### VILLAGE OF HEUVELTON

# Regular Board Meeting March 14, 2018

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; A. Guardino and W. Knowlton. Also in attendance were S. McConnell, DANC; T. Murray, DPW Superintendent M. Hebert, HVFD EMS Captain; J. Lightfoot, SLC legislator arrived @ 6:07pm; G. Duvall arrived @ 6:50pm.

HVFD Report Mr. Hebert informed the Board that the trailer would be put out on an auction site and Craig's list. The FEMA grant has been completed and closed out. The Mayor suggested setting up a meeting with the HVFD Executive Board, Village Board and an attorney to get information on the setting up a fire district. She is hoping to schedule this for the April or May board meeting. The Mayor discussed the HVFD budget regarding the workers compensation costs. HVFD is in the process of purchasing a new truck at a cost of approximately \$80,000. Mr. Hebert left at 6:40pm.

**Public Forum** Mr. Lightfoot updated the board regarding workers compensation billing issues. He informed the Board that due to an error we would be receiving a credit from the County sometime in January 2019. He will continue to try and get answers for the Village regarding how the costs are broken down on the billing for workers compensation. He stated the County passed a resolution to ask the State of New York to change the penal law so that pistol permits could be issued by the Sherriff. The County received a grant to build towers that will improve communications for all EMS services. They received a grant to finish the EMS backup system. Mr. Lightfoot was invited to attend the meeting on the fire district. Mr. Lightfoot left at 7:15pm.

Sewer/Water Mr. McConnell stated there was a water main damaged by National Grid on Monday which caused a boil water advisory for five homes and an apartment building. The advisory was lifted on Wednesday. He had problems with the pump station on Rensselaer St. being plugged up by wipes. He requested a notice be put in the newsletter asking residents not to flush feminine hygiene products or wipes. Soil sample results have been forwarded to K. Feuka. Sludge samples will be done next Wednesday. Lagoon is getting full. He is hoping to spread in early April or may have to haul. Lagoon aerators maintenance will be done soon. Mr. McConnell asked the Board's approval for extra manpower to get it all done in a week which was granted. Mr. McConnell spoke with Losurdo's regarding a pattern of BOD and COD numbers doubling on Fridays. They can't explain why this is happening. He also is having an issue with someone tampering with the sampler. He brought it to Losurdo's attention. The Mayor suggested putting a padlock on it to secure it. He will give a spare key to the DPW supervisor. The BOD parameters were exceeded this month. The DEC was contacted. Mr. McConnell will clean out the chlorine chamber to prevent this. The Mayor suggested putting this on a regular maintenance schedule going forward. Mr. McConnell left at 7:08pm.

Mayor's Report The Mayor reviewed with the Board line by line the tentative budget. The Mayor discussed with Mr. Murray the planting of shade trees in the spring. It was decided to put a message in the newsletter asking residents if they would allow trees to be planted on their property. The Mayor discussed a newspaper article concerning Lewis County dropping their fees for recyclables and having such an overwhelming glut of recyclables they were unable to cover the cost of disposal and will have to start charging their residents again to cover the costs. It was decided to leave the Village trash and recycling charges the same. The Mayor reviewed the preliminary plans for the boat launch area with the Board. She suggested moving the pavilion to the area where the horseshoe pits were proposed to be. It is more convenient having it closer to the parking area and electrical box. She also would like to have the

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parking lot be moved closer to the river. Security cameras, lighting, bathrooms, maintenance and signage issues were discussed as well. Mr. Duvall requested that the Board keep in mind handicap accessibility as the plans are finalized. He also inquired about the possibility of putting a pier on the river. Mr. Duvall left at 8:07pm.

#### **RESOLUTION 18-026**

#### 2018-19 BUDGET TO PUBLIC HEARING

Offered by Mayor Lashua, seconded by T. Wood. T. Guardino, T. Basford and T. Knowlton -Aye. Resolution to hold a public hearing on the 2018-19 tentative budget on Wednesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 pm.

**Streets/Sidewalks** Mr. Murray informed the Board that the Village will need to rehab a section of the pavement on Union Street due to water main damage cause by National grid as well as a gas leak found by St. Lawrence Gas. He also inquired on submitting the reimbursement paperwork for the docks.

## **RESOLUTION 18-027**

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Offered by T. Knowlton, seconded by T. Guardino. T. Wood, T. Basford and Mayor Lashua - Aye. **Resolution to accept the minutes of the 2/14/18 meeting.** 

### **RESOLUTION 18-028**

#### VOUCHER APPROVALS

Offered by T. Wood, seconded by T. Basford. T. Knowlton, T. Guardino and Mayor Lashua - Aye. **Approval of Vouchers** 

General	344-370	\$ 6,632.52
Sewer	344-370	\$ 6,583.26
Water	344-370	\$ 1,444.40
Total		\$ 14,660.18

Other Disbursements: \$ 22,857.87

# **RESOLUTION 18-029**

#### **BUDGET MODIFICATIONS**

Offered by T. Guardino, seconded by T. Knowlton. T. Basford, T. Wood and Mayor Lashua - Aye. **Resolution to approve the following budget modifications:** 

#### General

Inc. 14204.1 Attorney CE	\$	48.00	Dec. 19104.1 Unallocated Ins.	\$ 442.34
<b>51104.1 Streets CE</b>	\$	625.69	19204.1 Association Dues	\$ 8.00
51404.1 Highway (Misc) Cl	E <u>\$</u>	47.50	19904.1 Contingency	\$ 270.85
Total	\$	721.19	Total	\$ 721.19
<u>Water</u>				
Inc. 83404.3 Trans. CE	\$	319.85	Dec. 19904.3 Contingency	\$ 319.85

At 8:30pm, with no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by T. Knowlton. All were in agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Smithers Village Clerk