

**TOWN OF NORTH HUDSON
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2016**

The Supervisor, Ronald Moore, opened the meeting at 6:00 PM and led the assembly in the Salute to the Flag.

With the Supervisor were Board Members, Maureen Marsden, Robert Dobie and Marshall Gero. Stephanie DeZalia was excused due to illness in her family. Also present was the Town Clerk, Sarah Vinskus.

The sole guest present was Cindy Wilson.

The Supervisor's Financial Report as of May 31, 2016 is as follows:

Checking Accounts:

General Fund (Due to Fire Dist.\$34,227) \ .10%	\$ 703,038.34
Highway Fund	633,493.41
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	\$1,336,531.75

A Broadband meeting was held here with Mark Cornett of SLIC. They toured the Town and then met to discuss the Broadband installation. Areas discussed were Johnson Pond Rd., Blue Ridge Rd. and Route 9 up to Greenough Rd. Completion of this projection may be in 12 to 18 months.

The Schroon Lake VFW held Memorial Day Services here at 11:00 AM and the Ladies Auxiliary served refreshments after the services. They were appreciated by all.

Makayla Stockwell was interviewed for the lifeguard position and has accepted the position and will begin on Monday, June 27th.

Greenough Rd. paving is to begin tomorrow, June 22nd.

Mr. Moore said that he received the contract for the Boreas Ponds Tract Parking Lot Development. Mr. Moore has asked Mr. Duntley, the Highway Superintendent, to contact DEC Forest Preserve Manager, Tate Connor, to discuss the project and the possibility of starting next week.

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

The County will pave Greenough Rd. tomorrow. Bell and Flynn will be delayed on the start of work on Elk Lake Rd. until late July or August. Work will start soon on the parking lots for the Boreas Ponds Tract. Kevin has been asked by the County to continue work on Ensign Pond Rd.

There are no new reports from the County.

Mr. Moore said that he had received several questions about the Summer Youth Employment Program. This program reimburses up to \$2,500 to towns that employ youths for summer work. We only received on Monday the reimbursement check for last year and we have not received a contract for this year. It is also quite late to begin the program as we should advertise for it.

Mr. Moore had a meeting with Mike Maciag of Government Magazine. They are doing an article on the Adirondacks and he is meeting with Supervisors of several towns. He was interested in Frontier Town and the proposed trail system linking the 5 Towns through the newly acquired state lands . They spent about an hour touring Frontier Town and doing the interview.

We have received our tentative equalization rate for 2016, which is 113.36 percent. A hearing will be held on July 15th at 10:00 AM in Albany to present documentation and discuss how our assessments were arrived at.

We have received a request from the Town of Keene to purchase a tandem load of sand for their beach.

The 10th Annual Common Ground Alliance will be held in Old Forge on July 19th from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM.

The 1st Annual Catskill Challenge will be held Thursday, June 30th.

Resolution #39 of 2016

This resolution is to adopt the Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution RS-2417-A and RS-2417- B. This is the result of a 3-month Record of Work Activities completed within 150 days and 180 days of beginning a term in office. A certified copy must be filed within 45 days of adoption.

So moved by Marshall Gero and seconded by Maureen Marsden. On roll call vote:

Ayes – 4

Nayes-0

Absent-1

Resolution #40 of 2016

Resolved that realizing that in order to achieve the greatest economic benefit from the State's acquisition of the Boreas Ponds Tract, the Upper Hudson Recreation Hub strongly opposes any land use and classification that does not provide for maximum access to the ponds, rivers and streams and trails by all citizens, including the elderly, handicapped, disabled and physically challenged.

So moved by Robert Dobie and seconded by Marshall Gero. All voted "Aye".

Office of the Aging will be handing out Farmers Market Coupons to eligible recipients on June 30th in the Senior Center from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM and from Lakeside Manor from 11:15 AM to 12:15 PM , Thursday, June 30th.

Mr. Moore said that he had received an e-mail from Sen. Betty Little's office in regard to a program that provides municipalities an opportunity to apply for financial assistance for projects involving the demolition, rehabilitation and/or reconstruction of vacant, abandoned and condemned buildings. Mr. Moore said that he had asked Mike Mascarenas to look into it

Mr. Moore stated that he received some information on the tax cap from NYSAC and their projection this year is between .60% and .67%, the lowest since the 2% tax cap began.

You may remember that we entered an agreement through the Municipal Energy Program. Our present agreement goes through February 2017 at .0668 cents/kw/hr. If we agree to extend from February 2017 through February 2020 the price would be .05778 cents/ kw/hr.

Resolution #41 of 2016

Resolved that the Supervisor sign a new agreement to extend our electricity savings through the Municipal Energy Program.

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

Ayes -4

Nos – 0

Abst -1

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

General Fund	\$ 8,875.01
Highway Fund	\$ 4,890.39
Total	\$13,765.40

Marshall Gero moved and was seconded by Maureen Marsden to accept the Judge's audits for April and May. All voted "Aye".

When the "Privilege of the Floor" was opened Mrs. Wilson had some questions about Broadband.

Marshall Gero brought up the fact that the former Mary Bessey residence, although it was demolished by her grandson, Remy Bessey, the debris has not been removed from demolition site, which Mr. Gero says was at least three years ago.

There was discussion which pointed out the fact that there were more sites that needed to be demolished and the debris removed. Mr. Moore said that he would write a letter to Mr. Bessey in regard to getting the area cleaned up.

Marshall Gero moved and was seconded by Robert Dobie to adjourn the Meeting at 6:43 PM. All voted "Aye".

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah Vinskus, Town Clerk
Town of North Hudson