

**TOWN OF NORTH HUDSON
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2018**

The Meeting was opened at 6:00 PM by the Supervisor, Ronald Moore, who led the assembly in the Salute to the Flag.

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

The only guest was Brian Caza, who spoke to the Board. He said that when the State audited the financial records of the Town, they requested Fire Department Records which show the number of times members of the department show up for duty and these records are proof of duty and points each member has gathered for the year. There is a report that the fire Department has to send to the company which eventually will pay a pension to the retiring members. The money which the town gives the Fire Department pays for this insurance. Brian went on to say that there are three (3) months of reports missing and they are needed to make the annual report and that they must have gotten mixed up with town records during the audit and he asked if the Supervisor's clerk could look for them.

The Town Clerk then read the Minutes of the November 20th Regular Board Meeting.

Marshall Gero moved and was seconded by Robert Dobie to accept the Minutes of November 20th as amended. All voted "Aye".

The Supervisor's financial report as of November 30th, 2018, is as follows:

CHECKING ACCOUNTS:

Town of North Hudson

General Fund	\$577,684.60	0.10%	\$ 615, 849.60
Fire Dist.	38,165.00		
Highway Checking		0.10%	\$ 453, 802.97
Total All Funds			\$1, 069, 652.57

The skidder has been delivered to John Howe. He also expressed interest in the 2003 Ford pickup and the loader, if we want to give him a price.

The senior luncheon was cancelled for North Hudson and was held in Schroon Lake.

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

The Highway Department have had a few days keeping up with snow storms and wind. The 1998 tandem had to have a tire and hub replaced. The pellet boiler is down again. This time we have an “auger overheating” message.

The county has adopted the 2019 Budget. The tax rate last year was \$3.27 and this year it will be \$3.29.

Resolution #77 of 2018

Resolved that the Date for the End of the Year Meeting will be Thursday, December 27, 2018 at 6:00 PM.

So moved by Stephanie DeZalia and seconded by Maureen Marsden. All voted “Aye”.

Resolution #78 of 2018

Resolved that the date for the 2019 Organizational and Regular Board Meeting will be Tuesday, January 15, 2019.

So moved by Maureen Marsden and seconded by Stephanie DeZalia.

Resolution #79 of 2018

Resolved to authorize the following amendments to the town of North Hudson 2018 Budget.

- (1) From Contingent A1990.4, \$5,500.00 to A1220.1c Clerk to Supervisor, \$4,500.00 and to A1220.4, Supervisor contractual, \$1,000.00.
- (2) From Contigent A1990.4, \$2,500.00 to A1410.4, Town Clerk Contractual, \$2,500.00.
- (3) From Parks Equipment, A7110.2, \$1,000.00 to A7110.4, Parks contractual, \$1,000.00.
- (4) From Contingent A1990.4, \$1,000.00 to A8810.4, Cemeteries Contractual, \$1,000.00.
- (5) From General Repairs Contractual, DA5110.4,\$2,000.00 to DA5142.4, Snow Removal Contractual, \$2,000.00
- (6) From Contingent, A1990.4, \$100.00, to A1650.4, Central Communication Cont., \$100.00.
- (7) From Contingent, A1990.4, \$1,000.00 to A6410.4, Publicity Contractual, \$1,000.00.
- (8) From Contingent, A1990.4, \$1,000.00 to Employee Benefit Hosp. & Med., A9060.8, \$1,000.00.

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

Resolution #80 of 2018

Resolved to increase the Estimated Revenues to the 2018 Budget by Sale of Equipment of \$8,335.00 to DA2665.

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

Resolution # 81 of 2018

Resolved that the Supervisor sign the contract with Standard Medical Testing Services for Drug and Alcohol testing – Yearly fee - \$100.00; Urine Drug Screen -\$62.00; Alcohol Breath Testing – \$38.00; DOT/CDL Physicals -\$130.00.

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

Resolution #82 of 2018

Resolved that the Supervisor sign the contract with the Schroon Lake Emergency Squad to provide ambulance service to the Town of North Hudson for the year 2019 in the amount of \$82, 823.94 (an increase of \$14,288.55 from \$68,534.94 last year).

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

Mr. Moore said that there had been some discussion about the removal of the additional dumpster. There was some discussion but no final solution was put forth.

Evidently someone is interested in purchasing the old safe in the old Highway garage. If we choose to surplus it, we probably should put it out for bid as we did the skidder.

Mr. Moore announced that Schuyler Falls sent a notice regarding the bus fare to the Association of Towns meeting in February. The cost is \$100.00 and they need a list of names as soon as possible and payment must be in their office by January 24th.

Mr. Moore continued that we had received a note from Community Resources of a presentation to be given this spring on bond basics. They request notification of number attending, and day and time preferences.

There will be a Special Board Meeting held on Wednesday, January 2, 2019 at 4:00PM, to fill the vacancy of the Supervisor.

Resolution #83 of 2018

Resolved that the Supervisor sign an Amendment to the Access Agreement between the State of New York Department of Environmental Conservation, The Town of North Hudson and the County of Essex.

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

Resolution #84 of 2018

Resolved to authorize the Supervisor to sign an APA Permit Application which is part of DEC's permit with APA for trail improvements within the campground.

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

Robert Dobie moved and was seconded by Marshall Gero to approve the abstracts for the General and Highway Funds for payment. All voted "Aye".

Marshall Gero said that the Judge's Financial Report was not yet available.

Stephanie DeZalia moved and was seconded by Marshall Gero for the Board to move into Executive Session at 7:00 PM. All voted "Aye".

Marshall Gero moved and was seconded by Robert Dobie for the board to moved out of Executive Session at 7:12PM. All voted "Aye".

A question was brought up about towing insurance because town trucks were recently towed. Mr. Moore said that he would look into the matter.

Marshall Gero moved and was seconded by Robert Dobie for the Board to adjourn at 7:15 PM. All voted "Aye".

Respectfully Submitted:

Sarah Vinskus, Town Clerk

Town of North Hudson