

**TOWN OF NORTH HUDSON  
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
THURSDAY, JULY 10, 2014**

The Supervisor opened the Meeting at 6:30 PM and led the assembly in the Salute to the Flag.

Present with the Supervisor were Board Members Laureen DeZalia, Marshall Gero, Robert Dobie and Donald Dresser. The Town Clerk, Sarah Vinskus was also present.

Guests present were John Silvestri (Attorney for the Town), Pete DeMola (reporter for the Valley News newspaper), Will Plumstead, Woody and Sindy Brazee, Angela and Tiffany Nolan, Dan Snyder and Brian Caza.

The Town Clerk read the Minutes of the June 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

Donald Dresser moved and was seconded by Laureen DeZalia to accept the Minutes as amended.

The Supervisor then went over his Financial Report which is as follows:

CHECKING ACCOUNTS (as of June 30,2014):

General Fund (Due to Fire Dist, \$18,914 And Comptroller \$12,872 )	.15%	\$700,643.30
Highway Fund	.15%	\$700,311.43
TOTAL ALL FUNDS		\$1,400,954.73

The Town was served Notice of Petition/Complaint from George Moore's attorney. A court date has been set for September 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM.

The Common Ground Alliance of the Adirondacks will meet on Wednesday, July 16<sup>th</sup> at the Sabattis Pavilion in Long Lake and the cost is \$25.00.

The 5 Towns met June 26<sup>th</sup> and again on July 1<sup>st</sup>. This second meeting was with DEC Commissioner Joe Martens and other DEC personnel at the Boreas Lodge to discuss the future of the lodge as well as motorized access to the area. Also our input regarding the Draft Management Plan for the Essex Chain Lakes Management Complex and Essex Chain Draft UMP and the Draft for the Community Connector Trail Plan for the Towns of Newcomb, Minerva and North Hudson was discussed. Mr. Moore was also asked if the town would assist in expanding the parking area for the Hoffman Notch Trail.

The security system at the highway garage has been installed. On talking with the tech who installed the system, Mr. Moore was told that this is the most basic system which could be upgraded in the future but would need new, wireless cameras. Then the system could include the beach and the landfill. Hazardous Waste Days will be held August 2nd from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the North Elba Highway Garage and on August 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the North Hudson Highway Garage. Proof of

residency is required. Oil based paints, solvents, pool chemicals, acids, gas/oil mixes, herbicides, pesticides, fertilizers, and insecticides.

Are examples of what will be accepted.

Mr. Moore then went over the contents of the Board Members' packets.

The Highway Department has completed drawing sand for the winter. They have been doing some County roadwork and on the 14<sup>th</sup> will begin drawing 800 tons of recycled black top from South Schroon. Work on Wonderview has begun. The excavator is due to go back next week. We will probably have to rent one again to finish Wonderview and work on Elk lake Road.

At the County, the contract for the landfill is soon to expire and a Solid waste Advisory Committee has been formed to provide recommendations to the full BOS.

Donald Dresser moved and was seconded by Robert Dobie for the Board to move into Executive Session at 6:13 PM for the purposes discussing litigation regarding Frontier Town and land acquisition regarding Frontier Town. All voted "Aye".

Robert Dobie moved and was seconded by Laureen DeZalia to move out of Executive Session at 6:35 PM. All voted "Aye".

Resolution #54 of 2014

Resolved in support of Essex County's application for a grant from the Adirondack Park Upper Hudson Recreation Hub.

So moved by Ronald Moore and seconded by Laureen DeZalia. On roll call:

Donald Dresser	Aye
Robert Dobie	Aye
Ronald Moore	Aye
Marshall Gero	Aye
Laureen DeZalia	Aye

Resolution #55 of 2014

Resolved to appoint William Plumstead to a 5-year term on the Board of Assessment Review. This is to fill a vacancy and that term will expire 12/31/2015.

So moved by Marshall Gero and seconded by Donald Dresser. All voted "Aye".

Resolution #56 of 2014

Resolved to amend Resolution #3 of 2014 by adding "The Times of Ti" as the Official Town Newspaper.

So moved by Donald Dresser and seconded by Laureen DeZalia. All voted "Aye".

Resolution #57 of 2014

Resolved to expend up to \$50,000 for the repairs to Wonderview Road.

So moved by Laureen DeZalia and seconded by Donald Dresser. On roll call:

Laureen DeZalia	Aye
Marshall Gero	Aye
Ronald Moore	Aye

Robert Dobie	Aye
Donald Dresser	Aye

Resolution #58 of 2014

Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of the Former Frontier Town Property  
Resolved that the Town of North Hudson purchase from Essex County those parcels of property bearing North Hudson Tax Map Numbers 125.1-1-21.000, 125.1-1-27.000, 125.1-1-19.000 and 125.1-1-12.134, for the consideration of \$60,000, which Deed of Conveyance shall contain a covenant that if within five years of sale the Town of North Hudson sells the property, Essex County shall be paid one-third of the amount of the sale over the original \$60,000 purchase price.

So moved by Marshall Gero and seconded by Robert Dobie. On roll call:

Donald Dresser	Aye
Robert Dobie	Aye
Ronald Moore	Aye
Marshall Gero	Aye
Laureen DeZalia	Aye

Resolution #59 of 2014

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of North Hudson hereby rejects the counter offer from George Moore regarding the Frontier Town property. The counter offer did not offer any permanent, guaranteed access to the property nor does it allow for parking.

So moved by Marshall Gero and seconded by Robert Dobie. On roll call:

Laureen DeZalia	Aye
Marshall Gero	Aye
Ronald Moore	Aye
Robert Dobie	Aye
Donald Dresser	Aye

Mr. Moore then addressed the petition calling for a permissive referendum in regard to the Town's purchase of Frontier Town property. He then told of the things the land could be used for that could bring business into the area which is lacking much business now. He continued that he came across Town Law #94 which states that a Town Board may cause to be submitted for approval of the electors any resolution or act of such Town Board against which a petition could be filed and the proceedings thereon shall be the same as if such petition had been filed in accord with the provisions of this chapter.

Resolution #60 of 2014

Resolved that pursuant to Town Law 94 the Town Board of the Town of North Hudson submit for approval of the electors of the Town of North Hudson the purchase from Essex County those parcels of property bearing North Hudson Tax map numbers

125.1-1-21.000, 125.1-1-27.000, 125.1-1-19.000 and 125.1-1-12.134, for the consideration of \$60,000, which deed of conveyance shall contain a covenant that if within five years of sale the Town of North Hudson sells the property, Essex County shall be paid one-third of the amount of the sale over the original \$60,000 purchase price.

So moved by Ronald Moore and seconded by Laureen DeZalia. On Roll Call:

Laureen DeZalia	Aye
Marshall Gero	Aye
Ronald Moore	Aye
Robert Dobie	Aye
Donald Dresser	Aye

Robert Dobie moved and was seconded by Laureen DeZalia to approve the audited vouchers. All voted "Aye".

General Fund	\$6,521.72
Highway Fund	\$8,701.54
TOTAL	\$15,223.26

Laureen DeZalia moved and was seconded by Marshall Gero to accept the Judges Financial report as audited. All voted "Aye".

The Supervisor then opened the Meeting to the Privilege of the Floor but no one wished to speak.

Laureen DeZalia moved and was seconded by Robert Dobie to adjourn the Meeting at 8:02 PM. All voted "Aye".

Respectfully submitted,  
Sarah Vinskus, Town Clerk