



December 2023 Department Reports

Submitted to the Board of Trustees for approval at the January 10th 2023 Board Meeting

HOOSICK FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Calls/Arrest Overview

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Calls	167	206	287	289	357	245	288	335	263	242	271	160
<i>Total for 2022*</i>	167	366	653	942	1,299	1,544	1,832	2,167	2430	2672	2943	3103
<i>Total for 2021</i>	109	214	356	483	664	805	961	1105	1237	1331	1420	1554
<i>Total for 2020</i>	116	262	381	508	667	835	963	1091	1204	1310	1399	1488
<i>Total for 2019</i>	137	252	366	482	631	782	939	1086	1207	1344	1470	1608
<i>Total for 2018</i>	109	207	303	408	517	632	769	873	986	1102	1207	1317
<small>* = New approach for counting calls began being used in January of 2022. This new approach reflects nearly every call, even non-emergency calls.</small>												
Arrests	3	4	7	6	6	7	7	8	13	5	8	6
<i>Total for 2022</i>	3	7	14	20	26	33	40	48	61	66	74	80
<i>Total for 2021</i>	7	22	27	32	40	48	50	58	64	68	71	73
<i>Total for 2020</i>	13	27	35	38	44	49	60	67	73	81	88	89
<i>Total for 2019</i>	18	33	44	56	77	85	98	105	118	134	146	153
<i>Total for 2018</i>	10	19	24	30	36	59	83	102	124	141	157	164

Note: During 2022, calls were catalogued from meeting date to meeting date. December's calls were catalogued from the December meeting to the end of December. In 2023, call cataloguing will return to a month-by-month report.

DECEMBER ARRESTS: (6) – (4) Domestic Related

1 – Reckless Endangerment – 2nd – (Domestic); Harassment – 2nd; Grand Larceny - Auto

2 – DWI – 1st Offense; Assault – 3rd

3 – Bench Warrant – Washington County Sheriff's Department

4 – Criminal Mischief – Damage Property – (Domestic); Criminal Contempt – 2nd; Harassment – 2nd; Obstructing Governmental Administration

5 – Criminal Contempt – 2nd – (Domestic); (Subject arrested 2nd time in the same night from # 4 above)

6 – Arson – 3rd – Damage Property – (Domestic); Reckless Endangerment

Police Vehicle Overview

VEHICLE MILEAGE	NOV	DEC	JAN	MILEAGE, last month	MAINTENANCE
502	12810	13874	14811	937	Good
503	85592	85727	85766	39	Good / Need to have electric switch that moves the seat looked at
504	81601	82098	83917	1819	Good
505	82472	84691	85829	1138	Still waiting on Muffler – Heather Fan Control Switch was Repaired. Steering Wheel Locking Mechanism to be looked at.

FOR THE LAST MONTH (Dec 13th – last board meeting- to Dec 31st) THERE HAVE BEEN 162 CALLS FOR SERVICE IN THE VILLAGE. 160 WERE HANDLED BY HFPD AND 1 BY RC SO AND 1 BY NYSP.

18 ADMIN CALLS	28 INVESTIGATIONS/FOLLOW UPS
3 ANIMAL COMPLAINTS	1 LARCENY
8 ASSIST FIRE	3 MENTAL HEALTH
28 ASSIST EMS CALLS	1 MISSING PERSONS
2 BURGLARY ALARMS	2 PROPERTY DAMAGE ACCIDENTS
2 CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	7 PUBLIC ASSISTS
8 DISTURBANCE CALLS	3 SUSPICIOUS VEHICLES
4 DOMESTICS	23 TRAFFIC STOPS
1 DRIVING COMPLAINTS	6 WELFARE CHECKS
4 HARASSMENT	10 911 HANG UP CALLS

OF THESE CALLS HFPD WAS ASSISTED BY RC SO WITH 4 CALLS AND NYSP WITH 6 CALLS

THE VILLAGE PATROLS ALSO ASSISTED OUT SIDE THE VILLAGE 5 TIMES IN THE LAST (MONTH)

1 ADMIN
 1 ASSIST EMS CALLS
 1 LARCENY
 1 PROPERTY DAMAGE ACCIDENT
 1 PUBLIC ASSISTS

THIS IS A TOTAL OF 165 SEPARATE RESPONSES FOR THE VILLAGE PATROLS

JUST FOR A COMPARISON THERE WERE 32 CALLS IN THE TOWN IN THE SAME TIME PERIOD

15 BY NYSP - 17 BY RC SO

OTHER:

- Looking to do interviews soon to send 2-3 people to the next academy at the Albany County Sheriff's Department which starts in this month.
- Update on New Evidence System – ARPA Funds ??
- 2 recruits (Dupras and Waters) range training and qualified using department handguns.
- HFPD along with Rensselaer County Cause & Origin investigated the HF Country Club Fire.
- Will be scheduling training for New Tasers soon.
- TV Monitor for Tri-Tech System (CAD) installed in police office.
- New computer installed in police office.

(The October2022 report was missing the call data. Here is that missing data)

FOR THE LAST MONTH THERE HAVE BEEN 263 CALLS FOR SERVICE IN THE VILLAGE. 256 WERE HANDLED BY HFPD AND 5 BY RCSO 2 BY NYSP.

38 ADMIN CALLS	1 LARCENY
5 ANIMAL COMPLAINTS	1 MENTAL HEALTH
7 ASSIST FIRE	1 MISSING PERSONS
39 ASSIST EMS CALLS	3 PARKING COMPLAINTS
1 ASSISTS ANOTHER AGENCY	5 PROPERTY DAMAGE ACCIDENTS
3 ASSULTS	18 PUBLIC ASSISTS
2 BURGLRY-ACTIVE OR NON-ACTIVE	1 SUSPICIOUS PERSONS
14 DISTURBANCE CALLS	1 SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE
6 DOMESTICS	38 TRAFFIC STOPS
5 DRIVING COPLAINTS	2 TRESPASSING
1 FRAUD COMPLAINT	6 WARRANTS
1 GROUP ANNOYING	12 WELFARE CHECKS
4 HARASSMENT	7 911 HANG UP CALLS
34 INVESTIGATIONS/FOLLOW UPS	

OF THESE CALLS HFPD WAS ASSISTED BY RCSO WITH 13 CALLS AND NYSP WITH 6 CALLS

THE VILLAGE PATROLS ALSO ASSISTED OUTSIDE THE VILLAGE 19 TIMES IN THE LAST MONTH

1 ADMIN	1 SHOTS FIRED
1 ANIMAL COMPLAINT	1 TRAFFIC ACCIDENT
4 DISTURBANCE	4 V&T COMPLAINTS
1 DOMESTIC	1 WELFARE CHECK
1 INVESTIGATION/FOLLOWUPS	1 911 HANGUP/OPEN LINES
3 MENTAL HEALTH	

THIS IS A TOTAL OF 275 SEPARATE RESPONSES FOR THE VILLAGE PATROLS

JUST FOR A COMPARISON THERE WERE 89 CALLS IN THE TOWN IN THE SAME TIME PERIOD

39 BY NYSP - 50 BY RCSO

Respectfully submitted by Paul Aleksonis, Officer-In-Charge
Village of Hoosick Falls Police

DEPARTMENT OF CODE ENFORCEMENT

December 2022 CEO/BSI Report

- Building Permits Issued- 0
- Building Permits Closed- 1
- Building Permits Expired- 1
- Total Active Building Permits- 39
- Stop Work Order(s) Issued- 0
- Various Inspections- 10
- Complaints/Inspections Opened- 7
- Complaints/Inspections Closed- 6
- Total Active Complaints/Inspections- 68
- Fire Calls- 2
- Police Calls- 0
- Pre Tenant-Inspections- 1
- Biannual Inspections- 2

Active Village Court Cases as of 12/31/2022;

1. Marshall 59 Church St. - Bench Warrant Issued.
2. Daniel- 18 John St. new case structural issues.
3. Farrara- 59 Classic St. Bench Warrant Issued for Failure to Appear.

Homes that are Red Tagged as Uninhabitable as of 12/31/2022;

1. 46 River Road- Another new owner, this one from Texas, I have met with him.
2. 7 1st St. – (Hudson) Vacant Abandoned
3. 76 1st St. - (Sheldon) Vacant Zombie Bank Owned.
4. 51 Hoosick St. (Dufty) Vacant & bank owned.
5. 1 Lyman St. (Teleford) I have spoken to new owner. Clean up and rehab work to begin soon.
6. 26 Water St. – Court Case complete, has new owner, not much recent activity.
7. 57 Center St. – (Galvin) Vacant
8. 15 Spring St.- (Avlon) Bank owned Vacant
9. 32 3rd St.- (Schwartz) Vacant, has another new owner, Building Permit for Rehab has been issued and the rehab work has begun.
10. 20 Elm St.- (Capano) Property recently sold again. **Mayor Allen is working on.**
11. 30 Madison St. (Weatherwax) Vacant, some cleanup has been completed.
12. 1 Center ST. (Saiid) Rensselaer County involved.
13. 74 1st St. (O'Donnell) Vacant
14. 19 5th St. (Harrington) Bank Owned Vacant
15. 18 High St. (Philpsak) Recently sold again. Rehab has begun, converting to a single family.
16. 167 Church St. (Paz) County Auction purchased that owner has done nothing with.
17. 63 River Rd. (Perry) in foreclosure.
18. 8 Troy St.- Tree fell on home, no power. Meters are on the house.
19. 49 River St.- Bank has ownership, met with Property Preservation on site 7/6.

20. 17 Willow St. (Kaukas) Interior Municipal Water Leak, found rook is and has been leaking in several locations within the home.

Other Vacant Properties that I have open Code Cases;

1. 97 Classic St. Abandoned (McGovern)
2. 16 Lyman St. Abandoned (Lawton)
3. 101 RR Ave. Abandoned (Harris)
4. 24 Lyman St. Vacant New Owner I met with him Friday morning. Has a new roof, Building Permit for Rehab has been issued.

Unsafe Structures Do Not Enter:

1. 1 Center St. (Saiid) Foreclosure status has been cleared, hopefully we will see activity soon.

Request to take Village Board Action on the following;

1. 48 Classic St. foundation wall collapse & unsafe sidewalk.
2. 1 Center St.

Notes: Thank you for all the well wishes !! As of 1/5 I have returned to work on a limited bases as I recover from back surgery. If all goes well I should be back to full time by the end of January.

Respectfully submitted by Mark E. Surdam
Code Enforcement Officer & Building Safety Inspector

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Submitted monthly NYS retirement report
- Correspondence and emails regarding Woods Brook Buyout grant
- Spreadsheets regarding CSEA and UPSEU Union negotiations
- Renew Flood BANs 12/16/22, \$91,171.61 taxable at rate of 7.25% and \$156,045.14 non taxable at rate of 5.25%
- Correspondence with bond counsel regarding financing of \$450,000 Bond Resolution in connection with settlement
- Coding and data entry for monthly invoices to be paid
- Received new renewal MVP health insurance rates effective 2/1/23, reflects 10.9% increase
- Compiling information to complete 1099 and w-2 for 2022 as well as quarterly reports

Respectfully submitted by Denise McMahon
Village Treasurer

VILLAGE CLERK/DEPUTY CLERK REPORT

- Processing the December utility bill payments
- December bills are due January 11th without penalty
- Processing e-checks and credit card payments weekly for the utility bills
- Researching Birth/Death records
- Processing Death Certificates
- Issuing handicapped signs
- Updated property changes received for this month a total of 6

Respectfully submitted by Marie O'Neil
Village Clerk

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

The village DPW has been doing numerous tasks throughout the past month.

- Christmas tree pick up has started and run through mid-February. Trees can also be taken at the village transfer station.
- Equipment and truck repairs has been an ongoing thing.
- We have had multiply storms to plow or sand.
- NORTH END TRAIL, the north end is pretty much completed except for the spreading of stone dust in the spring. All materials have been purchased before Dec.31 so the project should be able to start closing out.
- Doing weekly garbage can pick up. This should be put into the contract with residential pick up.
- Annual transfer station cleaning.
- Delt with ice issues during the country club fire.
- Started annual pothole patrol with cold patching.
- Patched the sidewalk on Classic Street due to a person tripping and getting hurt.

JANUARY 26,2023 Is my last day as a full time personnel, as stated to the Mayor I will be willing to remain as part-time to assist in helping Kenny transfer in and switch over certain email stuff that needs to switched to Ken.

Just a few things to remember for things to be done or worked on.

- Phone system at the garage needs to be completed. We are paying for Spectrum but still working off the verizon number.
- Main Street fencing for the demo properties. still waiting on the arrival.

- Computer for the FOB system is still among the missing.
- The board needs to address the intersection parking issues through out the village..
- Budget Numbers need to be worked on. Just noting if you don't raise taxes you better increase the vehicle repair numbers. I know that I'm over this year due to not replacing any big trucks.
- The Board needs to rely on the village Mechanic his opinion about vehicles. He is highly qualified and that was the purpose of hiring him to help save money.
- I had Denise send out a Proposal for retirees with longevity and stuff as far as health insurance. This was sort of towards the employees who's taken pride and dedicated to the jobs for the village.
- Our probation employees have met their probation time and are recommended for full employee status.

Signing off for the LAST Board Meeting.

It has been an Honor to work with and for such an Amazing Hometown Village I grew up in. I have seen so many changes going on from when I was a little squirt to the present. I will miss working with a crew of guys that are willing to go above and beyond the call of duty. My final words of wisdom: RESPECT and HONOR those who you work with because they will do the same to you.

Respectfully submitted by Niel Stowell
DPW Superintendent

SEWER DEPARTMENT

- Did all monthly maintenance on sewer equipment [blowers, fine screen, decanters, etc]
- Monthly sampling
- Monthly paper work for DEC
- All maintenance at pump stations
- Working with highway
- Snow plowing
- J.A. Bradleys here to fix VFD drive for SBR blower
- Getting ready for ABC exam
- Repairing wiring junction boxes at sewer plant
- Waste hauler billing-202,400gallons

SEWER	June '22	July '22	Aug '22	Sept '22	Oct '22	Nov '22
<i>Gallons Delivered '22-'23:</i>	280,050 gal	178,150 gal	259,400 gal	224,900	254,700	220,550
<i>Monthly Income '22-'23:</i>	\$14,002.50	\$8,907.50	\$12,970	\$11,245	\$12,735	\$11,027.50
<i>Income YTD – '22-'23:</i>	\$14,002.50	\$22,910	\$35,880	\$47,215	\$59,950	\$70,977.50

<i>Income YTD – '21-'22:</i>	<i>\$11,137.50</i>	<i>\$22,637.50</i>	<i>\$35,460.00</i>	<i>\$50,135.00</i>	<i>\$64,862.50</i>	<i>\$77,790.00</i>
<i>Income YTD – '20-'21:</i>	<i>\$12,172.50</i>	<i>\$22,042.50</i>	<i>\$32,405.00</i>	<i>\$46,067.50</i>	<i>\$59,300.50</i>	<i>\$69,195.50</i>
<i>Income YTD – '19-'20:</i>	<i>\$10,947.00</i>	<i>\$26,052.00</i>	<i>\$40,829.50</i>	<i>\$56,402.00</i>	<i>\$73,477.00</i>	<i>\$86,427.00</i>
SEWER	Dec '22	Jan '23	Feb '23	Mar '23	April '23	May '23
<i>Gallons Delivered '21-'22:</i>	202,400 gal					
<i>Monthly Income '21-'22:</i>	\$10,120					
<i>Income YTD – '21-'22:</i>	\$81,097.50					
<i>Income YTD – '21-'22:</i>	<i>\$85,880.00</i>	<i>\$90,495.00</i>	<i>\$93,712.50</i>	<i>\$99,375.00</i>	<i>\$109,027.50</i>	<i>\$115,782.50</i>
<i>Income YTD – '20-'21:</i>	<i>\$77,076.75</i>	<i>\$82,601.75</i>	<i>\$85,806.75</i>	<i>\$92,404.25</i>	<i>\$105,509.25</i>	<i>\$116,101.75</i>
<i>Income YTD – '19-'20:</i>	<i>\$95,034.50</i>	<i>\$101,389.50</i>	<i>\$105,274.50</i>	<i>\$113,697.00</i>	<i>\$131,124.50</i>	<i>\$144,034.50</i>

Respectfully submitted by Ken Holbrook
Waste Water Treatment Plant Operator

WATER DEPARTMENT

- Regular maintenance throughout plant including: cleaning of filter units, calibration of chemical feed pumps, daily rounds and checks including lab tests, cleaning of chemical equipment, grounds maintenance and necessary repairs to distribution system.
- Monthly bacteriological water samples sent to Bender Lab.
- December 1 – CT Male sampling GAC.
- December 9 – Surpass chemical delivery – 300 gal. Sodium Hypochlorite.
- December 12 – Plugged sewer main on Ball St.
- December 21 – Meeting w/ Honeywell, CT Male, CHA, village, etc. for proposed new water source and well field.
- December 23 – Fire at HFCC.

Submitted by Francis J. Hurlburt
Superintendent, Water