

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on 6/13/16 at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Room of Village Hall.

Present: Mayor John Barton
Trustee Thomas VanAernem
Trustee Robert Cook
Trustee James Gallagher, Jr.
Trustee Joelle Timms
Attorney William Nikas

The Mayor opened the meeting to Public Comment – none was given.

PROCLAMATION

“Honoring PAUL R. LODING”

WHEREAS, Paul R. Loding has faithfully and conscientiously served the Village of Hudson Falls as Village Historian since June 1, 1993; and

WHEREAS, Paul R. Loding has also served this community well in many ways including serving as the Kingsbury Town Historian since 1990, as an Officer for the Washington County Historical Society, as a member of the Hudson Falls Volunteer Fire Department, as a member of the Kingsbury Volunteer Fire Department, and on countless community organizations dedicated to local history and community service.

WHEREAS, Paul R. Loding is the author of *Images of America Kingsbury and Hudson Falls* and has “spent a lifetime pursuing the history of his region of New York”, and

WHEREAS, Paul R. Loding is a lifelong resident of the Village of Hudson Falls and is very proud to say he was also a lifelong resident of 81 Maple Street, and

WHEREAS, Paul R. Loding has provided exemplary and invaluable service to our community for twenty-three (23) years; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Hudson Falls would like to extend its appreciation for his dedicated service to the community and for passing his knowledge of local history on to area students, civic groups and all who were interested.

NOW THEREFORE, on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Hudson Falls, I, John E. Barton, Mayor of the Village of Hudson Falls extend our deepest gratitude and appreciation for **Paul Loding’s** many years of service to the community.

The Mayor noted “if you needed an answer you went to Paul”. Trustee Cook included – when he first came to the Village as a school principal he wanted to start a colonial festival - the first person he called was Paul. Paul was the one who provided the contact information and resources to put together the colonial festival. When sending out invitations, Paul was always the first to respond.

Attorney Nikas advised the Board of Computel Consultants’ review and recommendation for the Cable TV Franchise Agreement. The Board reviewed the proposed letter to TWC outlining the requested revisions to the Franchise Agreement. The current agreement terminates in November, a public hearing will be scheduled prior.

Upon motion made by Trustee VanAernem, seconded by Trustee Cook and carried it is

RESOVLED, that the Village Attorney forward a letter to Time Warner Cable requesting revisions to the proposed Cable Franchise Agreement.

Upon motion made by Trustee Gallagher, seconded by Trustee Timms and carried the minutes of the annual meeting and public hearing of 5/9/16 were approved as read.

Upon motion made by Trustee Timms, seconded by Trustee Cook and carried it is

RESOLVED, that the property located on Feeder Street adjacent to 13 Feeder Street be deemed surplus property, it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the property be deeded to John Shaw for \$1,000 with restrictions so that the Village and/or Municipal Agency has the ability to maintain and/or replace the water and sewer lines buried beneath said premises.

The Mayor reported that the plan is to beautify the property by planting grass and creating a yard. Attorney Nikas reported that the deed restrictions are very limiting.

Upon motion made by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Timms and carried it is

RESOLVED, that the office space located in Village Hall known as the Code Office and Mayor's Office be deemed surplus property and not currently needed for municipal purposes and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the office space be marketed for lease at a fair and adequate rent.

Upon motion made by Trustee VanAernem, seconded by Trustee Gallagher and carried it is

RESOLVED, that the Salary Exempt Handbook be revised to increase the timing of tenure payments as well as the dollar increments.

Upon motion made by Trustee Gallagher, seconded by Trustee Timms and carried it is

RESOLVED, that the request of Karen Linendoll to hold the Operation Santa Run on Saturday, November 19, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. be approved as submitted.

Upon motion made by Trustee VanAernem, seconded by Trustee Cook and carried it is

RESOLVED, that the Mayor be authorized to sign the Deed of Gift between the Village and the Commissioner of Education concerning artifacts recovered at the former Griffen Kenyon Lumber Company site. Said artifacts will be retained by the New York State Museum as part of its permanent collection.

Upon motion made by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Timms and carried it is

RESOLVED, that the Board accept the resignation of FT Patrolman John J. Rich effective 6/24/16.

Upon motion made by Trustee VanAernem, seconded by Trustee Gallagher and carried it is

RESOLVED, that the request of Chief Diamond be approved to hire Colin O'Brien and Sean Smith both of Queensbury to the position of PT Patrolman at the rate of \$18.00/hr.

Upon motion made by Trustee VanAernem, seconded by Trustee Cook and carried it is

RESOLVED, that the request of Superintendent Fiorillo be approved to hire Travis Mattison of Kingsbury as a FT MEO/Water Maintenance Man on step with his 5 years of previous employment with the Village.

Upon motion made by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Gallagher and carried, the following monthly reports were approved as read: Police Department, submitted by Chief Diamond; Code Enforcement submitted by Francis Cortese; and Fire Department, submitted by Chief Michael Fitzgerald.

Upon motion made by Trustee VanAernem, seconded by Trustee Cook and carried the following abstracts were audited and ordered for payment:

General Fund	Check Nos.	30066 - 30118
Water Fund	Check Nos.	5559 - 5561
Trust Fund	Check Nos.	6691 - 6699

Upon motion made by Trustee Timms, seconded by Trustee VanAernem and carried the following budget appropriations were approved:

	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
A-1990.4 Contingency	\$1,000.00	
A-7550.4 Celebrations		\$1,000.00

The Mayor reported that the Sandy Hill Farmers Market was well received on Sunday. Additional vendors will be joining as the summer continues.

The Mayor reported he has received positive phone calls regarding the front sign.

Trustee Cook complimented Trustee Timms for her efforts with the Farmers Market. She really is the spirit behind the farmers market – Joelle makes it happen. It started out just as nice as it did last fall. He had a chance to speak to each vendor, all are pleased to be here. All of them remarked on how nice the venue is, how friendly the people are – these remarks say a lot about the community.

Trustee VanAernem echoed the previous remarks and is pleased with the variety our farmers market has to offer.

The Mayor opened the meeting to Public Comment.

Diane Santa Croce inquired as to whether Paul Loding would receive something from the Board with regards to the proclamation. Clerk Brayman advised that a certified Proclamation would be framed and delivered to Mr. Loding.

Superintendent Fiorillo asked if the Board would need to authorize the finalization of the requirements of the Army Corps of Engineers for the Wall Street wet land remediation.

Upon motion made by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Timms and carried it is

RESOLVED, that authorization be granted to conduct the necessary steps to finalize the remediation of the wetland at the Wall Street Pond area and to expend the necessary funds to accomplish same.

Superintendent Fiorillo reported that his men have been working hard to complete the Derby Park playground. He noted there will be a need for enforcement of rules, etc... now that the playground is being used. It is discouraging that there are already people missing the picnic tables. The Mayor asked Chief Diamond to have his men make a real presence at the playground. Derby Park would be a good place for the bike patrol to key on. If we

start from the get-go it may go a long way towards sending a message. Chief Diamond will inform his men accordingly.

John Santa Croce inquired as to the status of the concerts. The concerts will be held in Juckett Park on Thursday beginning July 7th at 7 p.m.


Trustee Gallagher noted that the Board received a nice letter from Mrs. Shine regarding her appreciation to the Village and the Fire Department for their dedication to Matt Shine in the Memorial Day Parade.

Please note a correction from last month's minutes - the Annual MS4 Stormwater Report is available for review on the Village's website at www.villageofhudsonfalls.com. Copies are available at the Village Clerk's Office.

Upon motion made by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Timms and carried the Board entered into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter, Chief Diamond was invited to the Executive Session.

Upon motion made by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Gallagher and carried executive session was closed and the regular meeting continued.

Upon motion made by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Gallagher and there being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.


Ellen M. Brayman, Clerk/Treasurer