

**Town of Hoosick  
Regular Board Meeting  
Monday July 12, 2021 7:00 pm**

***Our Town Board meeting is open to the public with limited seating available. The meeting can be seen live via the internet at Zoom.com or the Hoosick New York Facebook Page, note there is a Facebook link through the Town of Hoosick Web- Site [www.townofhoosick.org](http://www.townofhoosick.org).***

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call:** Jerry McAuliffe, Eric Sheffer, Supervisor Mark Surdam, Jackie Houghton, and William Hanselman

**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.

- **We answered public questions throughout the meeting as they come in.**
- **Rescue Squad-** Austin St. Hilaire is the treasurer of Town of Hoosick Rescue Squad. He, along with leadership of the squad who is John Hudson and Deb Lohnes, identified three large projects that will need attention in the next 18 months. A new roof for the squad building at a cost of \$40,000, Backup generator, the current one that is at the squad building is over 30 years old and will require a new electric panel at a price of 60,000. The present ambulance is a 2007. A new one is over 200,000. A used or nearly new one is 100,000-125,000. We would like to purchase a new one. We do 84 calls a month on average.

**Correspondence/Announcements**

- None for the month

**Town Clerk's Report**

- **Monthly Report-**The Clerk's report for the month of June is as follows: \$ 30,953.50 and remitted to the Supervisor was \$30,283.51
  - **Facilities Use Request-**
    - Request to use Town of Hoosick fields for Youth Football.  
**MOTION**  
Sheffer made the motion to approve the request to use Town of Hoosick fields for Youth Football. Houghton seconded. All ayes carried.
    - Request to use the Wier/Reynolds Facility for Hoosick Falls Central School field hockey. They would like to use the turf at the rink.
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## **MOTION**

McAuliffe made the motion to approve the request to use the Wier/Reynolds Facility for Hoosick Falls Central School field hockey once the turf has been put down. Hanselman seconded. All ayes carried.

### **Assessor's Report**

- **Department of Taxation and Finance Letters.**
- Attending school this week (July 12<sup>th</sup> -July 15<sup>th</sup>)

### **Superintendent of Highway's Report**

- **Cottrell Road Bridge-** Nothing new on Cottrell Road until the fall. Fox Hollow Road will be starting on July 26<sup>th</sup> for grinding. Gravel will start next week as the grinding starts gravel will be ground in.
- **Wilson Hill-** Peckham will chip seal free if the town buys the stone.

### **Town Historian**

**No Report tonight, their Annual Meeting is tonight.**

### **Recreation**

- **Additional Pool Appointments-**  
**Admissions: Stephanie Stowell**

#### **MOTION:**

Sheffer made the motion to approve the additional admissions for the 2021 pool year. McAuliffe seconded. All ayes carried.

- **Sydney giving report-** Pool Officially opened on June 26<sup>th</sup> from 1-5 open swim, 5-6 family time.
- **Special Meeting-** A special meeting was held to appoint new pool manager and assistant manager on July 5<sup>th</sup> as Kim Brownell has taken a different job and is unable to manage the pool with her new job.
- **Swim Lessons-** Three 2 week sessions began on July 5<sup>th</sup>. If you missed the original sign up days additional sign-ups can be completed any day the pool is open.
- **Summer Camp** Camp is completely full for all weeks. Camp was overbooked for week two by 5 campers. Ashley is okay with this as long as it was okay with the Town. Town okayed all weeks to go to 65 campers.

#### **MOTION:**

Houghton made the motion to accept 65 campers for week 2. Sheffer seconded. All ayes carried.

### **Supervisor Surdam's Report**

- Attended Zoning Law Update Workshop.
- Held Special Meeting to appoint new Pool Manager & Assistant Manager.
- Agenda & July meeting prep.

### Town Council Reports

**Deputy Supervisor Sheffer-** Nothing for the month.

**Councilperson McAuliffe-** Nothing for the month

**Councilperson Hanselman-** Bill is a bit concerned because the turf needs to be put down for field hockey but summer camp is going on. He has to find someone who can do it and does not want to have to put down and take it up because of summer camp usage. He would rather the kids at camp not be in the rink area once the turf is put down.

**Councilperson Houghton-** Nothing for this month.

### New Business

- **2020 Inner Budget Transfer- All set**
- **Budget Modification(s)- All set**
- **Required Staff Training-** Workplace Violence, Right-To-Know- Chemical Safety, and Blood-Borne Pathogens. Comp Alliance Supplied Live- Virtual Video Conference Training. New Dates & Times have been emailed to all Department Heads.
- **Request for Camp Refund-** a camper was unable to attend first week of camp due to an injury. Requesting a refund for that first week.

#### MOTION

Houghton made the motion to refund the money for the camper. Hanselman seconded. All ayes carried.

- **Town Website Environmental Forms-** At the request of the Zoning Board we have set up a direct link to the forms at the NYSDEC website.
- **Rock Cut River Dumping-** Repeat of the last two years. This is not town property. This is Hoosac School's property. They will have to control the area.

### Old Business

- **On-Line General Town Code-** Attorney Schopf will make all of the necessary changes discussed at zoning. July 28<sup>th</sup> will be the next meeting.
- **Zoning Law Update-** Project is proceeding, no additional updates at this time.
- **Naturae, LLC ongoing odor issue-** Scheduled July 1st meeting was canceled as have other meetings that have been scheduled with the business. Eric suggested that a stop work order be put in place. Jonathan said that one already exists but can reissue it. If the business is not compliant with the stop work order, the board will discuss the next steps to take. Jackie states that the smell goes a lot further on either side of its location than originally thought.

#### MOTION

Sheffer made the motion to reissue the stop work order for Naturae, LLC. Houghton seconded. All ayes carried.

- **Woods Brook Project-** Project is proceeding; needed permits were received last week. Property owners still need to approve use of land for flood mitigation to proceed. This is on hold until complaint is resolved. Can do a memorandum of understanding.

- **EV Charging Station-** Project paperwork has been signed and submitted.
- **Legalization of Marijuana-** The town has received grants for drug free community. Eric mentioned that when grants were given the law was different then than it is now. What happens with this if we don't opt out? Not sure if we still receive the sales tax collected if we opt out. The law is still being interpreted and confusing as written. Maryanne states that we should opt out. This means no public sales. Grants for drug free community.
- **ARPA Funding-** Paperwork was sent and received a letter stating that we would be receiving \$345,358. Half of this would be received this year. The other half will be received in 2022. This money will need to be spent by 2024.
- **Stateline Riders Mass Gathering Application-** Received most of the list that the board has requested for issuing a certification except for the insurance. A public hearing will be scheduled before the August monthly meeting at 6:30. The board will need proof of neighbors who border the property within 500 feet that they have been notified of the event in writing and that they have received the notification. The proof of notification must be shown at the public hearing. All of the items need to be completed by the August meeting for approval as this will be the last meeting before the event.

**MOTION**

Sheffer made the motion to move forward with public hearing on August 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30. McAuliffe seconded. All ayes carried.

- **Rte. 67 Speeding Complaints-** County Legislator Bruce Patire arranged to have Sherriff Department put an electronic speed sign up in the area which will be followed by 2 weeks of targeted safety patrols.

*For specific questions about the public water supply: Email: [bpwsp@health.ny.gov](mailto:bpwsp@health.ny.gov), phone: 518-402-7650*

*For specific questions about private wells: Email: [beei@health.ny.gov](mailto:beei@health.ny.gov), phone: 518-402-7860*

*For specific questions about blood testing: Email: [beoe@health.ny.gov](mailto:beoe@health.ny.gov), phone: 518-402-7950*

New York State Water Quality Hotline, [800-801-8092](tel:800-801-8092), is available, Monday-Friday 9am-8pm and Saturday 9am-3pm.

**Scheduled Meetings-**

**Scheduled Meetings- Zoning Board** meets the First Monday of the month; **Planning Board** meets the third Monday of the month. These meetings are held at 7pm in the Court Room of the HAYC3 Armory. **The Planning Board meeting and the Zoning Board meeting will be held via ZOOM just as the regular monthly meeting was held.** Meeting minutes are available online @ [www.townofhoosick.org](http://www.townofhoosick.org) or from the Town Clerk.

- **Executive Session- None required.**

**Adjournment**

Houghton made the motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:06 pm pending the signing of vouchers, Sheffer seconded, all ayes carried.

**Bills Paid Abstract #7 2021 Vouchers 299-345**

General A	\$	17,481.87
General B	\$	5,320.01
Highway DA	\$	216.38
Highway DB	\$	19,838.49
Capital Fund H	\$	-----
Fire Protection	\$	9,129.60
Library	\$	-----
Trust & Agency	\$	<u>7,746.78</u>
Total:	\$	59,733.13

Respectfully submitted,

Ginny Blinstrub  
Deputy Town Clerk