

**Town of Hoosick
Regular Board Meeting
Monday June 11, 2018 7:00 pm**

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Supervisor Mark Surdam, William Hanselman, Jenn Hyde, Absent: Jerry McAuliffe and Eric Sheffer

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

- Stacy Parker representing the residents of Mountain View Way addressed the board about the town taking over the care and maintenance of the road. Stacy states that as far as she can tell the road was created in the 1980's by the prior owner Jenny Leonard who owned 251 acres. Stacy also says that this has been asked of the town prior in February 1990 and the homeowners were told that they would have to bring the road up to town specs in order for them to consider adopting the road as a town road. Stacy states that there are many safety concerns with the road and in the winter time the post office will not deliver mail, garbage will not be picked up and no fuel deliveries will be done. With the heavy rains over a year ago, this washed out part of the road and left a few of the homeowners stranded that live at the end of the road. She states that there are now 14 homes and 1 cottage that is considered seasonal. Stacey does confirm that they all are part of an HOA. She did hand over to the board from the New York State Senate, Article 11 Section 315 regarding reimbursement of highway taxes to be used for the purpose of repair or improvements of the private road. Supervisor Surdam says that the board will take another look at it but does advise that a local law was passed in the 1990's regarding private roads.
- The Sherman's from Fox Hollow Road would like to know when ditching and drainage for the road will begin. There is still no plan in place and this was asked a few months ago to know what the Highway Superintendent's plan is. Again Bill explained to the Sherman's that the ditching would be done before fall. Right now they are busy doing mowing and other roads. There is no water flowing over the road that he can see and no one's yard is flooded with the excess water. The Sherman's ask that the Highway Superintendent let them know when this will be happening so that they are able to move plants that are in the ditch where

they may be digging. Bill told the Sherman's that they should move them now so that they will not have any issues with this once he starts doing the ditching.

Correspondence/Announcements

- **North Hoosick Fire Dept. Famous Chicken BBQ** Friday July 6th 5pm at the firehouse. Tickets are \$12 and are available from North Hoosick Firefighters or by calling 518-378-4538.
- Following the NHFD Chicken BBQ at 7pm July 6th the NHFD presents the musical group **The West Side Drive Band**, tickets are \$5 each.
- On Saturday June 2nd Carolyn Bachorz celebrated her 100th Birthday with Family & Friends. In honor of this milestone the Town Board designated the day as Carolyn Bachorz Day and presented her with a plaque.
- **Coach Baker Fund Weekend** at Brown's Taproom Saturday June 16th 5-9pm Food, Fun, Auction, Music, & Beer (cash bar). For Ticket Info call 518-605-4604.
- Chris Krahling from ASA is here to request Town Support for 2 applications to be submitted to NYS Dept. of Ag & Markets for the current round of PDR projects. Chris spoke to the board regarding properties of the Hoag Family and Mark Cottrell. This application is to protect the farmland for any further development. Supervisor Surdam is in support of this and will submit the letters this week.
- NYS Assemblyman Jake Ashby will be here Wed July 18th from 3pm to 6pm for anyone who would like to talk to him.

Town Clerk's Report

- Report for the month of May total: \$5,005.50 - remitted to Supervisor: \$4,023.78
 - **Facilities Use Request:**
 1. St. Mary's Academy to use the Athletic Field & Reynolds Gilchrist Multipurpose building for Annual Cow Plop, Bingo and Car Show October 7th.
 - **Motion to Approve**
Hyde made the motion to approve the facility use for St. Mary's Academy to use the Athletic Field & Reynolds Gilchrist Multipurpose building for Annual Cow Plop, Bingo and Car Show, Hanselman seconded. All ayes carried.
 2. Berlin Youth Commission- Session 2 Swimming Lessons 7/23-8/3.
 - **Motion to Approve**
Hyde made the motion to approve the Facility use for Berlin Youth Commission- Session 2 Swimming Lessons 7/23-8/3, Hanselman seconded. All ayes carried.

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- **New Email Address-** hoosicktownclerk@gmail.com
- **New Hours- the Town Clerks Office is now open on Saturdays!!! See new hours listed below.**
 - Monday 8-4
 - Tuesdays 8-12- **This is a change**
 - Wednesday 8-4
 - Thursday 8-4
 - Friday 8-4
 - Saturdays 8-12- New Saturday Hours!!!**

Assessor's Report

- Tony is preparing the final tax roll. All of the people that were part of the grievance process should be receiving letters from the board this week regarding the decisions on the properties.
- **Revaluation Project- Timeline**
 1. July 1st Final Roll is submitted to NYS & Rensselaer County.
 2. September 2018 the new assessments are applied to School Taxes.
 3. January 2019 the new assessments are applied to the Town & County Taxes.
 4. June 2019 the new assessments are applied to the Village Taxes.

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

Superintendent of Highway's Report

- Bill states that the Highway department continues to clean up, filling potholes on all of the roads, mowing etc. Bill states that the Cottrell Road Bridge is now red flagged and he awaits further instruction via email. 20 ton weight limit will be imposed on the bridge which does not affect the school or fire departments.

Town Historian

- Phil states that on June 28th, Mr. Winn will be coming to discuss care of the cemetery stones and plots. If anyone is interested please stop by the museum. He shared with everyone about the Hoosac Club and the 1901 and 1902 Circus.
- **Bennington Battlefield-** On June 16, 2018 at 11:00 AM Dr. Michael Gabriel will deliver a presentation entitled "Trophies and Loot: After the Battle of Bennington" at Bennington Battlefield State Historic Site in Walloomsac, NY. Drawing on his years of research, he will discuss the idea of plunder, how it fits into the American Revolution as a whole and the Battle of Bennington specifically. The program is offered in coordination with New York State's Path through History

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weekend and is free and open to the public. The event will be held rain or shine on the hilltop.

- **Other Bennington Battlefield Upcoming Events-** <https://parks.ny.gov/historic-sites/12/hunting.aspx#events>

Recreation Report

- **Pool Membership Application with pricing information is available from the Town Clerk or www.townofhoosick.org .**
- **TOH Summer Day Camp Application, Session Dates, Pricing Info is also available from the Town Clerk or www.townofhoosick.org .**
- **Swimming Lesson Registration is be held at the Pool this week, June 11th to June 15th 3pm To 5pm.** Swimming Program Coordinator is Katherine Danforth. Town Pool Phone # is 518-686-4083.
- **Summer Staff Appointments Pool-** Motion was needed to approve the following for the Town of Hoosick Pool Lifeguards: Lizza Ryan and Nicholas Houghton.
 - **Motion to Approve**
Hanselman made the motion to approve the Pool Lifeguards for the Town of Hoosick Pool, Hyde seconded. All ayes carried.

Supervisor Surdam's Report

- Spoke on the phone to Pete Lopez Region 2 EPA Director in reference to setting up a meeting.
- Attended the Memorial Day Services and Parade.
- Attended the Public Hearing for our proposed Solar Law.

Town Council Reports

- **Deputy Supervisor Sheffer:** Absent
- **Councilperson Hyde:** Jenn will be starting to work on and discuss the franchise agreements with Spectrum/Time Warner.
- **Councilperson McAuliffe:** Absent
- **Veteran Rep George Driscoll-** Absent
- **Councilperson Hanselman:** Was contacted by a resident in the Buskirk/West Hoosick area that Spectrum will be hooked up by the end of July in this area.

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Old or Ongoing Business

- **Phase 2 of the Pool Rehab Project is the Bathhouse-** The contract portion of the project was scheduled to be complete by now and mostly is. There are three items left on the punch list, one is a door that had to be special ordered, a light post base repair which will be finished when they come back to install the door, and a needed entry light switch that is a safety issue which was not a part of the design plans.
- **Pool Bathhouse Rehab Periodic Estimate No 4-** Covering construction period May 1st 2018 through May 31st 2018 for \$41,372.02. **Motion to authorize Supervisor Surdam to sign and return Owner Approval Periodic Estimate No 4.**
 - **Motion to Approve**
Hyde made the motion to authorize Supervisor Surdam to sign and return Owner Approval Periodic Estimate No. 4, Hanselman seconded. All ayes carried.
- **Rensselaer County Health Dept. Project Inspection-** They are requiring additional concrete work in the shower drain area to stop the water from running in against the building and directing all of it toward the drain before they will sign off on the project and issue a pool permit. They are also requiring we repair any trip hazards from uneven concrete slabs. **Motion to have Rick Taber make the required concrete repairs and to move the shower drain line to the new location away from the door.**
 - **Motion to Approve**
Hanselman made the motion to approve **Rick Taber to make the required concrete repairs and to move the shower drain line to the new location away from the door for \$3,800**, Hyde seconded. All ayes carried.
- **2018 PFOA follow up Blood Draw is being rolled out by NYS DOH** scheduled to begin in June. Supervisor Surdam has not been contacted on any exact dates for this. Blood draws will be available to everyone in the community previously tested or not, by appointment through Twin Rivers Medical on Danforth St. or Southwestern Vermont Medical Center. Additional information will be available very soon. There will be no charge for testing.
- **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

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For specific questions about the public water supply: Email: bpwsp@health.ny.gov, phone: 518-402-7650

For specific questions about private wells: Email: bee@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.

New Business

- **Budget Transfers-** None for the month
- **2018 Budget Modification-** None for the month
- **Town Employee Mandatory Safety Training for Blood Borne Pathogens, Workplace Violence, Sexual Harassment, and Right to Know/Global Harmonization is scheduled for June 19th at 3pm or 6pm here in the meeting room.** The presenter will be Joe Rupinski from Comp Alliance.
- **Executive Session-** Entered into executive session at 8:00 pm to discuss MLight Inc. and Town of Hoosick tax litigation.
 - **Motion to Approve**
Hyde made the motion to exit executive session at 8:14 pm and reconvene the regular meeting of the Town Board, Hanselman seconded. All ayes carried.
- **Resolution #51 of 2018 approving the assessment settlement between MLight and The Town of Hoosick.**
 - **Motion to Approve**
 - Hanselman made the motion to approve the assessment settlement between MLight and The Town of Hoosick, Hyde seconded. All ayes were 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 8:23pm

Hyde made the motion to adjourn the meeting with no further business and pending the signing of vouchers, Hanselman seconded, all ayes carried.

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Bills Paid Abstract #6 Vouchers 280

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| General A | \$ 55,574.75 |
| General B | \$ 9,736.68 |
| Highway DA | \$ 1,285.28 |
| Highway DB | \$ 23,475.92 |
| Capital Fund H | \$ 53,125.62 |
| Trust & Agency | \$ 6,551.48 |
| Total: | \$149,749.73 |

Respectfully submitted,
Holli Cross, Town Clerk

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