

## VILLAGE OF HEUVELTON

### Regular Board Meeting

August 11, 2021

At 6:00 pm, Mayor Lashua called the meeting to order. Mayor Lashua opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance. Trustees in presence were Trustee E. Wood, A. Guardino and Trustee C. Basford. Trustee W. Knowlton was absent. Also, in attendance were T. Murray, DPW Supervisor; T. Wood, HVFD Chief; J. Wenzel, SLC Risk Manager; J. Compo, Black Lake Association; and T. Clary, DANC. J. Lightfoot, SLC Legislator arrived at 6:01.

**Public Forum** Mr. Wenzel is the St. Lawrence County risk manager and compliance officer for workers compensation insurance. He is making his way through the county doing safety inspections for participating municipalities and fire departments. Workers compensation costs are going down for the Village next year. Mr. Wenzel left at 6:08.

Mr. Compo educated the Board about invasive water chestnuts in the Oswegatchie river and Black Lake. Discussion was held about impacts, control, and collaboration with the public. Mr. Compo left at 6:23.

Mr. Lightfoot updated the Board on County matters. He left at 8:12.

**HVFD Report** The Fire Chief informed the Board about repairs to the pumper and the planned upgrades to the banquet hall. The Heuvelton First Responders were inducted into the Peck Family Hall of Fame at the Gouverneur Fireman's parade. The fire department has formed a Community Relations committee. Mr. Wood left at 6:33.

**Sewer/Water** Mr. Clary notified the Board that the sewer plant is getting back to normal from the upset in June, and things are running smooth. The Lagoon is still full, and more waste will need to be hauled. Mr. Clary left at 6:40.

#### RESOLUTION 21-069

#### SLUDGE HAULING

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

**Resolution to haul four loads of waste from the lagoon.**

Mayor Lashua gave an update on the Water System Project discussing backup well renovations and costs.

#### RESOLUTION 21-070

#### AMENDMENT #2 to DANC SCADA SERVICE AGREEMENT

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

**Resolution to accept the Development Authority of the North Country's Amendment #2 to the SCADA Services Agreement for the Water Improvement Project increasing cost of services by \$3,000 bringing the total not to exceed contract amount to \$38,000.**

#### RESOLUTION 21-071

#### RESOLUTION STANDARDIZING ON CUMMINS INC. STANDBY GENERATORS FOR VILLAGE WATER/WASTEWATER AND OTHER MUNICIPAL FACILITIES

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

**WHEREAS, the Village of Heuvelton, presently utilizes standby generators to provide emergency power for water/wastewater and other municipal facilities; and**

**WHEREAS, the Village has recently installed two new Cummins Inc. standby generators at its water well and storage tank and at a sewer pump station; and**

**WHEREAS, the Village will be undertaking projects to install a generator at its backup water well and potentially replacing a generator at its wastewater treatment plant; and**

**WHEREAS, the Village must maintain spare parts and separate service and support contracts for each manufacturer of standby generators; and**

**WHEREAS, the Village would save considerable money by standardizing on a single standby generator manufacturer, requiring only a single service and support contract, and reducing the inventory of spare parts.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED, that for reasons of efficiency and economy and pursuant to the authority conferred by General Municipal Law Section 103(5), the Village Board of Trustees has determined there is a need for standardization in the purchase of standby generators for use by the Village water/wastewater and other municipal facilities; and**

**NOW, be it FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees authorizes standardizing on Cummins Inc. as the supplier of standby generators for Village water/wastewater and other municipal facilities.**

Mayor Lashua gave the Board an Update from Charles Prior on the Sewer Consolidation project.

**Mayor's Report** Cannabis local laws were discussed. One law will regulate use on public property, the second will opt out of licensing and establishing retail cannabis dispensaries or on-site consumption establishments within the Village.

**RESOLUTION 21-072** **CANNABIS LOCAL LAW PUBLIC HEARING**  
Offered by Mayor Lashua. Second by Tr. Basford. Tr. Guardino and Tr. Wood- Aye  
**Resolution to hold a public hearing September 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 to consider a local law regulating Cannabis use on public property.**

Mayor Lashua described the success of the youth summer rec program.

Discussion was held about the ARPA Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund. The Board agrees the priority for this money is the backup well improvements and then the pavilion project.

Tr. Wood described how the Pavilion construction was coming. Misuse of the Boat launch was revisited.

**RESOLUTION 21-073** **BOAT LAUNCH SIGNAGE**  
Offered by Tr. Wood. Second by Tr. Guardino. Tr. Basford and Mayor Lashua - Aye  
**Resolution to put No Overnight Lodging and No Open Fires signs up at the Boat Launch.**

**Streets** Mr. Murray updated the Board on maintenance around the Village. The Municipal Parking Lot was discussed. Mayor Lashua talked about Upcoming Labor Day Festivities and particulars to get the Village ready.

**RESOLUTION 21-074** **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**  
Offered by Tr. Wood. Second by Tr. Basford. Tr. Guardino and Mayor Lashua- Aye  
**Resolution to accept the minutes of the 7/14/2021 meeting.**

**RESOLUTION 21-075**

**VOUCHER APPROVALS**

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

**Approval of Vouchers 0821-1-0821-44**

<b>General</b>	<b>\$ 30,211.72</b>
<b>Sewer</b>	<b>\$ 18,943.98</b>
<b>Water</b>	<b>\$ 4,009.17</b>
<b>Water Proj.</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
<b>Sewer Cons.</b>	<b>\$ 21,587.50</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 74,752.37</b>

**Other Disbursements \$ 101,143.83**

**RESOLUTION 21-076**

**ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

**Resolution to enter executive session at 8:22 concerning proposed litigation.**

**RESOLUTION 21-077**

**EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

**Resolution to exit executive session at 8:42.**

At 8:42 with no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Tr. Wood. All agreed.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Donnelly  
Village Clerk