

**Town of Hoosick  
Regular Board Meeting  
Monday August 10, 2015 7:00 PM**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Moment of Silence** for Mike Bornt and Board Member Jenn Hyde's Mother who passed.

**Roll Call:** Supervisor Mark Surdam, Bruce Patire, Dave Sutton, Jeff Wysocki. Absent: Jenn Hyde

**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).

**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

**Kevin Allard:** Presented the Town Clerk with 49 FOIL REQUESTS, had questions on tax cap.

**Keith Ciperly:** Questions on tax cap, Youth Grant, Texas Hold um at Armory, Highway worker working at pool.

**Paula & Robert Gannon:** Brenenstuhl Road issue – continued from last month. Junk on property across from them. The Town cleaned up that property this past spring.

**Correspondence/Announcements**

- **Garry Brown-** Browns Brewing requesting a sign variance to be able to place a sign at Rte. 22 & Factory Hill Road.
  - A special meeting will be held August. 24<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm to vote on a resolution permitting sign. Brown needs this before the next Zoning Board meeting.
- **Ken Lauren: Practice Wall for Lacrosse** to be installed somewhere at the athletic field. Sutton, Shiland and Lauren will figure out a placement where it is not interrupting any other sport.
- **HAYC3-** Upcoming Events Farmers Market, Texas Hold'em, The Basics of Bees and Bee Keeping, Community Bench Painting Project, Music & Art Festival and more.... Go to [www.HAYC3.org](http://www.HAYC3.org).
- **Email-** from Maureen McGuinness who is the Rensselaer County Chamber of Commerce Membership Manager ref great contact if someone in the area is interested in starting summer swim team program that would visit and have intermural type competition with other communities. See Supervisor Surdam if interested.
- **Email-** from Aelish ref Ann Baker painting two Benches by the Coach Baker area for the Painting Hoosick Bench Project.
- **Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser-** for Hoosick Falls Police Officer Nick Colaneri Saturday August 15<sup>th</sup> 5:30-7pm at the Hoosick Falls Fire House.
- **Hoosick Rising- *Hoosick Rising Wants You*.** If you ever thought about a way to get involved this is it!!! Our next meeting is Tuesday September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6pm at the Hoosick Senior Center on Church St. Check out our August update at [www.hoosick.org](http://www.hoosick.org) or [www.hoosickrising.org](http://www.hoosickrising.org).

**Town Clerk's Report**

- **July Report:** Total: \$9,487.50 Remitted to Supervisor: \$8,708.23
- **Facility Use Requests:**
  - **High School Football Team** to use the pool. Aug. 18, 20, 25, 27 7:15pm to 8:15 pm  
**Motion to Approve**  
Patire made the motion to approve the football team use of the pool on the stated dates and time, Surdam seconded, all ayes carried.
  - **Southern Vt. College Soccer** – use of pool for workout sessions charge is applied - \$60/per hour. Recreation Director, Kaila Matatt has COI, she has worked out dates and times in August with them.  
**Motion to Approve**  
Wysocki made the motion to approve the Southern Vt. College soccer use of the pool as stated above, Sutton seconded, all ayes carried.

**Recreation Report**

- **Summer Camp Bus Trip:** Director Kaila Matatt has requested a bus for Summer Camp to take a trip to Tiashoke Farm in Buskirk on Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>.  
**Motion to Approve**  
Patire made the motion to approve, the bus trip, Surdam seconded, all ayes carried.
- **Extended Pool Season:** The Board agreed to keep the Pool open through the Labor Day weekend.
- **Water Volley Ball:** Wednesdays 6:15 pm to 7:15 pm 16 years and up. \$2.00 per person.
- **Last week of Summer Camp** - 37 sign ups.
- **Pool Information & Updates-** will be available at [www.hoosickrecreation.com](http://www.hoosickrecreation.com) now and during the summer

**Assessor's Report**

- Mailing new owner Star exemptions, working with attorney on outstanding litigation, attending school in Latham, following up on building permits, data collecting.

**Superintendent of Highway's Report**

- Request Board Approval working with Peckham Industries for; Reclamation Project on Young Road \$12,096, 2.5" Cold Mix Base Project on Young Rd., Lee Lane & Kim Court \$34,429, Chip Seal Young Rd, Lee Lane & Kim Court \$14,362 for a Total of \$60,887. Part of CHIPS money.

**Motion to Approve**

Patire made the motion to approve The Highway Superintendent to work with Peckham for Reclamation Projection, Sutton seconded, all ayes carried.

- **Resolution # 70, 2015 NYSDOT & FHWA Local Highway Inventory**

**Motion to Approve**

Sutton made the motion to approve resolution #70 as stated, Wysocki seconded. Roll Call Vote: Sutton: aye, Wysocki: aye, Patire: aye, Surdam: aye. Motion Approved.

**Town Historian**

- New display - 1956-1984 photos of St. Mary's Smorgasbord

**Supervisor Surdam's Report**

- Attended Honor A Deceased Veteran Ceremony for Dick Whalen at the Rensselaer County Legislative Chambers.
- Held a Public Hearing to comply with the Community Development Grant Application for the Woods Brook Study that we are working on with the Village.
- Attended a one day Seminar for Local Officials put on by the NYS Office of the State Comptroller that covered "What to expect from an OSC Audit", "Developing an Effective Fund Balance Policy", "Financial Condition Analysis", and "Fraud Prevention and Detection". All topics are very relevant and very interesting.
- Attended a meeting at the South Glens Falls Office of Denise Palyo, Employee Benefits Supervisor Capital Financial Group, Inc. who works with us on our employee Health Care Insurance. Attorney William Ryan also attended the meeting as our first step in preparation of the Teamsters Negotiations
- Attended Teamsters Negotiation meeting.
- Marched in the Parade and took part in the Voice of the Vets, Vietnam Veterans Welcome Home Ceremony. It was a great day and a great event. Kudos to Gail Smith, Tom McMartin, Joyce Brewer and all of those who came out in support or sent all of the sandwiches that were enjoyed after the event.

**Council Reports**

- **Deputy Supervisor Wysocki** - received thank you from ASA for the Philpott Farm.
- **Councilperson Patire** - none
- **Councilperson Sutton** - The Voice of a Vet event was an extremely special day in Our community. Senator Marchione spoke very highly of our Town
- **Councilperson Hyde** - absent

**Old or Ongoing Business**

- **Consolidated Funding Grant-** For the project to update the Pool Mechanical Room (pump house) and the bath house. LaBerge has put together all of the information required and sent it to NYS Parks & Recreation. Additional information was requested, attorney Ryan has been working on. We are still waiting on approval to enter into the Funding Contract.
- **Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer Position-** This is a part time position requires approx. 3-4 hours per day, 3-4 days a week, some call in time, mandatory training required, with a budgeted annual salary of \$14,752. **Update-**We are now running an ad in the Troy Record and NYS Building Officials Conference Inc. (NYSBOC).
- **Baby Lane Clean Up-** Ed King after much effort has spoken to a representative from the Bank Owned Property who has seen the pictures and they have promised to clean up the site. **Update-** Baby Lane has turned into a health hazard. The amount of garbage combined with the summer season and the lack of response to clean up this property by the owner has allowed this area to become vermin infested. We have requested estimates from 3 local contractors to go in and clean up the property lot. We will then charge the expense through the County to the tax bill for this property. Review Estimates

○ **Bids for Clean-up Baby Lane:**

1. **Hoosick Sand and Gravel: \$5800.**
2. **Schmigel Excavating: \$4755.**
3. **McAuliffe Landscaping: \$4500.**

*Discussion:* Both Sutton and Patire were concerned about the rats that would scatter else where once clean up began. Thought the people in the area should be advised. Surdam said he will contact the Health Dept. tomorrow for them to come up and bate the property.

▪ ***Motion to approve Clean-up Bid***

Sutton made the motion to approve McAuliffe's landscaping as low bidder of \$4500. Patire seconded, all ayes carried.

• ***Resolution #71, 2015 Revision to State Police Rental Agreement***

***Motion to Approve***

Sutton made the motion to approve resolution #71 Revision Agreement to NYS Police Rental, Wysocki seconded. Roll Call Vote: Sutton: aye, Wysocki: aye, Patire: aye, Surdam: aye. Motion approved.

**New Business**

- **Town of Hoosick Housing Authority Board Member-** Vote to appoint Christina Kovage to fill the vacancy left by resignation of Mark Folgert. Term to expire Sept. 30, 2018.
  - ***Motion to Appoint - Housing Authority***  
Sutton made the motion to appoint Christina Kovage to fill the vacancy on the Housing Authority board term expiring Sept. 30, 2018, Patire seconded, all ayes carried.
- **Land Use Law-** Linda VonDerHeide, Principal Planner from the Rensselaer County Economic Development & Planning has offered to start helping us convert our law to a digital format that will allow us to place the Law on our web site and update as needed. Sue sent all of the information to her last week.
- **Updated Emergency Services Policy-** Still working on.
- ***Resolution #72 Budget Adjustment***  
***Motion to Approve***  
Sutton made the motion to approve resolution #72 budget adjustment, Wysocki seconded, Roll Call Vote: Sutton: aye, Wysocki: aye, Patire: aye, Surdam: aye. Motion Approved.
- ***Proposed Local No. 1 of 2015- #73, 2015 Schedule Public Hearing - Tabled***  
*Discussion:* The Board agreed to wait until after their budget workshop session to see if it is necessary.  
No public hearing was scheduled for this.
- ***Proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2015- Temporary Moratorium on Large Scale Ground Mounted Solar Arrays. #74, 2015 Schedule Public Hearing - Tabled.***
  - ***Discussion:*** The Board decided to table since they all agreed more information is necessary before proceeding. Public Hearing was not scheduled for this law.  
***> Public Hearing was scheduled for August 24, 2015 at 6:00PM as informational to discuss Solar farms and get more public input.***

**Meetings-** Zoning Board meets the First Monday of the month, Planning Board meets the forth Monday of the month, both in the Court Room of the Armory. Meeting minutes are available online @ [www.townofhoosick.org](http://www.townofhoosick.org) or from the Town Clerk.

**Adjournment**

Patire made the motion to adjourn the meeting pending signing of vouchers, Sutton seconded, all ayes carried.

**Bills Paid Abstract #8 Vouchers 353-404**

General A	\$23,195.85
General B	\$12,220.80
Highway DA	\$186.46
Highway DB	\$19,143.17
Cap. Projects H	\$39,758.03
T & A	\$4,324.75
<i>Total:</i>	<i>\$98,829.06</i>

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue Stradinger  
Hoosick Town Clerk