



Mayor: Robert Allen  
Deputy Mayor: Robert Ryan

Trustees: Deb Alter, Robert Decker, Kevin O'Malley,  
Doug Sauer, and Dan Schuttig

Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**Village of Hoosick Falls Board of Trustees**  
**Regular Meeting – Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Location: New Highway Garage – 7 Waterworks Road

**DRAFT AGENDA**

**6:00PM: Open the Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence.**

**Roll Call**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

- **Public Hearing** regarding Proposed Local Law A of 2023, a local law establishing a vacant and abandoned building registry.

**Motion** to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

*(Motion to end executive session)*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & CORESPONDANCES**

1. HF Alliance Church is holding a church service in Wood Park on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023. It will be called Pancakes, Praise and Prayer. Contact Number for questions is 518-390-4986
2. Kay Powers would like to speak regarding the Cheney Library.

**MAYOR UPDATES**

1. **Appointment of new Village Clerk** – For the past couple of weeks, the Village has been without a Village Clerk, as our former clerk Marie O'Neil retired from the position at the end of May. On the agenda this evening is a resolution to appoint the new Village Clerk. The Board has chosen **Clarissa Mango** as the new Village Clerk for the Village of Hoosick Falls. Clarissa will officially start in her role on July 10<sup>th</sup>.
  - a. The Board wants to extend our thanks to Treasurer Denise McMahon and Deputy Clerk Judy VanDerKar for keeping the Village Office working without a Village Clerk and taking on the additional workload for the past couple of weeks, as well as our part-time data entry clerk Janet Davendonis, who has been (and will continue to) assistance in the office when available.

2. **Appointment of a new Chief of Police for the Hoosick Falls Police Department** – On the agenda tonight is a Resolution to appoint Tim Colaneri as the new Chief of Police. Tim, Colaneri, a recently retired Detective from the Troy Police Department, brings with him a great deal of experience and a passion to serve the community.
  - a. The Board wants to thank **Officer-In-Charge Paul Aleksonis** for leading the Hoosick Falls Police Department for the past 18 months. We are grateful for his leadership and commitment to the Police Department and our community.
  
3. **Water Improvement Grant Pursuit:** For over a year, the Village has worked with Delaware Engineering to pursue multiple avenues of state and federal grant monies for water infrastructure improvements. The full scope of the project would, among other things, include water storage improvements, replacing older water lines, and installing new water mains. Most of the requirements for funding for water infrastructure improvements include an Engineering Report (which is complete) and a Bond Resolution (on tonight’s agenda) for the maximum estimated project cost (\$7M). By moving forward with this Bond Resolution the Village is not setting a requirement to definitively take on a \$7M Bond, but merely setting up the possibility to do so. It is not the Board’s intention to move forward with substantial debt, nor are we setting a requirement to do all aspects of this project. On the contrary, we are moving forward with a path that would qualify the Village for substantial state and federal financial awards to fund these improvements.

**PEOPLE TO BE HEARD**

**REPORTS**

- Police
- Code Enforcement
- Treasurer
- Clerk/Deputy Clerk
- Highway/DPW
- Sewer
- Water

**MINUTES**

**TRUSTEE/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Discussion/Review** of ARPA fund status.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Motion** to approve the application for correction of multiple-parcel errors on village property tax bills. (*Rensselaer county did not calculate the cold war exemptions properly. The 12 bills were corrected and sent to the property owners along with a letter from Rensselaer County tax director Deborah McGrath.*)

*Proposed Local Law B of 2023*

- **Introduction of Local Law B of 2023**, a Local Law disallowing “junk vehicles” in the Village of Hoosick Falls under certain circumstances and establishing penalties for offenses.
- **Discussion.**
- **Motion** to set a public hearing.

*Proposed Local Law C of 2023*

- **Introduction of Local Law C of 2023**, a Local Law Establishing a Property Maintenance Code for the Village of Hoosick Falls.
- **Discussion.**
- **Motion** to set a public hearing.

*Water Storage and Water Main Replacement Project*

- **RESOLUTION** authorizing water system improvements in and for the Village of Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer County, New York, at a maximum estimated cost of \$7,000,000 and authorizing, subject to maximum estimated cost of \$7,000,000 serial bonds of said Village to pay the cost thereof.
- **RESOLUTION** Approving a WIIA Funding Application regarding Lead Removal and Water Storage Upgrades

*Hoosick Falls Police Department*

- **RESOLUTION** appointing a Police Chief for the Village of Hoosick Falls Police Department.

**Discussion** regarding the Fourth Ward playground.

**Discussion** regarding Cheney Library.

**Motion** to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel matters (with no business to be conducted at the conclusion of Executive Session).

**MOTION** to adjourn.