

VILLAGE OF HEUVELTON
Regular Board Meeting
August 9, 2017

At 6:00 pm, Mayor Lashua called the meeting to order. Mayor Lashua opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance. Trustees in attendance were E. Wood; C. Basford and A. Guardino. W. Knowlton was absent. Also in attendance were; S. McConnell, DANC; T. Murray, DPW Superintendent; J. Lightfoot, SLC Legislator. C. Tuttle, DANC, arrived at 6:45 pm and M. Basford, HVFD, Chief arrived at 7:55 pm.

HVFD Report M. Basford, Chief, informed the Board that we were still waiting for the grant money for the fire truck. The committee for the lawn mower races is still working on the details for Labor Day. The new trailer is at Stadium International, Watertown, waiting on paperwork.

Public Forum The Mayor introduced J. Lightfoot, SLC Legislator. Mr. Lightfoot informed the Board that there would be a property sale auction on September 9, 2017 at 10:00 am. Worker's compensation rates will increase January 1, 2018. The Village of Heuvelton's rate increase will be approximately \$6,000. The cell phone tax was voted down. A new draft policy for construction and demolition materials and organics for Solid Waste is being written. A grant for a half million dollars was received to pay for the continued work at the J & L building.

The Mayor introduced C. Tuttle, DANC. Mrs. Tuttle discussed with the Board the possibility of running sewer lines to Ogdensburg. An Inter-municipal agreement is needed. This project will involve Ogdensburg, Heuvelton and Oswegatchie. An application needs to be filed with the Municipal Restructuring Fund. This will be strictly grant money for a study to run all sewage to Ogdensburg in pipes. There is a 5 year planning window for this. Mrs. Tuttle will put a proposal together for costs from DANC and C2ae to go ahead with the application process and have this ready for the September Board meeting. Mrs. Tuttle left at 7:45 pm.

Sewer/Water The WWTP is running well. There was a problem with chemical testing at Converse Labs. New samples were sent out on August 9, 2017. We should be able to haul to Watertown next week. We will be hauling 3 loads a week, 2 loads per day for a total of 6 loads. New bugs will be added to the lagoon this week. The air bubbler stopped working at the Rensselaer Street Lift Station; there was a low voltage issue. An electrician checked it out and there was 107 volts coming in. A new bubbler was ordered. Trustee Guardino will check the phase to phase on Friday. Mr. McConnell left at 6:12 pm.

RESOLUTION 17-055**ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Offered by Mayor Lashua seconded by Tr. Wood. Trs. Basford and Guardino -Aye.

Resolution to enter executive session at 6:58 pm to discuss the employment history and job performance of a particular person.

RESOLUTION 17-056**EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Offered by Mayor Lashua seconded by Tr. Basford. Trs. Wood and Guardino-Aye.

Resolution to exit executive session at 7:12 pm.

Mayor's Report

The Mayor updated the Board on the preparations for the Labor Day Festivities. The Mayor also informed the Board about the Shared Services program and discussed gas and diesel rates. Mr. Murray will contact the County DPW Superintendent to find out the rates that the County gets for fuel. The Board discussed the boat launch area and possibly putting in a stationary pier for fishing that would be perpendicular with the land. There was a discussion about the Village leash law for dogs. There will be a reminder put in the next newsletter that dogs are to be on a leash. The Board discussed using the Boat Launch area for weddings and other (private) events. This will be investigated further and kept on the agenda for follow-up.

Mr. Gebo's office will be closing in June 2018. The SunOpta building was broken into. There were broken windows and fire extinguishers. There are provisions in the Village Code to take care of this and the DPW crew will board up the windows and doors and secure the ladder. There will be blasting for the Brookfield fish ladder on August 21st. Those properties that are involved can have their properties evaluated. The Clerk will send the information about the Local Government Conference to the Planning and Zoning Board to see if they want to attend. The paid Family Medical Leave Act was discussed and Mr. Murray will discuss this with the DPW crew to see if they would like to participate. The caucus went well; Mayor Lashua and Bill Knowlton nominated to run for Mayor and Trustee.

RESOLUTION 17-057

DASNY GRANT DISBURSEMENT #7115 AGREEMENT

Offered by Tr. Guardino, seconded by Tr. Wood. Mayor Lashua and Tr. Basford-Aye.

Resolution to approve the DASNY Grant Disbursement Agreement and all exhibits and attachments. This DASNY Grant Disbursement is for the improvements to the Heuvelton Boat Launch Area in the amount of \$100,000 from the State and Municipal Facilities Program ("SAM").

RESOLUTION 17-058

SECURING SUNOPTA

Offered by Tr. Wood, seconded by Tr. Basford. Mayor Lashua and Tr. Guardino-Aye.

Resolution to have the DPW crew secure the SunOpta building by boarding up the windows and doors and securing the ladder.

Streets/Sidewalks

Mr. Murray let the Board know that we are still waiting on the use of the paver from the Town of Oswegatchie. Discussed with the Board using Sheehan's to pave Justina Street from Rensselaer Street to Annette Street for \$31,000 for material and labor. The DPW crew will be changing a hydrant on Tuesday, August 15th on Rensselaer Street and Lisbon Street by John Heron's residence. The water will be turned off and residents will be notified. Dollar General is still waiting to hear from the DOT on their permit. We are ready to hook up the sewer line when they are ready. The sidewalk in front of Weston's on main street is a blacktopped island and is a safety hazard for falls and trips. Mr. Murray got a price of \$27,000 on a pump for the lagoon.

RESOLUTION 17-059

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Offered by Tr. Basford, seconded by Tr. Guardino. Mayor Lashua and Tr. Wood-Aye.

Resolution to accept the minutes of the 07/12/17 meeting.

RESOLUTION 17-060

VOUCHER APPROVALS

Offered by Tr. Wood, seconded by Tr. Guardino. Mayor Lashua and Tr. Basford-Aye.

Approval of Vouchers

General	081-121	\$24,007.28
Sewer	081-121	\$17,367.19
Water	081-121	<u>\$ 4,660.96</u>
Total		\$ 46,035.43

Other Disbursements: \$ 28,473.25

At 8:07 pm, with no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Tr. Guardino. All were in agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna M. Hurst
Village Clerk