

**Town of Hoosick
Regular Board Meeting
Monday August 8, 2022 7:00 pm**

Called to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

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

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.

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Correspondence/Announcements

- **Hoosick Township Historical Society-** July 2022 Newsletter is out featuring articles by Pioneer Fish & Game Club President Don McCabe, History of the Reynolds Family and Buskirk's

Town Clerk's Report

- **Monthly Report-**The Clerk's report for the month of May is as follows: \$4,589.50 and remitted to the Supervisor was \$3,865.18.
- **Facilities Use Request-**
 - Andrea Mook would like to use the pool for a birthday party on August 27th. However, the pool will be closing on August 26th for the season. Holli will contact her to see if she would like to change the date. Sydney also stated that she will reach out.

Assessor's Report

- **Report-** Tony stated that he went and picked up the final rolls on July 1st.
- Revaluation Project is underway. GAR mailed out information to all the commercial property owners. They will be mailing out information soon to all the other residents. More paperwork needs to be signed and Tony will get together with Mark to get this completed.

Superintendent of Highway's Report

- **Report-** June 15th Tory Hill Road was paved. Ditching is continuing. The highway used the roller on Cobble Hill Road, and this made a big difference. Paul stated that if they rent a roller and decide to buy it 90% of the rental fee goes towards the purchase price of the roller. The used roller price is \$29,700 vs a new one at over \$200,000. Cemetery mowing is being done

by the summer help and has been completed. Pool cover came off and pool area was cleaned up for the season. The town athletic field was mowed for the fire department event.

Town Historian

- **Report**-No report for this meeting.
- **Bennington Battlefield- Battle Weekend Reenactment is this coming weekend August 13th & 14th.** The Eastwick Press had a nice article last week outlining the weekend events locations and times.
- **Commemoration Ceremony Tuesday August 16th 7pm-** A formal ceremony will be held on the date of the Battle of Bennington at the Battlefield.

Code Enforcement

- **Report**- No report for this meeting.
- Lloyd has informed the Board that he has made a career change that will no longer allow him to keep working for the Town in his current capacity.
- **Code Enforcement & Building Inspector Position-** Eric suggested the board meet with Lloyd to do an exit interview with him and to also get a better description of the position. Supervisor Surdam will set this up with him.

Recreation

- **Ashley St Onge Summer Camp** – The camp permit has been received. The first week of camp was successful. They ended with a Luau with all the kids. Second week is off to a good start. There were a couple of kids that could not attend this week, but the spots have since been filled. Window has been fixed. Thank you to Paul for all his assistance, it has been appreciated.
- **Sydney Stowell Pool-** Pool permit has been received. There are 3 new lifeguards and 4 lifeguards that recertified over the weekend. Swimming lesson session 1 started July 11, this session has 163 children. Session 2 and 3 are still available for signups if anyone is still interested. Pre-K level is full. The pool opened on June 27 and there has been an average of 17 morning swimmers and 95 participants at the pool since opening. The pool had to shut down due to short staff but expects after this week that this will be all behind them, with the increase in lifeguards and the many vacations along with parties ending. Vending machines were too expensive so there are no more vending machines. The pool will buy water to sell, and a refrigerator will be put in to sell.

Supervisor Surdam's Report

- Final walkthrough on upstream Woods Brook project we completed with the Village.
- Worked on the CHIPS funding issue.
- I attended and participated in the Rensselaer County Flood Study - Review of Hydraulics Analysis webinar.

- Met with Ashley & Sydney for pre-opening review of summer camp and the pool.
- I virtually attended the CDTC Policy Board Meeting.

Town Council Reports

Deputy Supervisor Sheffer- Eric wanted to thank Dave Sutton and his crew for the cleanup of the Island again this year. He asked if there was a way to pay him for his time and his crew’s time since he has done the clean up two years in a row. Eric also asked about the no littering/no dumping signs which is on the agenda to discuss.

Councilperson McAuliffe- Jerry stated that he spoke with Laporte’s in North Hoosick and there does not seem to be any other issues thus far. Zoning board is still looking for one more person.

Councilperson Hanselman- Nothing for the month

Councilperson Houghton- Nothing for the month

New Business

- **2022 Inner Budget Transfers- Motion** to approve as presented.
- **2022 Budget Modifications-**

Resolution # 50 of 2022 to accept Summer 2022 American Rescue Plan Act Local Recovery Funds totaling \$173,384.08 and transferring the funds to the Highway Department for road repairs.

MOTION

McAuliffe made the motion to accept Summer 2022 American Rescue Plan Act Local Recovery Funds totaling \$173,384.08 and transferring the funds to the Highway Department for road repairs. Sheffer seconded the motion. All ayes carried.

Resolution #51 of 2022 to accept the \$500 Donation from the WGY Christmas Wish Program for the Town of Hoosick Summer Camp Program.

MOTION

Hanselman made the motion to accept the \$500 Donation from the WGY Christmas Wish Program for the Town of Hoosick Summer Camp Program. McAuliffe seconded the motion. All ayes carried.

Resolution # 52 of 2022 to accept the \$350 from the Hoosick Provisions General Store Tip Jar for the Town of Hoosick Summer Camp Program.

MOTION

Sheffer made the motion to accept the \$350 from the Hoosick Provisions General Store Tip Jar for the Town of Hoosick Summer Camp Program. Houghton seconded the motion. All ayes carried

- **Teamsters Contract – Resolution #53** of 2022 to approve a new 3-year Term of Agreement with the Town of Hoosick Teamsters Local 294 beginning January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2025 with the modifications agreed to.

MOTION

- Sheffer made the motion to approve the new 3-year Term of Agreement with the Town of Hoosick Teamsters Local 294 beginning January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2025, with the modifications agreed to. Hanselman seconded the motion. All ayes carried.
- **Illegal Dumping Signs-** Eric stated that signs are \$65-75 per sign. He suggested that these be put on at least three of the town’s busiest roads. Supervisor Surdam suggested to spend up to \$1,000 on the signs. Verbiage on the sign will need to coincide with the town’s local law.

MOTION

McAuliffe made the motion to approve the \$1,000 to purchase illegal dumping signs. Hanselman seconded the motion. All ayes carried.

- **Park Bench- On behalf of the McGuire Family Kevin O’Malley** has requested permission to place a bench at the Town of Hoosick Athletic Field in memory of Isabell McGuire.

MOTION

Sheffer made the motion to approve the placement of a park bench on the Town of Hoosick athletic field in memory of Isabell McGuire. McAuliffe seconded the motion. All ayes carried.

- **Gooding Farm 22420 Sate Route 22- New York State Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Letter dated June 24th, 2022**, announcing the State Review Board has listed the property on the State Register of Historic Places and will now forward the nomination to the Keeper of the National Register in Washington, D.C.
- **Review & Confirm 2023 Budget Dates-** The board reviewed all of the dates for the upcoming fiscal year. Wednesday, October 12th was decided for the October reschedule date.
- **July 20th letter from the Office of Cannabis Management- Review & Discussion.**
- **2023 Annual Meeting & Training School Update Letter**
- **Capital District Tobacco-Free Communities Flyer ref making ALL municipal property Tobacco-, smoke- and vape free.**

Old Business

- **Zoning Law re-writes update-** Still reviewing. Not ready to move forward.
- **\$925,000 Recreation SAM Grant-** Everything is complete on our end. Recent Update- we have heard from the DASNY in response to Supervisor Surdam’s email and we have been told we are still waiting for final approval.
- **Town of Hoosick Road Asset Management Plan Scope of Work Draft-** No update tonight.

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

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 or from the Town Clerk.

- **Executive Session- Walloomsac Metal Recycling complaint/Personnel Issue**
MOTION (8:00pm)
McAuliffe made the motion to move into executive session to discuss Walloomsac Metal Recycling complaint and personnel issue. Hanselman seconded the motion. All ayes carried.

Houghton made the motion to exit executive session at 8:18pm. McAuliffe seconded the motion. All ayes carried.

Adjournment

Hanselman made the motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:19 pm pending the signing of vouchers, McAuliffe seconded the motion. All ayes carried.

Bills Paid Abstract #7 2022 Vouchers 381-431

General A	\$	16,171.09
General B	\$	11,905.53
Highway DA	\$	-----
Highway DB	\$	39,692.34
Capital Fund H	\$	3,200.00
Fire Protection	\$	-----
Library	\$	-----
Trust & Agency	\$	<u>2,140.35</u>
Total:	\$	73,109.31

Respectfully submitted,

Holli Cross
Town Clerk