

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Hudson Falls was held on January 26, 2022, at 11:30 a.m. in the Conference Room of Village Hall for the purpose of approving an Intermunicipal Agreement with Hudson Falls School District, approval of Budget Appropriations and to conduct such other business that may come before the Board.

Present: Mayor John Barton  
Trustee Robert Cook  
Trustee James Gallagher  
Trustee Michael Horrigan  
Trustee Daniel Hogan  
Attorney William Nikas

At 11:35 a.m. The Mayor opened the meeting beginning with the request for approval of the Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) with Hudson Falls Central School District for the use of Moran-Derby Park. The IMA was sent around to the Trustees for review including Attorney Nikas.

Upon motion made by Trustee Horrigan, seconded by Trustee Gallagher and unanimously carried,

**RESOLVED**, that the Board approve the Intermunicipal Agreement between the Village of Hudson Falls and the Hudson Falls Central School District. As stated in the agreement; the agreement shall be effective on March 1, 2022, and to remain in effect through February 27, 2027.

Mayor requests approval of Budget Appropriations, he informs the Board that this money is being adjusted between various accounts to cover the first payment of the \$217,000 BAN for the Court House property.

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

**RESOLVED**, to authorize proper Budget Appropriations:

	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
A-9015.8.00 Fire and Police Retirement	\$36,364	
A-1990.4.000 Contingency	\$6,591	
A-9930.9.000 Interfund Trans Courthouse		\$42,955
E-5031.00 Interfund Transfer	\$28,615	
E-9710.7.000 Bond Interest	\$11,085	
E-9730.6 BAN Principle		\$39,700
A-1990.4.000 Contingency	\$2,100	
A-4010.4.00 Public Health		\$2,100

**Mayor Comment:**

He informs the Village Board he will unfortunately not be able to make the next meeting being held in February. With regard to Moran-Derby Park, Moran envisioned events being held after the renovation of the park. With that in mind, he plans to be meeting with Marge Randall this week to discuss the possibility of a cheese fair or a market type gathering to be held in the future at Moran-Derby Park. The Mayor also mentions that he has spoken with a gentleman who is involved in ice sculpting. At that time, ideas were discussed of the different possibilities of incorporating ice sculptures and ice themed events that could be held at Derby Park. The Mayor continues, it is not something we would be able to do this year due to the construction, but it may be something that could be discussed for future winters. A brief discussion ensued.

**Board Comments:**

Trustee Cook informs he Board that he has been approached from people at the Adirondack League inquiring about the possibility of being able to hold Sectional games at the park. Attorney Nikas adds that he believes that the Moran brothers are strong supporters to anything sports related. The Mayor agrees that any school related event or even a craft fair would be good for the park. For larger events like a drive-in or a car show, it will have to be determined when it can be used for such events without damaging the field and if the

irrigation system can withhold the weight. The sidewalks are between 4 and 6 feet wide so if we had an event vendors can be along the sidewalks rather than parked on the grass.

Trustee Cook recommends that future discussions of events should include the school district as they will be responsible of maintaining the fields. The Mayor agrees to include them.

Attorney Nikas affirms that this agreement, the new MIA, states the village is responsible for maintaining the field not the school. So, if it gets destroyed due to all of the events, it is on the village to repair. The Mayor adds that they will maintain the field to a certain degree. Trustee Hogan reaffirms that the agreement has the school only responsible for mowing and fertilizing.

The Mayor asserts that other than that, yes, the village will be responsible for the maintenance and any repairs. Trustee Horrigan confidently includes that if the sod and grass has a good root base, it will always come back.

With regard to the clubhouse at the Moran-Derby Park, Mayor Barton says that he has met with Bill and Mike Dickinson, and they are working on a floor plan with Dave Hutchinson. Attorney Nikas says we will need those plans to get an idea of what work needs to be done and the different types of donations that can be accepted. Trustee Horrigan says that he believes we will be doing a lot better with donations once we are able to be non-profit once everything goes through for that.

The next meeting will be held on February 14, 2022, at 6:00 pm

Upon motion made by Trustee Gallagher, seconded by Trustee Horrigan and there being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

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Cassandra Allen, Village Clerk-Treasurer