

**Town of Hoosick
Regular Board Meeting
Monday March 14, 2022 7:00 pm**

Called to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Jerry McAuliffe, Eric Sheffer, Supervisor Mark Surdam, and 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.

- **We answered public questions throughout the meeting as they come in.**

Correspondence/Announcements

- No correspondence or announcements for the month

Town Clerk's Report

- **Monthly Report-**The Clerk's report for the month of January is as follows: \$ 643.50 and remitted to the Supervisor was \$401.
- **Facilities Use Request-**
 - Hoosick Falls Central School Boys and Girls Lacrosse would like to use the rink March 16-31 from 2:30 to 7:00pm until they are able to use the fields.
MOTION
Sheffer made the motion to approve the request for Hoosick Falls Central School Lacrosse to use the rink March 16-31 from 2:30-7:00pm. Houghton seconded. All ayes carried.
- **Louis Miller Museum-**Joyce sent an email to inquire about using the parking lot at the rink for parking for the open house at the museum. This was approved by the board for the museum to use the parking lot.
- **COVID-19 Rapid Test Pick-Up-** Kits are available at the Town Clerks Office during normal business hours.

Assessor's Report

- **Report-** Deadline for exemptions has passed and Tony and Dick are adding the exemptions into the system. Gar will start the update in July to keep the town at 100% equalization rate.

- **Post Reassessment Implementation Plan** -This was approved by the Town Board at the January 2022 meeting. Assessor Rice, Supervisor Surdam and David Barnett GAR Associates, LLC have scheduled an initial call for Thursday this week to review and discuss the plans outline.
- **2022 Tentative Telecommunications Ceilings Letter**- the value on this went up to 113,000

Superintendent of Highway's Report

- **Report**- Paul reported that there was another storm cleanup. He states that they have used a lot of salt this year (600 ton of salt). CHIPS check has been received. He will be attending the Cornell workshop on March 24th. Plan on ditching and pothole work in the next couple of weeks.
- **Computer System Update**- New computer has been installed.

Town Historian

- Phil states that he did not do a project this month for the meeting. He did say that the Jr. Historians were at the museum with Katie Brownell. Anyone interested can join that is from age 5-12. Phil announced his resignation at the December meeting and is still willing to help locate someone for the historian position.

Code Enforcement

- Lloyd handed in a report of activities for the month. He has issued two permits and handled 3 complaints.
- Naturae LLC- this is headed to court on 3/24. Site visit has been conducted on 3/10 and no byproducts are being stored on the east side of the building.
- Town Sign Law-This law needs to be looked at and updated. Last update was 2006 and has very vague verbiage about on premise advertising.

Recreation

- **Weir/Reynolds Skating Rink- Report from Manager Ayla Senecal** - February the rink was open 15 days and closed for 13. There were 446 children and 223 adults. There were 535 skate rentals. Rink is now closed. Last day of the season was March 5th.
- **Summer Camp Fees for 2022**- Summer camp prices for the 2022 season will be \$120 per week for campers and AM/PM care will be \$30.

MOTION

McAuliffe made the motion to approve the Summer Camp prices for 2022. Hanselman seconded. All ayes carried.

- **Pool & Swim Lesson Fees for 2022**- pool prices will remain the same for the 2022 season.

MOTION

McAuliffe made the motion to approve the 2022 pool prices. These prices will remain the same as the 2021 prices. Hanselman seconded. All ayes carried.

- **Zamboni**- J&C Ice Technologies Inc. sent in a proposal for a used Zamboni ice resurfacers. It is a Model 500 Serial #6644. Machine price is \$21,500 sold as is. There are available

upgrades to the proposal if the town would like to take advantage of them. Some of the board members have a few follow up questions and would like to have them answered.

Supervisor Surdam's Report

- Assessor Rice and I met with David Barnett from GAR Associates, LLC in ref to the town wide "Reassessment Update Project".
- Virtually attended the monthly Community Participation Work Group (CPWG) meeting.
- We held our second American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) workshop.
- Virtually attended the Capital District Transportation Committee (CDTC) Policy Board meeting.
- Reviewed and signed the Agreement with BPAS Actuarial and Pension Services, LLC for completing the required GASB 75 Retirement updates.
- Worked on meeting prep and the agenda.

Town Council Reports

Deputy Supervisor Sheffer- Trying to get the Comprehensive Plan going. Stakeholder portion needs to be finished by summer. Eric has been working with Tony for a list of business owners. There will be a couple of weeks that there will be visits with the owners, it is set for the last week in April and the first week in May. There will be afternoon sessions and night sessions available.

Councilperson McAuliffe- Trains have been coming through with no problems and no complaints from the surrounding neighbors.

Councilperson Hanselman- None

Councilperson Houghton- None

New Business

- **2021 Inner Budget Transfer- Motion to approve inner budget transfers as per request.**
MOTION
Sheffer made the motion to approve inner budget transfers as requested. Houghton seconded. All ayes carried.
- **Castle Playground Graffiti-** There has been complaints about graffiti at the playground. There was someone that offered to paint over the graffiti and we would supply the paint for this person.

Supervisor Surdam stated he would follow up with them to see if they are still interested in doing this.

- **Comp Alliance \$500 refund-** this check is for no accidents throughout the year.

Old Business

- **On-Line General Town Code-** The public hearing is scheduled for the April meeting at 6:45 for the adoption of the General Town Code. This will be heard right before the regular scheduled meeting.
- **Zoning Law Update-** Still working on this.
- **Town of Hoosick Comprehensive Plan-** A tentative meeting has been set for the continuation of the Comprehensive plan for Wednesday, April 27th at 6:00pm
- **ARPA Funding- 2nd Workshop was held Tuesday March 1st** –Armory will receive \$26,000 for new doors and \$7,100 to install heat pump in court room. Historical Society will receive \$10,000 for a story board signs. (Town locations) Hoosick Senior Center will receive \$2,000 for new chairs. Youth Center will receive \$4,000 for emergency fire door and \$26,150 for handicap walkway entrance. Town of Hoosick Rescue will receive \$30,000 towards capital project. Hoosick Local Development Corp will receive \$25,000. Town of Hoosick non-elected full time employees as of January 2021 will receive \$1,000 each and non-elected part time office employees as of January 2021 will receive \$500 each.

MOTION

Sheffer made the motion to accept the disbursements as agreed on at workshop. Houghton seconded. All ayes carried.

- **2022-2023 CDTC Unified Planning Work Program Transportation Planning Project Proposal** has been submitted requesting funding assistance in creating an Asset Management Capital Plan for Town of Hoosick Roads as part of the New Visions 2050 Federal Program. Proposal will be voted on at the next meeting.
- **GASB 75 Update-** The Agreement with **BPAS Actuarial and Pension Services, LLC** has been signed and will bring us up to date through 2022. BPAS will provide a report that is completed in accordance with actuarial practices outlined in the GASB 75 Standard. Services will include;
 - Determination of Total OPEB Liability (TOL).
 - Determination of Actuarially Determined Contribution and OPEB Expense. 10 Year projection of benefit payment cash-flow. Rae brought up the fact that they are now working on GASB 84. Mark will look into this.

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- To seek legal advice in reference to the ongoing odor issue at Naturae, LLC and personnel issue.**

MOTION

The board entered into executive session at 7:40pm. Houghton made the motion to enter into executive session. McAuliffe seconded.

Exit of executive session 8:32 pm

MOTION

McAuliffe made the motion to exit executive session and resume normal meeting. Sheffer seconded. No Decision.

Adjournment

Sheffer made the motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:32 pm pending the signing of vouchers, McAuliffe seconded, all ayes carried.

Bills Paid Abstract #3 2022 Vouchers 110-159

General A	\$	17,552.35
General B	\$	11,603.62
Highway DA	\$	1,350.18
Highway DB	\$	77,221.15
Capital Fund H	\$	-----
Fire Protection	\$	-----
Library	\$	-----
Trust & Agency	\$	<u>422.92</u>
Total:	\$	108,150.22

Respectfully submitted,

Holli Cross
Town Clerk