

**REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2016**

The Supervisor opened the Meeting at 6:00 PM and led the assembly in the Salute to the Flag.

Together with the Supervisor were Board Members Stephanie DeZalia, Marshall Gero, Robert Dobie and Maureen Marsden, The Town Clerk, Sarah Vinskus, was also there.

The only guest present was Jon Senecal, the new Codes Enforcement Officer.

The Clerk read the Minutes of the November 7<sup>th</sup> 2016 Public Hearings on Local Law #1 of 2016 and the 2017 Town Budget.

Marshall Gero moved and was seconded by Maureen Marsden to accept the Minutes as read. All voted "Aye".

The Clerk then read the Minutes of the November 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

Robert Dobie moved and was seconded by Stephanie DeZalia to accept the Minutes as amended. All voted "Aye".

The Supervisor went over the contents of the Board Members' packets.

The Supervisors' Financial Report as of November 30, 2016 is as follows:

Checking Accounts:

Town of North Hudson	0,10%	\$ 598,473.85
General Fund:		\$570,486.85
Fire District :		\$ 27,987.00
Highway Fund	0.10%	\$ 513,677.79
Total All Funds		\$1,112,151.64

The Tax Foreclosure Sale for house/properties with delinquent payment of taxes was held.

The next sale will be properties with taxes delinquent for the years 2012 and 2013. That sale should be sometime in the summer.

Mr. Moore attended one of the Public Hearings on the Boreas Ponds Tract and said there was a large group who wore green T-shirts to symbolize their unity in keeping the area completely "green". Their number greatly exceeded those who wanted the land opened to families with small children, the handicapped and the elderly, all of whom would have difficulty, if not an impossibility, to walk the 14 miles round trip to the ponds. More people need to attend these hearings.

Mr. Moore then introduced John Senecal, the new Codes Enforcement Officer, to the Board. Mr. Senecal did work with the former Codes Enforcement

Officer for a couple of weeks. His office hours will be Thursdays from 7:30 AM to 11:30 AM.

Mr. Moore said that there was an Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages Membership Meeting held on December 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> and was attended by several of our legislatures.

In the County the Budget for 2017 passed as did the Dog Tether Law.

Resolution #53 of 2016

Resolved that Councilwoman Maureen Marsden is to attend the 2017 Association of Towns Meeting in New York City, February 19<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

So moved by Robert Dobie and seconded by Marshall Gero. On roll call: 5-Ayes; 0-Noes; 0-Abstentions.

The Snowmobile Club has been posting signs and noticed the new trail cut by Marc DeZaila. The Club will now be using that trail that goes behind the gravel pit and comes out across from the old Belle Restaurant.

Resolution #54 of 2016

Resolved that the Supervisor, Ronald Moore, sign the contract with Bell and Flynn to perform the work of approximately 1 mile of Elk lake Road as described in their proposal at an estimated cost of \$70,000.

So moved by Robert Dobie and seconded by Maureen Marsden. On roll call: 5-Ayes; 0-Noes; 0- Abstentions.

The wood furnace at the Town Highway Garage has another leak, in the same area that was previously repaired. Also some wiring has burnt, possibly caused by short in a switch, which might have been caused by a power outage. An insurance claim has been submitted and we will be getting estimates on the cost of repair. In the meantime, the oil furnace will be used for heating which will be an unexpected expense.

The End of the Year Meeting will be held Tuesday, December 27,2016 at 6:00 PM.

The Town received a request for a supporting contribution from the Schroon Lake Area Chamber of Commerce. After discussion it was decided that the subject would be brought up again in January's Meeting.

Resolution #55 of 2016

Resolved that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign the contract with Standard Medical Testing Services for Drug and Alcohol testing.

So moved by Robert Dobie and seconded by Stephanie DeZalia. On roll call: 5- Ayes; 0- Noes; 0- abstentions.

Resolution #56 of 2016

Resolved that the Supervisor renew the Physical Examination Agreement with Hudson Headwaters Network at a cost of \$100 per each physical exam.

So moved by Marshall Gero and seconded by Maureen Marsden. On roll call: 5- Ayes; 0- Noes; 0- Abstentions.

Resolution # 57 of 2016

Resolved that the Organizational Meeting and the Regular Board Meeting will be held Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 6:00 PM.

So moved by Maureen Marsden and seconded by Robert Dobie. All voted "Aye".

DEC announced that a \$750,000 grant is available to the 5 Town Upper Hudson Recreational Hub. It will be administered by the Essex County Industrial Development Agency. An informational meeting will be held Thursday, January 19, 2017.

The Standard Mileage Rate for 2017 is 53.5 cents per mile.

Robert Dobie moved and was seconded by Ronald Moore to pay the audited vouchers. All voted "Aye".

Marshall Gero moved and was seconded by Stephanie DeZalia to approve the audit of the Judge's Financial Report. All voted "Aye".

The Board decided to give Emmet until January 19<sup>th</sup> to take and pass the Driver's Test so he can drive the Highway plow trucks.

Robert Dobie moved and was seconded by Maureen Marsden to adjourn the Meeting at 7:02 PM. All voted "Aye".

Respectfully submitted,  
Sarah Vinskus, Town Clerk

