

**Town of Hoosick
Regular Board Meeting
Monday September 14, 2015 7:00 PM**

Pledge of Allegiance

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

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.

Recreation Report

Kaila Matatt gave the final pool report for the year.

Request for inline skating at the rink one night a week. Kaila told Matt Sprague a facility use form is needed for October meeting.

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

Paul Rovelli-owner of the Agnostic Church, North Hoosick: Explained to the Board he should not be taxed because the church is 501C3 exempt. Went to Senator Marchione - she gave him paperwork pertaining to the Home Rule Law, a request that the Town Board forgive the back taxes. This originated when Mr. Rovelli did not file his exemption by March 1st. Gave the Supervisor papers he received from the Senator.

Surdam: Will turn it over to the Town Attorney for further information on this matter.

Kevin Allard: Gave the Town Clerk 3 more FOILS.

Welcome: Karen Armstrong from Parkitects and Wendy Larson-Hoosick Kiwanis.

They presented to the Board Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Playground Renovation Project. Phase 1 focuses on 2-3 year olds - it consists of taking the boat and swings out and putting in a new play area with tube structure, swings and ground material. The cost is \$31,000 +/- covers installation and equipment. The equipment cost is based on State Contract pricing that is discounted. If you purchase under state contract you do not have to put it out to bid. Phase 2 is the castle area which is approximately \$45000. +/-

Surdam: Would like to have Phase 1 broken down by equipment prices and what services are covered and associated labor price. There is money already set aside for this project and will do one project at a time.

Sutton: Would like to check with other competitors for price comparison and a list of places where Parkitects have installed playgrounds.

Correspondence/Announcements

- **Bells Across America-** Sept 17th at 4pm in celebration of Constitution Day/Week. Information is on our web site www.townofhoosick.org.
- **CIVI CURE-** The Rolf Max Sternberg 5K Road Race Sat Sept 26th 9am at Wood Memorial Park info is available at www.civiculture.org or the Town of Hoosick website.
- **HAYC3-** Upcoming Events include but not limited to; Community Bench Painting Project, Hoosick Hullabaloo Music & Art Festival Sept. 25th-27th, Harvest Moon Dinner, Sat. Oct. 3rd. and much more!!! Additional Information can be found at www.HAYC3.org.
- **Walter A Wood Tractor & Agriculture Show-** October 3rd from 9-5 in Wood Park. Organizer is Kevin O'Malley 518-894-5035 or hoosickkid@gmail.com.
- **St. Mary's Cowplop Bingo-** October 11th this year
- **Hoosick Hootenanny-** www.hoosickhootenanny.com Presented by the Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation on Oct. 17th 3-8pm.
- **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 22nd, 6pm at the Hoosick Senior Center on Church St. Check out our August update at www.hoosick.org or www.hoosickrising.org.
- **Bennington Battlefield State Historic Site Invites Public Participation in a Historical and Archaeological Survey of the Battlefield-** Special meeting to present project to be held Sept. 22nd in the auditorium of the HFCS.

Town Clerk's Report

August report total: \$5,648.00 - Remitted to the Supervisor \$2,575.32

Assessor's Report

None

Superintendent of Highway's Report

- New truck is in at Delurey's waiting for insurance papers to arrive.
- Will be paving Young Road
- Rescind Resolution #70, 2015 that was passed at the August meeting, regarding the local highway public road report that was incorrect.

Motion to Rescind Resolution

Sutton made the motion to rescind resolution #70, 2015 due to error, Wysocki seconded, all eyes carried.

- **Resolution #84, 2015 Local Highway Public Road Mileage Inventory Report and submit to NYS Dept. of Transportation**
Motion to Approve
Sutton made the motion to approve resolution #84, Wysocki seconded, roll call vote:
Wysocki: aye, Sutton: aye, Patire: aye, Hyde: aye, Surdam: aye. Motion Approved.

Town Historian

Phil Leonard reported they have added 5 more names to the Veteran's Wall in the Village park.
Discussed new display entitled: Big Box Stores In Hoosick

Supervisor Surdam's Report

- started working on the 2016 Budget with Emily
- Held a Public Hearing on the Sign Variance request from Brown's Brewing
- Held a public meeting on Solar Farms

Town Council Reports

- **Deputy Supervisor Wysocki:** Met Shiland and Patire at Delurey's to look over the new truck. Still working with AFA in regards to the Philpott Farm – a new appraisal is needed.
- **Councilperson Patire:** Would like to put out to bid for a 2007 or newer single axle truck with 80,000 miles or less. Shiland will put together the spec's and advertisement to bid.
Question to Attorney regarding excessive foils becoming abusive, is there anything we can do? Also asked the Attorney what is the Home Rule Law Request?
Town Attorney Bill Ryan: responded to Patire and said no. **Attorney:** A person can ask a State Senator and Assemblyman to allow for a citizens relief in back property taxes under the Home Rule Law.
- **Councilperson Sutton:** Encourages everyone to get involved in the Community and School. Encouraged the HFCS Government Class to get involved with Hoosick Rising. In regards to excessive foil requests there should be something that says it's a form of harassment.
- **Councilperson Hyde:** thanked everyone for their support during her mother's passing.

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-** Three applicants. Hyde will work with Surdam in the interview process.
- **Baby Lane Clean Up-** Has been completed
- **Land Use Law-** Linda VonDerHeide, Principal Planner from the Rensselaer County Economic Development & Planning has converted our Land Use Law to a digital format that will allow us to place the Law on our web site and update as needed. Linda will now work on our map as time permits.
- **Updated Emergency Services Policy-** We will vote on this policy at our November meeting.

New Business

- **Reappoint Ann Bornt to Hoosick Housing Authority-** 5 year Term to expire Sept. 30, 2020.
Motion to Approve
Patire made the motion to reappoint Ann Bornt to the Housing Authority, Hyde seconded, all ayes carried.
- **Reappoint Terry Barber to Assessment Review Board-** 5 year Term to expire Sept. 3 2020.
Motion to Approve
Patire made the motion to reappoint Terry Barber to the Review Board, Sutton seconded, all ayes carried.
- **Resolution #73, 2015 Budget Adjustments**
Motion to Approve
Sutton made the motion to approve resolution #73, Patire seconded, roll call vote: Sutton: aye, Patire: aye, Wysocki: aye, Hyde: aye, Surdam: aye. Motion Approved.
- **Resolution #74, 2015 Budget Adjustment – With Correction**
Motion to Approve
Sutton made the motion to modify the budget figures of \$5,000. To \$4,500. and approve the resolution #74 with correction, Wysocki seconded. Roll Call Vote: Wysocki: aye, Patire: aye, Sutton: aye, Hyde: aye, Surdam: aye. Motion Approved.
Motion to Approve and Modify Budget
Patire made the motion to approve \$500. For tire removal at 10 Baby Lane, Sutton seconded. Roll Call Vote: Sutton: aye, Patire: aye, Wysocki: aye, Hyde: aye, Surdam: aye. Motion Approved.

- **Resolution #75, 2015 Rescue Squad Agreement**
Motion to Approve
Patire made the motion to approve resolution #75, Hyde seconded. Roll Call Vote: Patire: aye, Hyde: aye, Sutton: aye, Wysocki: aye, Surdam: aye. Motion Approved.
- **Resolution #76, 2015 Hoosick Seniors Agreement**
Motion to Approve
Patire made the motion to approve resolution #76, Wysocki seconded, Roll Call Vote: Patire: aye, Wysocki: aye, Sutton: aye, Patire: aye, Hyde: aye, Surdam: aye. Motion Approved.
- **Resolution #77, 2015 Brown's Brewing Sign Variance Request**
Motion to Approve
Patire made the motion to approve resolution #77, Wysocki seconded. Roll Call Vote: Patire: aye, Wysocki: aye, Sutton: aye, Hyde: aye, Surdam: aye. Motion Approved.
- **Resolution #78, 2015 Blighted Property Tax Levy - pertaining to 26 Brenenthul Road \$5,900 and 10 Baby Lane \$5,000**
Motion to Approve
Sutton made the motion to approve resolution #78, Hyde seconded. Roll Call Vote: Sutton: aye, Hyde: aye, Patire: aye, Wysocki: aye, Surdam: aye. Motion Approved.
- **Proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2015- Tax Cap Override**- the NYS mandated Tax cap for the 2016 Budget year is 0.74% NOT 2%. With the beginning of long term pool financing payback, the purchase of a new truck and a used truck for the Highway Dept. planning for future equipment needs and a proposed revaluation project staying below the NYS Mandated 0.74% Tax Cap will not be practical this year. We need to schedule a public hearing as a part of the Tax Cap Override Process.
- **Resolution #79, 2015 Authorize Publication Of A Public Hearing Regarding the Tax Cap Override To Be Held on the 22nd Day of October at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall.**
Motion to Approve
Sutton made the motion to approve resolution #79, Wysocki seconded. Roll Call Vote:
- **Resolution #80, 2015 To Support Upstate Revitalization Initiative- an Advisory Council has been formed called the CAPITAL 20.20 team to develop our plan to compete for \$500 million in economic development investments from the State. - Additional information on this initiative can be found at www.ny.gov/programs/upstate-revitalization-initiative .**
Motion to Approve
Wysocki made the motion to approve resolution #80, Patire seconded. Roll Call Vote: Sutton: aye, Wysocki: aye, Patire: aye, Hyde: aye, Surdam: aye. Motion Approved.
- **Resolution #81, 2015 Appointing A Solar Committee- As a part of the Public Meeting held on August 24th a number of citizens are willing to review this issue and report back to the Town Board by the end of April 2016. The Committee Members are: Councilman Jeff Wysocki, Larry Bugbee, Andrea Diel, Andy Beaty, Gary Kjellaard.**
Motion to Approve
Sutton made the motion to approve resolution #81, 2015, Hyde seconded. Roll Call Vote: Sutton: aye, Hyde: aye, Patire: aye, Wysocki: aye, Surdam: aye. Motion Approved.
- **Resolution #82, 2015 FEMA Flood Plain to Apply and Participate in the National Flood Insurance Program.**
Motion to Approve
Wysocki made the motion to approve resolution # 82, seconded by Sutton. Roll Call Vote: Wysocki: aye, Sutton: aye, Patire: aye, Hyde: aye, Surdam: aye. Motion Approved
- **Resolution #83, 2015 Establish Standard Work Day- for the purpose of reporting to the New York State Retirement System.**
** Tabled until the October 15th Board Meeting.
- **Request-** from Jolene Weidlich the GIS Manager for Rensselaer County for us to approve a new 911 Road Name of "Carson Way" on a Private Road that is part of tax parcel 36.-1-5-4. The easement is across the lands of Marjorie Herrington . Discussion: The Town Attorney will be doing additional researching on this matter.
- **White Creek Bridge Required Audits-** Request authorization to have Bonadio complete the first two of three; \$2,500 for Single Audit that is required when using Federal Funds and \$12,500 for a Regular External Audit to go with the Single Audit. There will be a third DOT required audit for this project with approximate cost of \$2000.-\$3000. Money for this is in the budget.
Motion to Approve Audit
Sutton made the motion to approve authorization to have Bonadio complete the required audits for the White Creek Bridge, Hyde seconded, All ayes carried.

- **Pool Cover-** Original estimate for cover with reel \$27,550 Board Discussion: would like to put this out to bid, they asked Shiland to get information together.
- **Penflex - North Hoosick Fire Department Retirement \$2,150. Bill to be Paid**
Motion to Approve
Sutton made the motion to pay the Penflex bill that was not included in tonight's vouchers, Patire seconded, all ayes carried.
- **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 or from the Town Clerk.
Emergency Services- meeting Sept 30th 6pm Hoosick Falls Fire Dept.

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn Meeting

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

Bills Paid Abstract # 9 - Vouchers 406-466

General A	\$19,011.61
General B	\$13,596.85
Highway DA	\$3,552.76
Highway DB	\$27,097.93
Cap. Proj. H	-----
Trust & Agency	\$25,259.70
Total:	\$88,518.85

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Stradinger
Hoosick Town Clerk