

**TOWN OF NORTH HUDSON
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2018**

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 Maureen Marsden, Robert Dobie, Marshall Gero and Stephanie DeZalia. Also present was the Town Clerk, Sarah Vinskus.

The sole guest present was Tammy Whitty-Brown.

The Clerk read the Minutes of the Organizational Meeting and Regular Town Board Meeting.

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

The Supervisor then went over the Supervisor's Financial Report as of January 31, 2018.

Checking Accounts:

General Fund \$760,906.68

Fire Dist. \$118,165.00

Total General Fund Checking .10% \$879,071.68

Highway Fund Checking .10% \$725,688.95

Total All Funds \$1,604,760.63

The pellet boiler at the highway garage is completely installed and seems to be working fine. Kris Loomis wrote suggesting an open house and asked about the best days/times to have it.

The Seniors' Luncheon will be held on February 28 at the North Hudson Fire House at 11:00 AM.

Mr. Moore said that he had deposited the check from Burnham and the money collected from the Memory Tree into what was referred to as the "Seniors Account". This was a Savings Account. Mr. Moore continued that he thought it would be better to change it to a checking account with the Supervisor and Deputy Supervisor as those authorized to sign those checks, as is done with other accounts.

The Planning Board has approved the plans for the Paradox Brewery and was referred to the County Planning Board, where it was also approved. Paul Mrocka has closed on his loan and purchased the land.

The Interviews have been completed for the Clerk to the Supervisor position and Cassandra D'Agostino has been selected. She will begin on February 27th.

Logging has begun at the Frontier Town Campground. Mr. Moore said that he believed that there would be a ground breaking ceremony this spring focused on the construction of the DEC facilities.

Mr. Moore said that the Town has been notified that we are required to appoint/reappoint a person to act as a representative on the County Youth Board/Planning Committee. Also, because we receive NYS OFCS funds we must appoint a Youth Commission and designate our Youth Commission Chairperson.

The Board decided to discuss this at a later date.

The Highway Committee Robert Dobie and Marshall Gero met with Kevin Duntley regarding the possible purchase of a new loader.

They found out that the Skidster needs a new bucket at a cost of between \$3,000 and \$4,000. Question? should skidster be sold and money used toward a new loader.

The '03 tandem has had to have the radiator replaced. Pot holes in the roads have been patched. The inside to the garage has been painted with the help of the Moriah Shock inmates.

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

There is nothing on the County level to report.
Resolution #27 of 2018

Resolution Opposing The Conversion Of Local Assessment of State- Owned Lands into a Payment in Lieu of Taxes.

The following resolution was offered by Councilman Dobie, who moved its adoption.

Whereas, State-owned lands are currently assessed by the local municipality where the State land is located, and

Whereas, Governor Cuomo proposing to convert the local assessment of taxable State-owned lands into a payment in Lieu of Taxes ("PILOT") program based on existing tax amounts to be increased each year by the allowable levy growth factor, and

Whereas, said payment change will result in loss of local assessment of taxable State-owned land as well as loss in tax revenue to local municipalities due to changes not reflected in a PILOT agreement.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Town Board of the Town of North Hudson that the assessment of taxable State-owned land should remain under the control of the local municipality where such property is located and is hereby opposed to New York State converting the assessment of taxable State-owned land into a Payment in Lieu of Taxes, and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Town Clerk is hereby Authorized to forward a copy of this Resolution to the following persons:

Governor Andrew Cuomo

NYS Senator Elizabeth Little

NYS Assemblyman Daniel Stec

This resolution was duly seconded by Councilman Gero, and adopted.
Resolution #28 of 2018

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF NORTH HUDSON SUPERVISOR TO SIGN SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT E2017-0181A WITH THE ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY RESOLVING THE VIOLATION IN REGARDS TO A PRIOR SUBDIVISION OF TAX MAP PARCEL 125.1-1-30.100 AND RATIFYING THIS PREVIOUS EXECUTION THEREOF.

The following resolution was offered by Councilwoman Stephanie DeZalia, who moved its adoption.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of North Hudson hereby authorizes
THE TOWN OF NORTH HUDSON SUPERVISOR TO SIGN SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT E2017-0181A with the Adirondack Park Agency resolving a violation in regards to a prior subdivision of an approximately 132-acre vacant parcel located on rural lands with frontage on Route 9 in the Town of North Hudson bearing Tax Map Parcel 125.1-1-30.100 and ratifying his previous execution thereof.

This resolution was duly seconded by Councilwoman Maureen Marsden, and adopted.

Resolution #29 of 2018

Resolution adopting the Procurement Policy as amended this, February 20, 2018,

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

Resolution #30 of 2018

Resolution adopting the Investment Policy as amended this day, February 20, 2018.

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

The 2018 Annual Tree and Shrub sale will be held at the Essex County Fair Grounds in Westport on April 20,2018.

The DEC has issued us a Temporary Revocable Permit (TRP) to do snow plowing of parking lots in the Boreas Ponds Tract and the Hammond Pond Wild Forest.

The North Hudson Volunteer Fire Department is looking into the purchase of a new pumper and has asked that we look into possible grants through the Frontier Town project to assist them. They have found a demo Truck (2015 cab/2017 pump) for \$245,000. Mr. Moore said that he has been told that there are electrical problems with the 2005 pumper.

Robert Dobie moved and was seconded by Marshall Gero to pay the audited vouchers. All Voted “Aye”.

General Funds	\$90,278.68
Highway Funds	\$18,465.82
Total Both Funds	\$108,744.50

Marshall Gero moved and was seconded by Stephanie DeZalia to accept the Judge’s Financial report. All voted “Aye”.

Mr. Moore opened the floor to our sole guest, Tammy Whitty-Brown who announced that she was resigning her position with the Schroon Lake Chamber of Commerce because of on-going health issues.

Mr. Moore said that he had received a request to place an ad in the Newspaper congratulating the North Country College on its 50th anniversary. After some discussion it was decided not to do this.

Jon Senecal, the Building and Codes officer, gave Mr. Moore a report after he had checked the A-Frame at Frontier Town.

There will be a Local Government Conference coming up soon and anyone interested in attending should contact Mr. Moore.

Mr. Dobie moved to adjourn at 7:10 PM and was seconded by Maureen Marsden. All voted "Aye".

Respectfully submitted, Sarah Vinskus, Town Clerk