

Agenda
Town Of Hoosick Regular Meeting
March 12th 2018

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

- **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.

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.

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V. Correspondence/Announcements

- **Hoosick Falls St. Patrick's Day-** Parade is this coming Saturday March 17th at 12 Noon. This year they will hold the Irish Festival in Wood Park, with Irish music, food, vendors and drink in the afternoon after the Parade.
- **Congratulations** to local resident Kate Logan who finished 2nd place in her appearance on Jeopardy.
- **Love Your Village/Village-Wide Clean Up Saturday April 21st 9am-1pm** in Hoosick Falls in Partnership with Saint-Gobain. Welcome Station at HAYC3 Armory Celebrating Earth Day Weekend.
- **Village-Wide Tag Sale-** Saturday, May 26th 9am-1pm. Get free map placement or request a space at the HAYC3 Armory by visiting HAYC3.org/tag-sale.
- **USDA Letter-** communicating the availability of their Single Family Housing Loan Programs, Home Repair Loan & Grant Programs and the Community Facilities Program. All of the information is on the Town web site.

VI. Town Clerk's Report

- **Facility Use Request-** HFCS Spring Sports to use Rink.
- **Summer Camp & Pool Pricing-** Discussion
- **New Email Address-** hoosicktownclerk@gmail.com
- **New Hours-**

Monday 8-4

Tuesdays 8-12

Wednesday 8-4

Thursday 8-4

Friday 8-4

Saturdays 8-12

VII. Assessor's Report

- **Revaluation Project- Timeline**

1. 2018 Assessment Notification Letters have been mailed & should have been received by all Town of Hoosick Property Owners.
2. Two short videos www.townofhoosick.org click on Boards & Departments under Assessor Right side of page. These videos have great information; video #2 is on top gives great information and direction for the next steps if you do not agree with your new assessment.
3. If you would like to see the comparable properties that were used to establish your assessment just below the videos on the TOH website click on Project and Information Forms then Public Access, enter your name, click on your property, then in the upper left corner pick comparables then Run Query.
4. The Informal Review Process is the Best Time to communicate any information you have to support requesting a change to your new assessment. ***You must schedule an Informal Review Appointment by March 16th.***
5. After May 1st Decision Notices will be mailed for those who went through the Informal Review Process.
6. May 22nd is Grievance Day for property owners who have gone through the Informal Review process and are not satisfied with the Decision. Contact Assessor Rice for additional information on this process.
7. July 1st Final Roll is submitted to NYS & Rensselaer County.
8. September 2018 the new assessments are applied to School Taxes.
9. January 2019 the new assessments are applied to the Town & County Taxes.
10. June 2019 the new assessments are applied to the Village Taxes if the Village Board adopts the new roll.

NEW REVAL PROJECT VIDEO- Please go to Town of Hoosick Web site www.townofhoosick.org to view this new video. As mentioned a 2nd Video has been added.

Project questions should be directed to GAR Associates by calling 1-866-910-1776.

VIII. Superintendent of Highway's Report

- **Cottrell Road Bridge- Motion to select Engineering Firm _____ to work with for the Town of Hoosick for the rehabilitation or Replacement of the Cottrell Road Bridge over the Walloomsac River due its Structural Condition through the Bridge NY Funding Program which provides 80% Federal and 15% State funding with only a 5% local match.**

IX. Town Historian

- **Phil Leonard-**
- **Bennington Battlefield-** We are seeking more volunteer docents for the upcoming season. We are happy to work with anyone who has a passion for history and a willingness to learn more about the battle. If you would like more details, contact David Pitlyk @ david.pitlyk@parks.ny.gov
- **Bennington Battlefield Upcoming Events-** <https://parks.ny.gov/historic-sites/12/hunting.aspx#events>
- **Friends of Bennington-** <http://www.benningtonbattlefield.org/> are looking for anyone who may be interested in making a submission for their upcoming newsletter. If you have an idea for an article please feel free to contact them.

X. Recreation Report

- **Rink Information** www.hoosickrecreation.com Season may be overⓈ
- **Phase 2 of the Pool Rehab Project is the Bathhouse-** The project is well underway to update the bathhouse that is nearly 50 years old. The project is expected to be complete in May.
- **2018 Pool Season**

XI. Supervisor Surdam's Report-

XII. Town Council Reports

Deputy Supervisor Sheffer-

Councilperson Hyde-

Councilperson McAuliffe-

Councilperson Hanselman-

XIII. Old Business

- **A spring 2018 PFOA follow up Blood Draw is being planned by NYS DOH.** Additional information will be provided soon.
- **A Spring Community Update Meeting is being planned.** Information will be provided soon.
- **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](tel:800-801-8092), is available, Monday-Friday 9am-8pm and Saturday 9am-3pm.

XIV. New Business

- **Budget Transfers-** none this month.
- **2018 Budget Modification- Resolution \$38,130 for Revaluation Project**
- **2018 Budget Modification- Resolution \$345,000 Pool Bathhouse Project**
- **Local Law #2 of 2018- Motion to approve Local Law #2 of 2018** Authorizing the Town of Hoosick to Accept Certain Payments via Credit Cards.
- **Local Law #3 of 2018- Motion to approve Local Law #3 of 2018** to Adopt Certain Benefits Under Section 458-b of the Real Property Tax Law Authorizing an Alternative Tax Exemption for Cold War Veterans.
- **Solar Law- Motion to approve Resolution # _____ of 2018** to hold a Public Hearing on the proposed Local Solar Law.
- **North Hoosick Fire Dept. Service Reward Program-** On February 25th 2018 the Town Board received via e-mail all of the 2017 Service Award Program Firefighter Records as supplied by the NHFD for review. **Motion to approve and certify the 2017 North Hoosick Fire Dept. Firefighter Records and Authorize Supervisor Surdam to sign and return the 2017 Sponsor Authorization Form.**
- **NHFD Service Reward Program Investment Account-** We are removing previous Board Member Jeff Wysocki and adding Eric Sheffer to the Morgan Stanley Account. Supervisor Surdam will remain on the account.
- **Pool Bathhouse Rehab Periodic Estimate No. 1-** Covering construction period October 18, 2017 through February 28, 2018 for \$86,885.96. **Motion authorizing Supervisor Surdam to sign and return under Owner Approval Periodic Estimate No. 1.**

- **Request for Special Meeting** to go into Executive Session with Attorney's to discuss questionnaire responses and other legal issues in ref to the PFOA Contamination Issue- **Date and time?**
- **Emily Sanders (Bookkeeper) - will be done working for the Town July 1st.** We need to begin the search for a replacement. **Discussion**
- **Governor's Office of Storm Recovery ("GOSR") Letter Dated February 14th, 2018-** Lead Agency Designation for Environmental Review of Uncle Sam Holding Company. **Motion to consent to GOSR serving as the lead agency for review under SEQRA and authorizing Supervisor Surdam to sign and return the consent form.**
- **Dog Control Building Request-**
- **Harassment Prevention Policies & Prevention Handbook-** NYMIR has encouraged us to adopt this and did send a Sample Policy for our review/use. Jonathan is working on customizing this for the Town of Hoosick.
- **CSEA FOIL Request-** was received in February seeking records of unrepresented employees. Attorney Schopf is following up with them on this request.
- **Town of Hoosick & HAYC3 Lease Agreement- Motion to approve 3 year Lease Agreement between the Town of Hoosick and Hoosick Area Partnership For Parents and Youth, Inc. (HAYC3) as presented to the Hoosick Town Board via email March 7th 2018 from Hoosick Town Attorney Schopf effective as of January 1, 2018 through December 31st 2020.**

XV. **Executive Session-** If needed.

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 pending the signing of Vouchers