and Honeywell.
- Emily Sanders: Reminded everyone that there will be a referendum vote to increase the Library budget from \$45,000. To \$95,000.
- Kevin Allard: Commented on the rte 7 bypass that the right lane only is working from what he has seen. Has been there now for a couple weeks.

Correspondence/Announcements

- **Saturday, October 14th at 10am.** A walking history tour, conducted by Brian Bushner how the Boston, Hoosac Tunnel & Western Locomotive played an important part in the glory days of Hoosick Falls. Walk will start at the Southern End of the Hoosic River Greenway, Water Works Rd off of Carey Ave.
- **HFCS Capital Project Vote is next Tuesday October 17th**
- **CiviCure Wood Block Open House Saturday October 28th 2-4:30 at 1-5 Main St. in Hoosick Falls.**
- **CiviCure Farm to Canvas Art Lottery-** to benefit the restoration of the Wood Block Saturday October 28th 6pm at the Walloomsac Taproom of Brown's Brewing Company. The entire press release is available at www.townofhoosick.org .

Town Clerk's Report

- Total for the Month of September: \$20,008.50 Remitted to the Supervisor: \$2,172.86

Assessor's Report - Absent

Superintendent of Highway's Report

- Getting ready for winter

Town Historian

- New flyer on Warren Montgomery 1866-1940 – was the first of three major magnates of the hotel industry of NYC to have origins in Hoosick Falls.

Recreation Report

- **Reynolds/Gilchrest Skating Rink-** We are now accepting applications for Rink Guards and Instructors. Applications are available on the Town Web Site or from the Town Clerk.

Supervisor Surdam's Report

No report this month, I will include in next month's report.

Town Council Reports

- **Deputy Supervisor Wysocki - absent**
- **Councilperson Sutton**
 - Reminded everyone to go vote for the HFCS Capital Project on Oct. 17th.
- **Councilperson Hyde -**
 - Met with the Renss. Co. Chamber of Commerce. A group from the County visited some of Our businesses and were very impressed.
- **Councilperson Sheffer**
 - Attended many of the Town and Village events over the last month and a half.
 - The Rte 7 sign is in need of being repainted – it's in bad shape.

Old or Ongoing Business

- **Bath House Project-** We now have the authorization from NYS Parks & Recreation to move forward with this project but because of the delay we have to make some changes to the contract such as completion dates. **Laberge Letter & Resolution-** Authorization for Supervisor Surdam to execute construction change orders on behalf of the Town Board to the contract for changes that may come up through the bath house project.
- **Broadband-** We are seeing some encouraging signs that Broadband is coming. ***We all need to continue to work to raise awareness that this community wants High Speed Broadband Service throughout our entire town. We have been told it is important to keep the calls coming to Charter especially if you own a business. This is going to take a community effort, please keep making the calls to Charter Communication that the Town of Hoosick wants & needs Broadband Service.***
Bouncelynx has informed the LDC that it is providing services to Pine Valley Road and South St. homes. It is researching additional towers near South Street and the Countesses in East Hoosick.
- **Senator Marchione DASNY Grant-** Through the continuous efforts and support of Senator Marchione and her staff to the Town of Hoosick we have been notified that we are in line to receive a DASNY grant of \$975,000 to add a refrigeration system to the Reynolds/Gilchrest Skating Rink & Multi-Purpose Building. **Update-** We have received the estimate we have been waiting for from National Grid and it has been forwarded to DASNY.
- **Revaluation Project-** Project questions should be directed to GAR Associates by calling 1-866-910-1776. Project information will be posted on both the Town and Village web sites. **Update-** As of 8/22 GAR has collected the initial information on approx. 70% of the Town Parcels.
- **PFOA related contact information;** If community members have any questions, Department of Health staff can be reached between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm at these numbers:
For specific questions about potential health effects: Email: btsa@health.ny.gov, phone: 518-402-7800
For specific questions about the public water supply: Email: bpwsp@health.ny.gov, phone: 518-402-7650
For specific questions about private wells: Email: beei@health.ny.gov, phone: 518-402-7860
For specific questions about blood testing: Email: beoe@health.ny.gov, phone: 518-402-7950
In addition, The New York State Water Quality Hotline, 800-801-8092, is available, Monday-Friday 9am-8pm and Saturday 9am-3pm.

New Business

- **Resolution #47, 2017 Budget Transfer – Pool Improvement Project**
 - ***Motion to Approve***
Sutton made the motion to approve Res. #47, 2017, Sheffer seconded.
Roll Call Vote: Sheffer: aye, Sutton: aye, Hyde: aye, Surdam: aye. *Motion Approved.*

- **Resolution #48, 2017 Budget Modification. To adjust for PFOA Contamination related legal fees**
 - ***Motion to Approve***
Sheffer made the motion to approve Res. #48, 2017, Hyde seconded. Roll Call Vote: Sheffer: aye, Hyde: aye, Sutton: aye, Surdam: aye. *Motion Approved.*

- **Resolution #49, 2017 Budget Adjustments**
 - ***Motion to Approve***
Sutton made the motion to approve Res. #49, 2017, Hyde seconded. Roll Call Vote: Sutton: aye, Hyde: aye, Sheffer: aye, Surdam: aye, *Motion Approved.*

- **Penflex Service Award Program 2017-2018 Service Fee Agreement - To accept the Penflex, Inc. 2017-2018 Standard Services Fee Schedule and to authorize Supervisor Surdam to sign and return the agreement with the option of “Do Not Complete the LOASP Audit Package”.**
 - ***Motion to Approve***
Sheffer made the motion to approve, Sutton seconded, all ayes carried.

- **Skating Rink Project- Discussion by the Board:** on obtaining a professional opinion on the project cost and operating expenses once completed.
There is much more involved with having the refrigeration installed for the rink. The Commitment to keep it running is costly and the places that have it struggle to keep it going. The Board all agreed to contact the other rinks to get an idea of their costs before hiring a person for professional opinion.

- **Walloomsac Property Donation to Non Profit- Discussion** Owner of Graphitek on Rte. 67 in Walloomsac is interested in donating the property to a nonprofit and has been in touch with CEO out of Troy who contacted Supervisor Surdam. **Discussion by the Board** included finding out what type of programs CEO would offer.

- **CiviCure- Restore NY Grant Funding - To use the budgeted \$5000 to help offset the cost to write this grant.**
 - ***Motion to Approve***
Sutton made the motion to approve, Sheffer seconded, all ayes carried.

- **Resolution #50, 2017 Kiwanis Donation of \$1792 for Picnic Tables at the Castle Playground- to accept the donation and to modify the 2017 Town Budget accordingly.**
 - ***Motion to Approve***
Sutton made the motion to approve, Sheffer seconded, Roll Call Vote: Hyde: aye, Sheffer: aye, Sutton: aye, Surdam: aye. *Motion Approved.*

- **Resolution #51, 2017 Budget Modification to Accept Funding Assistance from Saint Gobain & Honeywell to Provide Technical Support**
 - ***Motion to Approve***
Sutton made the motion to approve Res. #51, 2017, Hyde seconded. Roll Call Vote: Sheffer: aye, Hyde: aye, Sutton: aye, Surdam: aye. *Motion Approved.*

- **Pool Gate-** The new gate to the outside chemical area at the pool has been completed by Chain Link Fence Connection.

- **NY State Comptroller Fiscal Stress Monitoring System Status Notification-** The rating scale is Significant Fiscal Stress, Moderate Fiscal Stress, Susceptible Fiscal Stress or No Designation; the Town of Hoosick for 2016 is No Designation. Complete report can be found at the NYS Comptrollers Web Site.
- **2018 Budget-** 10/5 Budget Workshop was held, 10/19 at 6pm Public Hearing for West Hoosick Fire Dept. Budget, 11/9 at 6pm Preliminary Budget Public Hearing @ Armory.
- **Lakes to Locks-** Request for \$500 in our 2018 budget. The Town will have it in the 2018 budget. The amount is the same as last year.

Executive Session- To discuss HAYC3 Lease negotiations, Cipperly Road Legal Issue and PFOA Contamination Issue with our Attorney's

- **Motion to Enter Executive Session 8:00 pm**
Hyde made the motion, Sutton seconded, all ayes carried.
- **Motion to Exit Executive Session 9:06 pm**
Hyde made the motion, Sheffer seconded, all ayes carried.

Scheduled Meetings

Zoning Board meets the First Monday of the month; **Planning Board** meets the third Monday of the month, both in the Court Room of the HAYC3 Armory. Meeting minutes are available online @ www.townofhoosick.org or from the Town Clerk.

Adjournment 9:09pm

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

Bill Paid Abstract: #10 Vouchers: 452-497

General A	\$18,172.29
General B	\$7,674.66
Highway DA	\$7,012.94
Highway DB	\$12,883.32
Fire Protection SF	\$2,250.00
T & A	\$5,691.50
<i>Total:</i>	<i>\$53,684.71</i>

*Respectfully submitted,
Sue Stradinger, Town Clerk*