

**Town of Hoosick
Regular Board Meeting
Monday June 10, 2019 7:00 pm**

Pledge of Allegiance

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

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.

- **Rick Tinkham-** representing HAYc3 to provide an update and answer any questions people had about HAYc3.
- **Josh Parent-** he wanted to know if the board had any questions for him. He states that he is not running a business out of his house and would like to make that clear.

Correspondence/Announcements

- **Hoosick Rising-** Their website is now live @ www.hoosickrising.org . They are asking for area businesses and organizations to send a photo, contact info (website, phone, email) hours of operation and you are also welcome to send a short description or background story also.
- **Letter from “Coach Baker Fund”-** June 15th is the scheduled date for the 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament, the Golf Tournament and the Country Club Social. Information available through Dave Sutton @ 518-605-5604.
- **Free 10 year Smoke Detectors, Carbon Monoxide Detectors and Radon Test Kits-** all are available for zip code 12090 through the Rensselaer County Healthy Neighborhoods Program. Please Call 518-765-3512, Email: dfp46@cornell.edu, Fax 518-765-2490 or Apply Online: <https://bit.ly/2J38Yva> Flyer with additional information is available in the lobby of the Town & Village Offices.

Assessor’s Report

Grievance was held on May 28th, about 2 weeks ago. There were 35 grievances to hear. Equalization rate is now at 100%. Sales in the town and the village are now selling at top value. Supervisor Surdam wanted to mention that an agreement will be in place for work that Tony does for the Village.

Town Clerk’s Report

- Report for the month of March total: \$13,870.00 remitted to Supervisor: \$12,494.30
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Superintendent of Highway's Report

- Working on pot holes washed out roads from the rain and mowing lawns
- There is a washout on Bovie Hill Road and this will be fixed after school is finished. Not sure what it may need and wanted to make sure that the buses were able to still get through if needed.
- **284 Agreement**-have the numbers and will get it put together. Bill will send it to everyone.
- Lettering on the trucks will be done by the next meeting.

Town Historian

Phil talked about Natty Bumppo Day and the activities planned for that day. Phil has a sign that will be going up. The sign is red which indicates Legends and Lore. He also discussed the email that was received from Carl Bonn from Germany. Phil states that Carl has journals from a Roscoe Pearse from Hoosick area. Carl will be in town in October and will be bringing the journals with him to give to Phil.

- **Natty Bumppo Day July 13th**. Hoosick Township Historical Society has asked the Town Board to designate this day as "**Natty Bumppo Day**". Designating July 13th as Natty Bumppo Day will be done at the July meeting so it is closer to the event.
- **Friends of the Bennington Battlefield**- Winter 2019 Newsletter is available through our Town web site, www.townofhoosick.org . Attached to the newsletter is the new 2019 membership form. The group is now legally incorporated and has the IRS 501(c) (3) designation.
- **Bennington Battlefield Upcoming Events**- <https://parks.ny.gov/historic-sites/12/hunting.aspx#events>

Recreation

- **Swim Lessons Sign Ups**- are the week of June 17th from 3pm-5:30pm at the pool.
- **Pool Officially Opens July 1st**, **Swimming Lessons and Summer Day Camp** begin the week of July 8th.
- **Town of Hoosick Summer Day Camp**- Registrations are available @ www.townofhoosick.org or at the Town Office in the HAYC3 Armory.
- **Time Clock for Pool**- Councilperson Hanselman will install the time clock at the pool.
- **Option to move the pool admission cashier into concession part time.**
- **Pool Concession Appointments**- **Motion** to appoint Rosabelle Plusch, Diandra Ryan and Sidney Stowell as Part Time Town pool concession staff.

MOTION TO APPROVE

Mark made the motion to approve Rosabelle Plusch, Diandra Ryan and Sidney Stowell as part time Town pool concession staff, Sheffer seconded. All ayes carried.

- **WSI Appointment**- **Motion** to appoint Katherine Danforth WSI assistant coordinator for 2019 swim program.

MOTION TO APPROVE

Hanselman made the motion to approve Katherine Danforth WSI Assistant Coordinator for 2019 swim program, Hyde seconded. All ayes carried.

Supervisor Surdam's Report

- Submitted the BCN Phone agreement as a One year agreement.

- I provided the requested letter of support on behalf of the Town to the NYS Dept. of Health for the Federal Health Study Grant they are applying for.
- Attended NYMIR sponsored class with Bill Shiland for Playground Inspections/Maintenance- Managing Recreation Liability Exposures Including Aquatics Safety & Tick-borne Disease Prevention.
- Attended on behalf of the Town and the Village the most recent Rensselaer County Hazard Mitigation Workshop held at the Brunswick Fire Station.
- Janet and I had a meeting with our new Summer Day Camp Managers Ashley St.Onge and Cassie Sherman.
- I participated in the monthly phone conference call with Mayor Allen, NYSDEC, NYSDOH, and EPA in ref to the ongoing PFOA contamination, remediation and testing.

Town Council Reports

Deputy Supervisor Sheffer- Eric states that Michelle Gocio has started. She is being shown the roads that she is to gather information on. There was no June meeting for Hoosick Rising. Hoosick Rising is still working on signage in the parking lot near the rock cut. HOOrAH has been in contact with Supervisor Surdam regarding the river access and are willing to help with the situation. Eric attended the CPWG kick off meeting. They began the meeting with a presentation with structures and goals that need to be followed. They state that the conversation between the town and the village needs to be a priority along with health education and that the committee should get an independent 3rd party educator that is not coming from the state. Eric also reports that he is working on getting an answer on the area in front of Lumber Jacks. He has sent an email to the state and they first look at an aerial of the roadway from the computer and then go do a site visit to determine a no passing zone.

Councilperson Hyde-No report

Councilperson McAuliffe- Jerry states that he attended the CPWG meeting with Eric.

Councilperson Hanselman- Bill also attended the CPWG meeting with Eric. Bill states that it was a good kick off meeting. Bill also spoke to Dean with Hoosac School regarding the area down by the rock cut. If the determination is that the property is Hoosac School's then there will be barricades going up in the roadways leading down to the river.

Old Business

- **SAM Grant-** We now have the CHA Design and information. We still may need to tweak a few things but it will help us move forward. We are still collecting project estimates.
- **Combined Town of Hoosick/Village of Hoosick Falls Woods Brook Grant Project-** May 2019 meeting minutes contain the most recent update.
- **Rte. 22 Rock Cut Parking Area-** Tom wanted to mention that blocking the roadway to the river is not a good way to go.
- **Unsafe House Concerns- Updates** 21213 NY 22 Rensselaer County recently sold at a Rensselaer County Auction to local contractor. It was stated that the new owner has already

started working on the area to clean it up. 57 Scott St. is continuing to go through probate process.

- **Mass Gathering review of the Law-** Attorney Schopf has provided an update for review. A Public hearing has been set for July 8th at 6:15 pm.
- **Changing Towns street lights to LED-** The next step is consulting with NY Power Authority through Rensselaer County.
- **Updating our Town of Hoosick Employee Handbook & Policy/Procedure Manual-** Ginny to begin working on for us. Mark has a few other projects for Ginny to work on as well.
- **Hudson River Greenway Grant-** Submittal postponed until the next round which is due September 6th.
- **On-Line Town Code-** Jonathan did contact the person in charge of On-line Town code. However, she is on vacation for two weeks.
- **Retaining Employee Records Electronically-** Attorney Schopf checking for retention requirements and reports that there should be no issues with storing electronically.
- **Garbage Complaint along the West Hoosick Roads.** At last month's meeting, a complaint had been sent to Supervisor Surdam. At this point, the board feels that there is no need for signs.
- **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*

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

- **AED-** the Town would like to purchase 2 AED units. Right now the pool and the rink share one and Supervisor Surdam feels that there should be one at each and not a shared one in case of an incident.

MOTION TO APPROVE

Sheffer made the motion to approve the purchase of two AED units. One will be located at the Rink and other one will be located in the Town Offices. Hyde seconded. All ayes carried.

- **HFCS Carbon Filter Change-** DEC is in charge of the filter change and already has approved this to happen. Supervisor Surdam states that DEC is aware that there will be dumping of water and states that DEC has no issues with this.
- **Mandatory Town Employee/Volunteer Training Thursday June 20th at 3pm or 6pm- Blood Borne Pathogens, Workplace Violence, Right to Know/Global Harmonization and Sexual Harassment.**

- **Playground Inspection Checklist-** Supervisor Surdam and Bill Shiland attended a meeting regarding Playground Inspection. At the meeting it was suggested that a checklist be maintained and done on a monthly basis. It was suggested that the pool manager inspect the playground on a daily basis and report anything that looks dangerous since they are right next to the playground.
- **NYMIR Release Forms-** Attorney Schopf will review the form. The form is for camp.
- **Updating Local Law #1 of 2008 for Building Code Fees-** This will be further discussed. All board members now have the information.
- **Town Website Review-** Supervisor Surdam asked the board members to go into the website and see if there is anything on there that needs to be removed or if a link is not working to let Bob know. He would like all eyes on this as he had found a about 5 things that needed to be taken off or fixed.
- **US Census New Construction Program- Discussion and Motion to participate in the program.**
- **Pool in looking Great-** Thank you to Highway Superintendent Shiland and our Highway Staff for all of the work that goes into opening the pool!!
- **Lakes to Locks Passage-** Supervisor Surdam states that there has been no movement on the website and no activity since last year. He feels that the donation to them is no warranted this year.
- **Executive Session-None Required**

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

Hyde made the motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:17 pm pending the signing of vouchers, McAuliffe seconded, all ayes carried.

Bills Paid Abstract #6 2019 Vouchers 215-262

General A	\$	50,842.53
General B	\$	6,456.18
Highway DA	\$	112.58
Highway DB	\$	16,263.33
Trust & Agency	\$	11,911.80
Total:	\$	99,933.73

Respectfully submitted,

Holli Cross
Town Clerk