

**Town of North Hudson**  
**REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**  
**Tuesday February 18, 2020**  
**6 pm**

In attendance Supervisor Stephanie DeZalia  
Town Council members Maureen Marsden, Robert Dobie, Brian Caza and  
Deputy Town Clerk Jean McKee.  
Previously excused Marshall Gero and Town Clerk Martha King.  
Guests present were William Plumstead and Cole Plumstead.

Supervisor DeZalia called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.  
The Salute to the flag was waived as already done.

**Approval of the minutes:**

Approval of Jan 2, 2020-year end meeting and January 2 Organizational meeting  
minutes as amended. Minutes of January 21 meeting will be approved at the next  
meeting.

Motion by Robert Dobie and seconded by Maureen Marsden.

Roll call vote Ayes—4 Noes-0.

**Supervisors Financial report:**

Town of North Hudson

Supervisor's Financial Report

As of January 31,2020

Checking Accounts

Town of North Hudson Checking	(0.10%)	\$ 1,077,385.08
General Fund		\$ 1,042,015.08
Fire Dist.		\$ 35,370.00
Highway Fund Checking	( 0.10%)	\$ 274,880.71
TOTAL ALL FUNDS		\$ 1,352,265.79

- Note: Total was corrected from \$1,282,265.79 by Supervisor DeZalia.

## **Old Business:**

**A.** Reminder that the Essex County Soil and water Conservation District is holding the annual tree and shrub sale. Order forms are on table in back of the meeting room.

**B.** The Paradox Brewery is now open.

The tasting room opened last Thursday for a soft opening. It appeared to be quite busy all weekend. Supervisor DeZalia congratulated them and wished them good luck.

## **New Business**

In Board packets there are the Supervisors financial report, Vendor payment report, Revenue summary report, Expenditures Summary Report, the monthly Justice report, the Town Clerk's monthly report, the Towns monthly bank reconciliation's, as well as a number of informational sheets that will be discussed

## **Departmental Reports:**

### **Supervisor-**

Supervisor DeZalia attended a FEMA Briefing on January 23<sup>rd</sup> to review the procedures and processes of applying for federal assistance.

Supervisor DeZalia attended NYSAC conference at the Desmond January 27-to January 29.

Supervisor DeZalia attended the 5-Towns meeting in Newcomb on February 5<sup>th</sup>.

On Tuesday February 11 Highway Superintendent Duntley and Supervisor DeZalia participated in a phone conference with FEMA and State Officials regarding the paperwork needed to be submitted through the grants gateway in order to get reimbursement of funds for the Halloween 2019 storm. It is very extensive and will require a lot of paperwork. Supervisor DeZalia stated she will be working on it every day for the next few weeks. Supervisor DeZalia and Highway Superintendent Duntley have a meeting with them on Tuesday February 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm.at the Public Safety Building in Lewis to go over initial list of things that are needed to get ready. Tuesday at 1:30pm is when the clock starts ticking. We really can't assess the damage at the beach yet due to the snow cover. So we will

be guesstimating damages there. All paperwork is to be started however It is possible we are going to find things after the snow melts. We only have 60 days to submit all paperwork and the work has to be started.

Supervisor DeZalia has attended all county board meetings, committee meetings and various task force meetings.

Supervisor has received the contract for Adirondack Landfill Services LLC for the 2020 Post-Closure Monitoring Services Contract for our landfill. The cost is the same as last year of \$ 2541. As per resolution # 87 of 2019 Authorizing the Supervisor to sign contracts for fiscal year 2020 for which funds were budgeted. Supervisor DeZalia will sign and execute the contract.

### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

The Highway department has been busy with snow and ice removal. The Highway department has had a few breakdowns and repairs needed to the plow trucks. The Town has received one complaint about someone not being able to park in Wolf Pond parking lot. The county had placed a sign there in the fall stating” NOT FOR USE IN WINTER” “SNOW PLOW TURN AROUND” The sign was put up by ECDPW therefor complaint has been forwarded it on to them. Highway Superintendent Duntley will be assisting on the FEMA submission also.

### **TRANSFER STATION**

On January 24, Supervisor DeZalia wrote a letter to the business that had brought their trash to the transfer station. There has been no response to date.

### **CODE ENFORCEMENT**

No report from Jon Senecal.

Supervisor DeZalia has sent correspondence to the North Hudson Town Attorney regarding the Code Complaint. Supervisor DeZalia is waiting on written response and course of action from him.

### **SUPERVISORS CLERK**

Cassandra Is attending the Association of Towns Conference in NYC.

Cassandra and Jan and the Youth Committee held a Valentine’s Day Party on Sunday February 9<sup>th</sup>. There were approximately 7or 8 children in attendance. Cassandra has been working on finalizing the AUD (Annual Update Document) that will need to be submitted by the end of the month.

## **COURT:**

No Report

## **TOWN CLERK**

Martha is attending the Associations of Towns Conference also. She has been working on organizing her office, revamping the minutes and resolutions. The Town has never had list of all the Resolutions before, we now will have a listing of all resolutions making it more efficient in locating a resolution rather than going through each month's minutes searching for them. This will be going on the website as well.

## **County Reports**

On February 3, 2020 Supervisor DeZalia at the county regular meeting offered up a resolution encouraging Legislature and the Governor to make it a priority to the continued development of the Frontier Town properties. Supervisor would like the North Hudson Town Board to also pass the same. They have bi-weekly phone conferences with ESD, DEC, and County officials discussing progress moving forward, accomplishments and next steps. Supervisor DeZalia stated we are at a critical time in the project and need the State's support and assistance.

## **RESOLUTION #27-2020**

Resolution Encouraging Legislature and Government Andrew Cuomo to make it a priority to allocate funds from the 2020 Budget for the continued redevelopment and implementation of the Tourism Hub that will serve as a gateway to the Gateway of the Adirondacks at Exit 29/ Frontier Town Project, North Hudson. So moved by Robert Dobie and seconded by Maureen Marsden.  
Roll call vote Ayes -4, Noes-0

At the January 21<sup>st</sup> meeting Supervisor DeZalia addressed the Board about the Essex County Hazard Mitigation Plan. It has been approved by FEMA and they are now waiting on The North Hudson Resolution to adopt the plan. Supervisor DeZalia addressed a few of the mistakes and we will be sent the new corrected pages for it.

### **RESOLUTION #28 – 2020**

Resolved that the Town of North Hudson hereby adopt the Essex County 2019 Hazard County 2019 Hazard Mitigation Plan of the Town of North Hudson.

So moved by Maureen Marsden seconded by Brian Caza.

Roll call vote Ayes-4-Noes-0

Supervisor DeZalia received an email from Jenni Lou of the Sun to renew our ad in the North Country Living Magazine Spring edition. The cost is the same as last year \$267.00 with a few minor changes.

### **Resolution #29-2020**

Resolved for Supervisor DeZalia to place the 3 block ad in the spring edition of the North Country Living Magazine to run on March 21<sup>st</sup> for the cost of \$267.00

Motion to approve by Maureen Marsden and seconded by Robert Dobie.

Roll Call Ayes-4 Noes-0

With great sadness Supervisor DeZalia made the following resolutions of condolences.

### **Resolution # 30-2020**

Resolution of condolences to the family of Roscoe “Stanley” Herrick who passed away at his home on January 19,2020 at the age of 72.

So moved by Robert Dobie and a unanimous second.

### **Resolution #31 -2020**

Resolution of condolences to the family of Bonnie Thompson who passed away on February 5,2020.

So moved by Maureen Marsden and a unanimous second.

### **Resolution # 32-2020**

Resolution of condolences to the family of Anna “Petie” Drake Haynes who passed away in her North Hudson home on February 8<sup>th</sup>,2020.

So moved by Robert Dobie and a unanimous second.

### **Approve abstracts for General Funds**

Motion to approve General and Highways Fund after review by Maureen Marsden and seconded it by Robert Dobie.

Roll call vote Ayes-4 Noes-0.

### **Audit Judges financial report.**

Motion to approve by Maureen Marsden and seconded by Robert Dobie.

Roll call vote Ayes 4-Noes -0

### **Privilege of the Floor**

Discussion from Mr. Plumstead regarding North Hudson separation for Citizen of the year.

Concern was discussed of when there is no power there is no heat for the transfer station attendant. Possible options were discussed.

Also discussion on snow removal at transfer station.

Discussion on possibly using the parking lot at Frontier Town for the North Hudson Car Show. There were questions on use of parking lot and access of electric power being available.

Mr. Plumstead brought up his issue stating he is willing to send an email to Town Supervisor Stephanie DeZalia, Town Attorney John Silvestri and Codes Enforcement officer Jon Senecal with his intentions to keep a cover on any unlicensed vehicles he owns which is 3 and his pile of scrap metal. Mr. Plumstead stated is not able to cover customer's cars.

He does plan to put up a fence and plant some trees between neighbors Randy Bessey's property and his. Eventually Mr. Plumstead plans to place an unattached building between the house and the garage.

Mr Plumstead was asked by Supervisor DeZalia to send her an email stating all above and cc: it to Mr. Senecal and Mr. Silvestri.

Discussion on a beautification committee, Mr. Plumstead stated he is willing to work with them.

Discussion on a plan for the Highway equipment.

Mr. Plumstead announced that his son Cole has joined the Oregon National Guard and leaves for basic training March 17, 2020.

**Resolution #33-2020**

Resolution of Congratulations to Cole Plumstead upon joining the Oregon National Guard, he will be reporting for basic training effective March 17, 2020.  
So moved Maureen Marsden seconded by Brian Caza.  
Roll call vote Ayes- 4 Noes-0

Motion to adjourn at 6:50 by Robert Dobie seconded by Maureen Marsden  
So Moved Ayes 4- Noes-0

Respectfully Submitted,  
Martha M. King  
Town Clerk