



Mayor: Robert Allen
Deputy Mayor: Robert Ryan

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

Wednesday, August 16th, 2023

Village of Hoosick Falls Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting – Wednesday, August 16th, 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CORESPONDANCES

1. Jim Monahan of the Town of Hoosick Rescue Squad will give an update to the Board.

MAYOR UPDATES

1. **Landfill Leachate** – Update
2. **New Wells and Water Supply Update** (OU-2 – as required by DEC's Record of Decision)
 - a. **DEC Fact Sheet** published today
 - b. **Informational Update** on progress made and the projected work/schedule
3. **Former Oak Mitsui/First Street site** – Village's intention to pursue acquisition of the property
4. **Veteran's Banner's in the Village of Hoosick Falls** – The Village is teaming up with Kevin Miller of Rensselaer County Veteran Affairs to work towards getting Veteran Banners hung within the Village. Trustee Bobby Decker is taking this on for the Village, with our thanks and support.
5. **Former Monolith Solar/now SunLight General Solar Panels** – informational update
6. **Water Infrastructure Grant Applications with Delaware Engineering** – the grant applications have been submitted to both the DWSRF (Drinking Water State Revolving Fund) and the WIIA (Water Infrastructure Improvement).
7. **Murphy Building/Senior Center** –
 - a. All correspondences regarding the situation are available for review at the meeting and remain available on the Village website, including the Inspection Report on the building that Rensselaer County leadership continues to misrepresent in social media posts.
 - b. Apart from any information that the County posts on their social media page, the Village has no further information or updates on the Murphy Building. The County has signaled via social media that they hope to reopen the downstairs as

soon as next week, but that remains their decision. Any questions regarding the condition and a re-opening of the downstairs should be directed to Rensselaer County.

- c. The County has stated they are now focused on bringing a state-of-the-art facility to the newly purchased former Dollar Tree in the Town of Hoosick.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

REPORTS

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

MINUTES

Minutes are available for approval from the July 12th Regular Meeting and the August 7th Emergency Meeting.

TRUSTEE/COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Trustee Alter
- Trustee Decker
- Trustee O’Malley
- Trustee Sauer
- Trustee Schuttig
- Deputy Mayor Ryan

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion/Review of ARPA fund status.

- Discussion regarding Cheney Library’s request for funding from the June meeting.
- Discussion/review of possible other projects

NEW BUSINESS

Water Supply Development

- **RESOLUTION** authorizing the payment of invoices through a third-party funded escrow account pertaining to the development of new water supply wells and associated infrastructure for the Village

- *Note: this is the 2nd resolution using this approach to pay for Engineering and Legal fees specific to the Village’s review and participation in the production of two new wells and a new water supply line required by DEC’s Record of Decision. These payments come out of an Escrow Account funded by Honeywell and Saint-Gobain, as per an agreement between the Village and the companies from May of 2023. The previous resolution was at the 7/12 Meeting.*

Motion to authorize the Mayor to sign and send a letter to NYS Office of Cannabis Management in support of Loving Buds LLC, for a Cannabis Growers Showcase on August 26th in Wood Park as per the Cannabis Growers Showcase Guidance policy, retroactive to August 10th, 2023 (*note: when the originally scheduled August 9th Board Meeting was moved, it was moved past the August 10th deadline for the letter to be received*)

Motion to authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement between the Village, LaBella, and Sterling Environmental to authorize work on the Landfill Leachate pumps estimated to cost between \$15,000 and \$20,000, retroactive to August 9th, 2023 (*note: LaBella and Sterling Environmental were ready to move forward after the originally scheduled August 9th Board Meeting, and waiting to the newly schedule August 16th Regular Meeting week would have caused even longer delays*)

RESOLUTION authorizing the sale of certain surplus village equipment.

DISCUSSION about Holiday Decorations (Trustee Alter)

MOTION to schedule a Special Meeting for Wednesday, August 30th at 6PM.

MOTION to reschedule the public hearing related to the unsafe structure at 18 John Street to Wednesday, August 30th at 6PM at the Village Highway Garage.

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

MOTION to adjourn.