

**Agenda**  
**Town Of Hoosick Regular Meeting**  
**April 12<sup>th</sup> 2021**

*Our Town Board meeting is now open to the public but with very limited seating capacity due to required social distancing requirements. The meeting can be seen live via the internet at Zoom.com Meeting ID 844 60440493 Passcode is 795381 the meeting begins at 7pm.*

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

**III. Roll Call**

- **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, List of Monthly Checks Issued, and Revenues have been issued to the Town Board, Clerk, Highway Superintendent, Assessor and Recreation Supervisor.

**Statement from the Town Board-** The media reporting of a portion of the re-drafting of the proposed Town Zoning Law regarding the use of dirt-bikes and ATVs was not accurate. The Town Board is not taking any action with regard to passing legislation at tonight's meeting. At last month's meeting a draft zoning law that had been prepared by the Town Attorney was discussed. The zoning law updates as well as the use of dirt-bikes and ATVs in the Town has been discussed at numerous meetings and has been a work in progress over the last year. The Town Board is reviewing this draft and soon will schedule public workshop sessions as well as seeking input from the Planning and Zoning Boards to reach a final draft version of the law. After this final draft version of the law is prepared a public hearing will be held and comments considered and, if appropriate, acted upon prior to the final vote on the implementation of the law.

As with the existing law, a portion of this law deals with the regulation of dirt bikes, ATVs and other off-road vehicles within the Town. The intent of the law, as with all zoning laws, is to provide a balance between the competing interests of property owners. The Town is seeking to ensure that the requirements of the zoning code are complied with, while still allowing the reasonable use of private property for dirt-bike and ATV riding. The Town Board is in no way seeking to prohibit the reasonable use of private property for normal and customary family dirt-bike and ATV riding. This summer, the Town Zoning Board of Appeals issued an interpretation of the Town Zoning code regarding "personal" and "commercial" use of dirt-bikes and ATVs. The proposed zoning law takes this interpretation into consideration and is the reason that

the portion of the law dealing with these uses has been redrafted and is being re-considered.

**IV. Welcome/Public Comments-** We will monitor comments through the Zoom Meeting and will respond periodically throughout the meeting.

- **Welcome Chris Krahling** from the Agricultural Stewardship Association (ASA). Chris has requested a letter of support from the Town of Hoosick for the Berle Farm Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) project- **Motion** authorizing Supervisor Surdam to submit a letter of support on behalf of the Town of Hoosick to New York Ag and Markets grant funding through the Agricultural Stewardship Association (ASA). **Discussion**
- **Welcome Kim Brownell** on behalf of the Cheney Library.

**V. Correspondence/Announcements**

- Hoosick Rising has joined with Joe MacDonald and a crew from Saint Gobain for Village Clean Up day scheduled for Saturday April 24<sup>th</sup> meeting at the gazebo in Wood Park. Please contact Hoosick Rising @ [hoosickrising@gmail.com](mailto:hoosickrising@gmail.com) for additional info.
- County Executive Steve McLaughlin's letter ref EGS-Advanced Energy Solutions.
- USDA Rural Development Single Family Housing Section 504 Home Repair Loan/Grant Program. Objective is to assist very low income owner occupants of modest single family homes in rural areas funding assistance to repair their homes. The program flyer can be viewed on the Town web site [www.townofhoosick.org](http://www.townofhoosick.org) or [www.rd.usda.gov](http://www.rd.usda.gov) .

**VI. Town Clerk's Report**

- **Monthly Report-**
- **Facility Use Request-**

**VII. Assessor's Report**

- **Assessment Review Board- Motion** to appoint Paula Kamperman to the Assessment Review Board for term that would expire September 30 2025.

**VIII. Superintendent of Highway's Report**

- **Cottrell Road Bridge- Open RFP(s)**
- **Bovie Hill Road Guard Rails**

**IX. Town Historian**

- **Phil Leonard- not available tonight, feel better Phil!!**

**X. Recreation**

- **Rink Lighting Project-** All of the lighting has been installed. Protective light covers are needed and have been ordered.
- **Zamboni Inspection Report-** Discussion
- **Town of Hoosick Community Pool-** We will be following the most recent CDC, NYS & Rensselaer County Health Departments COVID-19 guidelines for public pool operations. Discussion for following
  - End of year Class Trips- Are we opening?
  - Swim Lesson Program- Are we opening to other communities?
  - Swim Lesson Cost- resident, non-resident?
  - Daily price per swimmer- resident, non-resident? Adult/child?
  - Family Membership Cost- resident, non-resident?
  - Family Membership Outline- Kids, mom, dad, grandparents, caregiver?
  - Expansion Senior Swim Program times?
  - Overall swim programing- let Kim try some programing?
  - Concession
  
- **Lifeguard/WSI Training-**
- **Pool Officially Opens-**
- **Swim Lessons- Three 2 week sessions beginning July 5<sup>th</sup>.**
- **Adding CO2 system to pool for more consistent PH control- Discussion**
  
- **Summer Camp** is set to begin July 5<sup>th</sup> for 7 one week sessions Monday through Friday 8am to 4:30pm. The cost per camper per week is \$110. AM & PM Care will be offered for an additional \$25 a week (AM-7:30-8am, PM- 4:30-5pm). COVID 19- The Town of Hoosick Summer Camp will follow CDC, NYS Health & Rensselaer County Health Dept. recent COVID-19 Guidance. A Town of Hoosick Summer Camp Application is required for each camper. We can allow up to 60 campers per week however the number may be limited due to COVID-19 Guidance restrictions. If a waiting list is needed for any reason the list will be prioritized by application receipt date at the Hoosick Town Clerks Office.  
**Motion** to approve the 2021 Town of Hoosick Summer Camp Program, the 2021 Summer Camp Application and the 2021 Summer Camp Parent Handbook. Discussion
  
- **Part Time Summer Staff Proposed Wage Schedule- New NYS Minimum Wage has increased from \$11.10 to \$12.50 per hour.**

<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>2019/2020 Actual</u></b>	<b><u>Proposed</u></b>
Managers	\$18.30	\$19.00 First Aid, CPR, AED required
Assist. Managers	\$13.65	\$14.50 First Aid, CPR, AED required
Lifeguard	\$12.65	\$13.00 First Aid, CPR, AED required
Lifeguard with WSI	\$13.15	\$13.50 First Aid, CPR, AED required
Camp Counselors	\$12.30	\$13.00 First Aid, CPR, AED required
Concession/support	\$12.30	\$12.50

## **XI. Supervisor Surdam's Report-**

## **XII. Town Council Reports**

**Deputy Supervisor Sheffer-**

**Councilperson McAuliffe- RR Ave train tracks meeting.**

**Councilperson Hanselman-Turf**

**Councilperson Houghton-**

## **XIII. New Business**

- **2020 Inner Budget Transfer as requested- Motion** to approve as requested.
- **Budget Modification(s) If needed.**
- **Local COVID-19- Updates & Discussion**
- **Zoning Board Appointment-** Michael Bailey's Zoning Board Term expires April 30<sup>th</sup>. **Motion** to Re-appoint Michael Bailey to the Zoning Board effective May 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 to a 5 year term that will expire April 30<sup>th</sup> 2026.
- **NYMIR Training- Required Annual Compliance for Harassment & Discrimination Training is being offered virtually on April 13<sup>th</sup> at 9am, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm and June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10am. Everyone employed or appointed by the Town of Hoosick is required to complete annual training- no exceptions.**
- **Rensselaer County/NYS Child Nutrition Summer Food Service Program- Discussion**
- **Rescue Plan Funding- Discussion**
- **NYS Marijuana Legalization Legislation- Discussion**
- **Fireworks Tent @ Scoops- Discussion**
- **Inappropriate political signs- Discussion**
- **North Hoosick Fire Dept. Penflex Service Reward Program- Motion to approve Resolution # \_\_\_\_\_ of 2021** accepting the 2020 Service Credit List provided by Fire Chief Alan Bornt on behalf of the North Hoosick Fire Dept.
- **Hawthorn Solar Project- Discussion**

## **XIV. Old Business**

- **On-Line General Town Code- Update**
- **Naturae, LLC ongoing odor issue- No update this month.**
- **Woods Brook project update.**
- **Armory Phone System upgrades project update. Conversion to VOIP is complete in the Armory.**

- **Zoning Law Update- Discussion**
- **Town of Hoosick Comprehensive Plan Update- Project Discussion/update.**
- **IT Discussion on new Code Enforcement Software proposal from Edmunds. Motion to approve the purchase of the Code Enforcement Software through Edmunds-Discussion**
- **EV Charging Station- Project update.**

**Executive Session- If needed.**

**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 Hoosick Armory. Meeting minutes are available online @ [www.townofhoosick.org](http://www.townofhoosick.org) or from the Town Clerk.

**Adjournment pending the signing of Vouchers-**