

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

Called to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Jerry McAuliffe, Supervisor Mark Surdam, and William Hanselman, Jackie Houghton. Eric Sheffer was absent from the meeting.

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.

- **No Public Comments**

Correspondence/Announcements

- Hoosick Township Historical Society November newsletter is available. There is a raffle for a 48" X 64" Christmas Quilt Handcrafted by Diane Ahrberg. Information is available at www.HoosickHistory.com .
- Bennington Battlefield Event- An Afternoon with the filmmakers behind Benedict Arnold: Hero Betrayed, November 13th at 2pm 30 Caretakers Rd. Additional Info is available from David Pitlyk at david.pitlyk@parks.ny.gov or 518-860-9094.
- There will be a tree lighting in the park on November 25th
- The Armory is hosting small business Saturday on November 26th. The Historical Society will have an open house on November 26th from 10-4.

Town Clerk's Report

- **Monthly Report-**The Clerk's report for the month of October is as follows: \$10,995.25 and remitted to the Supervisor was \$1,297.44
- **Facilities Use Request-** None for the month

Assessor's Report

- **Report-** Tony states that he is out data collecting with the new data manager. Tiffany is training to be the new assessor for the Town of Hoosick once Tony retires. Numbers have been submitted to GAR. Everything is on schedule with the revaluation.

Superintendent of Highway's Report

- **Report-** Plows and sanders are all on the trucks and ready to go. Calcium equipment is in. Brush has been cut and 3/10ths of Lower Pine Valley Road has been completed. There was an equipment issue that is being resolved. Eric will provide Paul with the contact information for County shared services. There also was an issue with the cell phone but it has been resolved and is back working.

Town Historian

- **Report-** Rick was not available for the meeting.

Code Enforcement

- **Report-** No report for this month.
- **Code Enforcement & Building Inspector Position-** Interviews have been completed and a decision to appoint will be completed.

Recreation

- **Appointments- Motion to appoint for the 2022/2023 Skate Season.**
- Ayla Senecal as Rink Manager.

MOTION

Houghton made the motion to approve Ayla Senecal as rink manager for the 2022/2023 skate season. Hanselman seconded the motion.

- Returning rink personnel William Sparks, Alexander Spur, and Jordan Hill.

Maintenance- Tom Marciotta & Nick Houghton (Note) Tom cannot be on the ice this year, so we are looking for someone to assist Nick with making ice.

MOTION

Houghton made the motion to approve returning rink personnel for the 2022/2023 skate season. Hanselman seconded the motion.

McAuliffe made the motion to approve Nick Houghton as maintenance for the ice for the 2022/2023 skate season. Hanselman seconded the motion. Jackie Houghton recused herself from the vote.

Supervisor Surdam's Report

- We held the West Hoosick and Buskirk Fire Dept Public Hearing for their budgets.
- We held Land Use Workshop with Zoning Board.
- I virtually attended a class on Short Term Rentals.
- I attended the Fall Planning and Zoning Training Workshop at HVCC.
- We held a Public Hearing in the Armory for the 2023 Town Budget.

Town Council Reports

Deputy Supervisor Sheffer- The Halloween parade for the kids was a big hit this year. Hoosac school brought over students to help with the little kids during the parade. The dumping sign has several choices, and the board would need to decide on what they would like for wording on them.

Councilperson McAuliffe- Jerry wanted to mention that the Village is doing Toys for Joy and wanted everyone to know that toys can be dropped off over in the Village. Jerry also mentioned that there will be food baskets for Thanksgiving and Christmas that will be distributed. Food donations along with money donations can be accepted at the food pantry.

Councilperson Hanselman- Nothing for the month.

Councilperson Houghton- Jackie mentioned the party for the Veterans. She stated that it was nice to see this.

New Business

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

MOTION

Houghton made the motion to approve the 2022 Inner Budget Transfers as presented.

Hanselman seconded the motion. All ayes carried.

- **Noise Complaint-**A complaint was filed with the Town of Hoosick regarding a business that was working outside of business hours. Discussion among the board reiterated that the complainant should call the New York State Police or Rensselaer County Sheriff's Department and file the complaint with them.
- **Falls Motel Complaint-**Garrett Wright was present and discussed with the board what is happening with the Falls Motel. He stated that he had to evict the tenants out of the building first in order to start the demolition and reconstruction of the building. He is hopeful that once it is finished it will be more attractive to everyone and he would be able to get people in the apartments once it has been renovated.
- **2023 Town Budget- Motion to approve the 2023 Town of Hoosick Budget.**

MOTION

Sheffer made a motion to approve the 2023 Town of Hoosick Budget. Houghton seconded the motion. All ayes carried.

- **A Local Law Providing for Adopting the Minimum Standards for Administration and Enforcement of the Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code and the State Energy Conservation Construction Code. Motion to Approve Resolution No. 54** of 2022 to hold a Public Hearing on the new proposed Local Law on December 12th, 2022, at 6:50pm in the meeting room of the Armory 80 Church St. Hoosick Falls, NY.

MOTION

Houghton made the motion to approve **Resolution No. 54** of 2022 to hold a Public Hearing on the new proposed Local Law on December 12th, 2022, at 6:50pm in the meeting room of the Armory 80 Church St. Hoosick Falls, NY pertaining to **Local Law #3 of 2022 Providing for Adopting the Minimum Standards for Administration and Enforcement of the Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code and the State Energy Conservation Construction Code**. Sheffer seconded the motion. All ayes carried.

- **CPO Recertification Request-** Tom Marciotta has asked if the Town of Hoosick would be willing to Sponsor and pay for his CPO Re-certification through Pool & Spa Rx at a cost of \$425. **Motion**

MOTION

Sheffer made the motion to approve CPO Re-certification for Tom Marciotta through Pool & Spa Rx at a cost of \$425. Hanselman seconded the motion. All ayes carried.

- **Phone System Follow Up-** Jackie Berry sent a follow up email to confirm issues have been resolved. The phone system is working properly at this time.
- **Economic Development Funding Alert-** The board discussed this, and it was mentioned that it should go onto the website. Afterwards, Sheffer stated that we had not heard back from LaBerge, and we needed to reach out to them to get the Comprehensive Plan moving forward. It was also mentioned that we should maybe have quarterly workshops that incorporate the Village, Town, School, and Community Groups to discuss any needs.
- **Building Inspector & Code Enforcement Position-**There is an interview set up and we will be moving forward with this position.

Old Business

- **Zoning Law re-writes update- New Workshop date is set for December 14th at 6pm.** We will ask members of the Zoning and Planning Board to attend. The Workshop is also open to the public.
- **\$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. **No Updates to report.**
- **Town of Hoosick Road Asset Management Plan Scope of Work Draft-** Mark, Eric and Jerry did meet with CDTC Executive Director Sandy Misiewicz on Tuesday October 11th. There was no response to the initial request for project bids. We will look into redrafting and rebidding.
- **Cannabis Onsite and Moratorium-** Attorney Schopf will draft a resolution for the December meeting and a public hearing will be held in January.

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- None required.**

Adjournment

Houghton made the motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:09 pm pending the signing of vouchers, McAuliffe seconded the motion. All ayes carried.

Bills Paid Abstract #11 2022 Vouchers 534-586

General A	\$	57,780.90
General B	\$	11,834.90
Highway DA	\$	8,743.82
Highway DB	\$	125,029.73
Capital Fund H	\$	3,165.00
Fire Protection	\$	2,500.00
Library	\$	-----
Trust & Agency	\$	<u>3,797.18</u>
Total:	\$	212,851.53

Respectfully submitted,

Holli Cross
Town Clerk