

**TOWN OF NORTH HUDSON
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 9, 2015**

The Meeting was opened at 6:30 PM by the Supervisor, Ronald Moore, who led the assembly in the Salute to the Flag.

Present with the Supervisor were Board Members Laureen DeZalia, Marshall Gero, Robert Dobie and Donald Dresser. Also present was the Town Clerk, Sarah Vinskus.

Guests present were Brian Caza and Bruce Caza.

The Town Clerk read the Minutes of the June 11th Meeting.

Laureen DeZalia moved and was seconded by Robert Dobie to accept the Minutes as amended.

Bruce Caza spoke and said that he felt that he was entitled to health insurance and if the Town denied him he was going to go to court. Marshall Gero spoke up and said that he felt both Bruce and he were entitled to health insurance.

Mr. Moore said that both the County Attorney and the Attorney for the Town have researched this matter and both have come to the conclusion that neither party is entitled to the insurance and that furthermore, in February, 2015, Resolution #38 was passed by the Town Board with the conclusion that this health insurance question had been handled by the Employees Handbook.

The Grace Peak Celebration was a success and seemed to be enjoyed by all present.

Mr. Moore said that he had appointed a committee to study our roads and make recommendations for both long and short terms. Mr. Moore met with the Superintendent of Highways, Kevin Duntley, Mr. Dobie and Mr. Gero to go over their findings. Mr. Duntley said that he had scarified Elk Lake Road and that he suggested the use of liquid calcium on Elk Lake Road and Greenough Road. Duntley Road needs to be redone.

Mr. Duntley also said that he would like to purchase a new plow and wing for the 2003 truck.

Hazardous Wasted Day will be held on July 11th in North Hudson from 8:00 AM until 3:00 PM.

Mr. Moore said that he has gotten complaints about non-residents using our landfill.

Tish Biesemeyer says that she anticipates an increase of 16.8% in the cost of Health Insurance.

Resolution #65 of 2015

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE 2015 CONSOLIDATED FUNDING APPLICATION FOR THE FIVE TOWN HUB GRANT BETWEEN THE TOWNS OF INDIAN LAKE, LONG LAKE, MINERVA, NORTH HUDSON AND NEWCOMB.

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Moore, who moved its adoption.

WHEREAS, beginning in 2013, New York State purchased over 161,000 acres from Finch Pruyn and was the largest addition to the State Forest Preserve in 117 years located in the Hudson River Watershed; and

WHEREAS, with more than 80% of the purchase being in the five towns (Indian Lake, Long Lake, Minerva, North Hudson and Newcomb), a bond has been formed to ensure that community development projects would be developed that enhance the recreational opportunities and create an economic benefit.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town of North Hudson fully supports the goals of the consortium and New York State in providing increased recreational opportunities to the five town region; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, through the partnerships, a Hub Grant has been established that will improve our economy and make the Park more desirable for those who live, work and play here; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town of North Hudson fully endorses the application submitted to New York State Office of Parks and Recreation by the Town of Newcomb to enhance our goals.

This resolution was duly seconded by Councilman Robert Dobie, and adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

AYES:	5 votes
NOES:	0 votes
ABSENT:	0

Mr. Moore said there was a copy of a simplified Emergency Action Plan in the Board Members Packets. This is just a quick reference and only supplements the larger plan, not supersedes it. Please review and if there are any recommendations please let him know.

The Highway Department has been prepping Greenough Road for the work to be done there and also is making repairs to Elk Lake Road. In addition they have been working on Ensign Pond as requested by the County as needed. The 9th

Annual Common Ground Alliance 2015 Forum will be held in Long Lake on July 15th and the Supervisor asked for preapproval to attend. The fee is \$30.00.

Schroon Lake Senior Citizens will be having a picnic on Wednesday, July 23. The cost is \$3.50 for those over 60 and \$6.00 for those under 60.

The DEC has two plans being considered that have to do with the state land acquisitions of the former Finch Pruyn properties. One is the Essex Chain Lakes Management Complex Plan on which they have had a public hearing to hear public comments on it in Newcomb at 7 PM Tuesday night and another held tonight in Indian Lake also at 7 PM.

The other plan is the Community Connector Trail Plan for the Towns of Newcomb, Minerva and North Hudson. If anyone is interested Mr. Moore has a copy of the proposed plans.

Resolution #66 of 2015

RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO COUNTY LAW #408-A(2) AND GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW #103(3) and (16) AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE BY ANY OFFICER, BOARD OR AGENCY OF A POLITICAL SUB-DIVISION OR DISTRICT THEREIN OF APPARATUS, MATERIALS, EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES, SERVICES AND REPAIR FROM EXISTING ESSEX COUNTY CONTRACT.

The following resolution was offered by Councilman Dobie, who moved its adoption.

WHEREAS, pursuant to County Law # 408-A2 and General Municipal Law, the Town of North Hudson is desirous of purchasing goods and services from existing Essex County contracts (piggyback); and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of North Hudson is hereby authorized to purchase goods and services from existing Essex County contracts (piggyback) on behalf of the Town of North Hudson.

The resolution was duly seconded by Councilman Dresser, and adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

Councilman Dobie	Aye
Councilman Dresser	Aye
Councilman Gero	Aye
Councilwoman DeZalia	Aye
Supervisor Moore	Aye

Laureen DeZalia moved and was seconded by Marshall Gero to pay the audited vouchers.

General Fund	\$ 7,735.22
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Highway Fund	\$ 8,309.86
Total	\$16,045.18

Marshall Gero moved and was seconded by Robert Dobie to table the Judge's report until they could talk with the court clerk. All voted "Aye".

Brian Caza spoke and said the Fire Department had received a check from the "Forty-sixers".

Donald Dresser moved and was seconded by Marshall Gero for the Board to go into Executive Session at 7:30 PM, for possible litigation. All voted "Aye".

Donald Dresser moved and was seconded by Lauren DeZalia for the Board to move out of Executive Session at 7:45 PM. All voted "Aye".

Robert Dobie moved and was seconded by Marshall Gero to adjourn the Meeting at 7:46 PM. All voted "Aye".

Respectfully submitted.

Sarah Vinskus, Town Clerk