

VILLAGE OF HEUVELTON
Regular Board Meeting
May 14, 2014

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 Wood, Guardino and Thornhill. Tr. Parish was absent. Also in attendance were T. Murray, DPW Superintendent, N. Friot, Chief, HVFD, T. Burley, C2ae, H. Dodds, Zoning Board of Appeals and S. Boutin, North Country Tai Chi.

HVFD Report State Street will be washed by Memorial Day. The Village has still not heard from the Town of Oswegatchie about the fire protection contracts. The Snover easement has been filed at the County. Chief Friot left at 6:15.

RESOLUTION 14-032**RESERVE FUND EXPENDITURE**

Offered by Tr. Thornhill seconded by Mayor Lashua. Tr. Wood and Tr. Guardino-yes.

Resolution to withdraw from the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund a sum not to exceed \$50,000.00 to be used to fund the refurbishing of TA-80.

Sewer/Water All were in compliance.

Public Forum Heather Dodds thanked the Board for allowing Lee Lewandowski and herself to attend the Local Government Conference. Heather gave a brief review on the workshops that they attended. There was a discussion on signage in the Village. A meeting will be organized with the Planning Board to discuss signage in the Village.

The Mayor introduced Sean Boutin from North Country Tai Chi. Mr. Boutin would like to teach Tai Chi at the boat launch area on Monday's and Wednesday's, weather permitting.

Mr. Boutin and Heather Dodds gave a demonstration of Tai Chi. Mr. Boutin will submit a hold harmless, student agreement and release liability waivers for students. Classes will start in the next couple of weeks and will be on Mondays and Wednesdays.

The Mayor introduced Tim Burley, C2ae. Mr. Burley discussed the preconstruction meeting for the sewer rehab project. He said that it was a very productive meeting. Meetings will be the 1st Monday of each month at 10:00 am. The next meeting will be June 2nd at 3:00 pm. The first order of business will be to get a DOT permit to re-televised. He also discussed traffic control for the project. There will also be a sewer rehab meeting on June 4th at 6:00 pm to announce changes in the project. Surveys went out for the Joint Water Project. If the project does not develop the Village will still need another well. Mr. Burley left at 6:55 pm.

Mayors Report The Board will come into the Village office on May 28th by 4:00 to sign end of year vouchers and budget modifications. The Mayor informed the Board that the next Mayor's Association Dinner will be at Violi's in Massena, May 15th. Social hour is at 6:00 pm, Dinner at 6:30 pm. Mayor Lashua will have a meeting with DANC to discuss the quality of service that the Village is receiving from DANC. The Mayor informed the Board that there is going to be a Municipal/Commercial workshop at the Town Hall on May 29th at 7:00 pm if anyone is interested in attending.

RESOLUTION 14-033

SUPPORT OF REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT

Offered by Tr. Guardino seconded by Tr. Guardino. Mayor Lashua yes, Tr. Thornhill abstains.

Whereas, the Village of Heuvelton Board of Trustees hereby expresses its support for the development of a regional water district, and

Whereas, the Village of Heuvelton encourages the City of Ogdensburg to work with the regional water district to secure an affordable source of water,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Village of Heuvelton is committed to working with its community partners to establish said district and achieve mutual interest, and

Be It Further Resolved, that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Town of Oswegatchie, Town of Lisbon, City of Ogdensburg, and the Development Authority of the North Country.

RESOLUTION 14-034

ANTI-TERRORIST COVERAGE

Offered by Tr. Thornhill seconded by Tr. Wood. Tr. Guardino and Mayor Lashua-yes.

Resolution to opt out of the terrorism portion of the Village's liability insurance at a savings of \$400.00.

RESOLUTION 14-035

AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF HEUVELTON TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY ACTION TO ADDRESS A SEWER PIPE COLLAPSE IN THE COLLECTION SYSTEM

Offered by Tr. Guardino seconded by Tr. Wood. Tr. Thornhill and Mayor Lashua-yes.

WHEREAS, the Village of Heuvelton experienced flooding conditions and high water levels in the Oswegatchie River beginning the week of April 7th, and

WHEREAS, the flooding resulted in a section of sewer collection mainline upstream of the Wastewater Treatment Plant to fail as illustrated in Exhibit A, and

WHEREAS, the Village of Heuvelton contacted a local contractor that was able to respond with the necessary equipment to perform the work required, and enlisted services of the Village's contract operator of record the Development Authority of the North Country, and their Engineer C2AE to assist with developing a plan to mitigate the emergency and implement a temporary solution, and

WHEREAS, the Village implemented an emergency project to isolate the damaged sewer collection main by installing sheet piling approximately 25' deep upstream and downstream of the failed pipe, installed bypass pumping around the damaged section of sewer pipe, installed temporary pipe plugs in the upstream and downstream manholes from the damaged pipe section, removed and cleaned debris from the influent channel grinder, wetwell and influent pumps, and

WHEREAS, the channel grinder and the influent pumps sustained damage from gravel and debris entering the wetwell during the emergency and will require rebuilding to repair damage and restore equipment to ensure reliable operation, and

WHEREAS, the Village was required to bypass approximately 430,000 gallons of wastewater from the Wastewater Treatment Plant into the Oswegatchie River for a period of approximately eighteen hours on April 10th to April 11, 2014 during this emergency, and

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County declared a State of Emergency on Tuesday April 15, 2014 as a result of the ongoing flooding and road closures, and

WHEREAS, the temporary solution implemented must be replaced with a permanent solution to replace the damaged section of sewer piping once the Oswegatchie River levels subside to allow the Village's engineer to safety assess the extent of the damage and develop a scope of work, and

WHEREAS, these costs will be incorporated into the existing capital project and submitted to the NYSEFC for reimbursement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Heuvelton does hereby declare a public health emergency for the Village of Heuvelton Sewer System and authorizes and directs the Village Board to proceed with an emergency project to remedy this situation and request approval from the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation to incorporate the temporary and permanent repairs associated with this sewer collection system emergency into their existing/ongoing capital improvement project.

RESOLUTION 14-036

SUMMER RECREATION LEADER

Offered by Tr. Guardino seconded by Tr. Wood. Mayor Lashua and Tr. Thornhill-yes.

Resolution to appoint Kevin Mudge as Recreation Leader for the summer youth program at a salary of \$ 1500.00.

RESOLUTION 14-037

DEMONSTRATING SUPPORT OF THE

DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE NORTH COUNTRY AND PARTNERS' GRANT APPLICATION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY PROGRAM

Offered by Tr. Thornhill seconded by Tr. Wood. Mayor Lashua and Tr. Guardino-yes.

WHEREAS, the Development Authority of the North Country (Authority) and its partners have completed a feasibility study and identified opportunities to consolidate and share Geographic Information System (GIS) within the region, and

WHEREAS, the Authority and its partners have identified the Local Government Efficiency Program (LGEP) as a source of funding to subsidize the cost of implementing the recommendations of the feasibility study, and

WHEREAS, the Village of Heuvelton will directly benefit from the results of the project by having access to a public map viewer, self-service map viewer, and Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) data.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Heuvelton Board of Trustees does hereby authorize its chief elected official to sign a letter of support of the Development Authority of the North Country and its partners' application to the LGEP.

RESOLUTION 14-038

DANC CONTRACT RENEWAL

Offered by Tr. Thornhill, seconded by Tr. Wood. Tr. Guardino and Mayor Lashua-yes.

Resolution to renew the contract with the Development Authority of the North Country for the operation and maintenance of the Village of Heuvelton's water and wastewater systems for a term of five years.

Sidewalk Brush pickup will end May 22nd. May 22nd will be the last day of the pickup. Jack Palmer will be coming back as the DPW summer help and he will be starting in mid June. The Seaway divers fixed the floating weir in the first lagoon on May 8th. Everything went well. There are three places that will have to be paved on streets that had water main breaks. These will be addressed in the next couple of weeks. Hydrant flushing will be completed May 15th. Sign posts and accessories for street signs, stop signs and speed limit signs have been purchased. The crew will be putting them up during the summer. The City of Ogdensburg will be borrowing the Village's excavator for a couple of days. The City and the Village have a shared services agreement and the City has always helped the Village in our need of equipment. Brandon Wood would like to put an underground electrical service on his property which will be 8ft on Village property; the Board has no problem with this.

Trash/Recyclables There was a discussion about having trash stickers instead of bags. There would be 1 sticker per 13 gallon bag and 3 stickers per 32 gallon bag. The stickers would be yellow with back lettering and would be numbered.

RESOLUTION 14-039

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Offered by Tr. Thornhill seconded by Tr. Guardino. Mayor Lashua and Tr. Wood-yes.

Resolution to accept the minutes of the 04/09/14 meeting.

RESOLUTION 14-040

VOUCHER APPROVAL

Offered by Tr. Wood seconded by Tr. Guardino. Mayor Lashua and Tr. Thornhill-yes.

Resolution to approve vouchers as follows:

General	001-023	\$ 25,325.11
Sewer	001-023	\$ 14,415.50
Water	001-023	\$ <u>3,292.06</u>
Total		\$ <u>43,032.67</u>

Other Disbursements \$ 6,335.23

At 8:15 pm, with no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Tr. Thornhill. All were in agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna M. Hurst
Village Clerk