

**TOWN OF NORTH HUDSON  
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2017**

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

With the Supervisor were Board Members Stephanie DeZalia, Marshall Gero, Robert Dobie and Maureen Marsden. Also present was the Town Clerk Sarah Vinskus.

There were no guests present.

The reading of the September Board Meeting was postponed until the November Meeting.

The Supervisor's Financial Report as of September 30, 2017 is as follows:

CHECKING ACCOUNTS

General Fund	\$671,176.13		
Fire Dist.	\$ 28,165.00		
		.10%	\$ 699,341.13
Highway Fund		.10%	\$ 458,484.69
TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS			\$ 1,157,825.82

Mr. Moore said that he had heard from Kris Loomis of Ehrhart Energy. Mr. Loomis said that they were waiting on the state code approval. Once that is received things should move on fairly quickly.

The County IT Department has completed the installation of the new routers, switches and wireless access point. Mr. Moore's new computer has been installed and the problem with the Town Clerk's receiving the Supervisor's emails has been corrected. We also have Wi-Fi capability now.

The Board met with Tish Biesmeyer and Arnie Morehouse regarding their respective health plans. Mr. Moore said that he had notified each of our decision to remain with Burnham and to Tish that we will continue with our current plan and add the retirees to the vision plan. Tish would like to schedule an employee/retiree meeting to go over any changes and to review the plan.

A seniors' luncheon will be held on October 25<sup>th</sup> at the Fire Department around 11:00 AM.

Mr. Moore said that he had made the changes to the budget that were agreed upon at the Budget Workshop.

A timber harvest was discussed a few months ago. Two proposals were looked at: one from F & W Forestry Services, Inc. and the other from Essex County Soil and Water Conservation District. Mr. Moore continued the reason that Essex County Soil and Water was chosen was due to the fact that their charge for timber sale administration, marketing, etc. was \$40.00 per hour as opposed to \$70.00 from F&W. Additionally, there would be no cost for the development of the management plan from Essex County Soil and Water and F&W would charge a minimum of \$2,500 and could be as high as \$10,000.

Resolution #60 of 2017

Resolved to accept the Forest Management Proposal for forest management of Town of North Hudson owned lands to the Essex County Soil and Water Conservation District.

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

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

The Highway Department has completed the necessary changes required for the change in plans for the pellet boiler installation. Stockpiling sand for the winter is completed. Emmett has once again worked for the county as a flagger. The 2006 Ford pickup needs to have the engine replaced. We will continue to run the '06 until the engine completely fails. The '03 dump box has been installed and is being painted.

In the County a tentative agreement has been reached with the county union general unit and they are still working with the sheriff's unit. Budget workshop meetings with the various departments are complete.

Resolution #61 of 2017

Resolved to introduce proposed Local Law #2 of 2017 entitled "A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law 3-C".

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

Mr. Moore said that he wished to schedule a Public Hearing in regards to the Local Law #2 on Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM and at 6:15 PM the same date, have a Public Hearing in regards to the Budget. The Town Clerk was instructed to place these notices in the local newspaper.

Resolution #62 of 2017

The Supervisor is hereby authorized to send payment in the amount of \$300 to the Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages for membership dues for the year 2018.

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

Resolution #63 of 2017

Resolved that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign the Life Flight Contract for the budget year 2018 in the amount of \$1,000.

So moved by Marshall Gero and seconded by Stephanie DeZalia. On roll call vote:

Ayes-5; Noes- 0; Absent- 0.

Resolution #64 pf 2017

Resolved that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign the SPCA contract for the budget year 2018 in the amount of \$367.20.

So moved by Maureen Marsden and seconded by Stephanie DeZalia. On roll call vote: Ayes-5; Noes-0; Absent-0.

Resolution #65 Of 2017

Resolved that the date for the Regular Monthly Board Meeting be changed from November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017 to November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

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

The Town Clerk was again asked to post this notice in the local newspaper.

The Adirondack Community Action Programs, Inc. has sent their Holiday for Sharing applications for families that may need help with toys at Christmas time. Some of the applications are at the Post Office and there are others on the table in the back of the conference room in the Town Hall.

There is a new law to confront vacant and abandoned properties. It helps identify delinquent properties and holds banks and mortgage services accountable. The Department of Financial Services has scheduled informational sessions across the State. One is scheduled for October 19<sup>th</sup> at Adirondack Community College.

The annual training offered by the Association of Towns information is in the Talk of Towns and Topics magazine.

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

General Fund	\$11,017.01
Highway Fund	\$ 4,384.47

Total \$15,401.48

Robert Dobie moved and was seconded by Marshall Gero for the Board to move into Executive Session at 6:20 PM in regards to personnel. All voted "Aye".

Marshall Gero moved and was seconded by Stephanie DeZalia for the Board to move out of Executive Session at 6:40 PM. All voted "Aye".

Stephanie DeZalia moved and was seconded by Robert Dobie to adjourn the Meeting at 6:45 PM. All voted "Aye".

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sarah Vinskus, Town Clerk