

VILLAGE OF HEUVELTON
Regular Board Meeting
September 14, 2016

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, Knowlton and Guardino and Wood. Also in attendance were T. Murray, DPW Superintendent; N. Friot, HVFD Chief; J. Lightfoot, SLC Legislator; C. Basford, Village Resident; P. Pastella, DANC and S. McConnell, DANC.

HVFD Report Chief Friot informed the Board that E103 was at ZWACK being repaired and should be back in 6 to 8 weeks. Rensselaer Falls has loaned the Fire Department a fire engine while E103 is being repaired. The TA8 trailer will go out to bid for replacement. The Lawn Mower Association would like to do a benefit race for cancer on October 1st. at the HVFD track. It would start at noon and will be done by dark. Chief Friot will run for County Car 9 October 1st, if he is successful he will not run for Chief in January 2017. Chief Friot left at 6:18 pm.

Public Forum SLC Legislator J. Lightfoot discussed with the Board information from the County. He informed the Board that the Occupancy Tax Law was revised. IDA funding was approved for \$200,000 per year for the next 2 years. The County has hired Burnham Advisors from Lake Placid for an 18 month contract to assist with health insurance changes. The Tax Cap of .16 % for the County will mean another year of drastic cuts for the County. The County is discussing sharing the Community Director position with Franklin County. Mr. Lightfoot passed out an information sheet on sales tax distribution. The contract for sales tax is only with the City of Ogdensburg and it expires in 2020, there is no contract for sales tax with Villages and Towns.

Sewer/Water Mr. McConnell informed the Board that a coupling was replaced on one of the blowers. The WWTP and both industries are running well and are in compliance. The DO's are good but the numbers are high on the fecal content. Another scoop has been ordered and will be kept separate when taking samples. Mr. McConnell is working with the DEC to lower fecal content levels. A chemist is coming Monday to test "flock" for any unstated chemicals. There was a discussion about accepting private haulers at the WWTP. Mr. Murray will contact Morristown to see if the content could possibly be tested. The temporary fix of using a basket is working out well. We are waiting for material to come is to make more baskets. A few aeration lines blew. They were fixed and the rags were cleaned off at the same time. Mr. Feuka is putting together approximate costs for a new bar screen. There was a discussion about the charges for removing rags off the aeration lines. Ms. Pastella informed the Board that a company would be coming to the WWTP within the next two weeks to give the Village a quote on dredging the lagoon. There was a discussion about problems with the soft start at the water tower. Mr. Murray has left messages for Mr. Merrill to contact him but he has not returned his calls. Ms. Pastella will contact Mr. Merrill and have him come check the soft start.

Mayor's Report The Village will not be giving a donation to the Chamber of Commerce, the Village pays yearly dues. The Mayor gave the Board an update on the Labor Day festivities. The fireworks company gave the Labor Day committee an additional \$500 of fireworks at no cost. There is an invitation to the opening for flights to Florida from the airport. Tr. Knowlton would like to attend.

Sidewalks/Streets

Mr. Murray discussed school crosswalks with the Board. Signs were put up stating the State Law to yield to pedestrians. The Mayor will contact law enforcement to have a presence at the crosswalks in order to reduce speeding in that area. The DPW crew is still working on sidewalks on Lisbon and Rensselaer streets. Mr. Murray discussed recycling containers. He will get a price on containers and get back with the Board next month. Mr. Murray discussed with the Board about having payroll deduction for AFLAC. Payroll deduction was approved by the Board. There is a problem with a storm drain on Washington and State Streets.

RESOLUTION 16-064

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

Resolution to accept the minutes of the 08/10/16 meeting.

RESOLUTION 16-065

VOUCHER APPROVAL

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

Resolution to approve vouchers as follows:

General	083-125	\$ 63,334.92
Sewer	083-125	\$ 16,513.21
Water	083-125	\$ 4,057.28
Total		\$ 83,905.41

Other Disbursements \$ 41,482.32

At 7:30 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