

**REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE NORTH HORSELL VILLAGE BOARD  
May 10, 2021 6:00PM  
Meeting Minutes**

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**ATTENDANCE:** Mayor: John Falci  
Trustees: Joshua Greenthal, Richard Head, Joseph Ingalls, Joseph Flint  
Clerk Vanessa Scott  
Treasurer Kristene Libordi  
Superintendent Rich Scavo  
Officer in Charge/Police Chief Kyle Amidon  
Videographer Bob Peisher  
Jeremy Smith – Fire Department  
Guests for a Cricket Presentation: Kailash, Galla - Manoj, Gavini - Pogith, Kalluro

Mayor Falci introduced the guests to present their request to participate in Cricket in the Village. The board watched a video, had several questions for the guests. Trustee Head said there would be a cost to the Village and we need to find out what that is going to be. The group would also need to have insurance and information on what the liability would be to the Village. Mayor Falci told the board he would get answers to these questions and report back to the board. Further discussion took place but no final decision was made at this time.

**Minutes**

Motion to accept the minutes from the monthly meeting held on April 12, 2021, Public Hearing for the budget on April 12, 2021, Adoption of the Budget meeting April 19, 2021 and Emergency Meeting April 29, 2021 was made by Trustee Richard Head seconded by Trustee Joshua Greenthal and carried.

Mayor Falci	Aye	Trustee Greenthal	Aye
Trustee Ingalls	Aye	Trustee Head	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye		

**Treasurer Report**

Motion to accept the treasurer’s report from April 2021 was made by Mayor John Falci seconded by Trustee Joseph Ingalls and carried.

Mayor Falci	Aye	Trustee Greenthal	Aye
Trustee Ingalls	Aye	Trustee Head	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye		

**Clerk Report**

Motion to accept the clerk’s report from March 2021 was made by Mayor John Falci seconded by Trustee Joseph Ingalls and carried.

Mayor Falci	Aye	Trustee Greenthal	Aye
Trustee Ingalls	Aye	Trustee Head	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye		

**Code Enforcement Report**

Code Enforcement Officer Bill Rusby was not present.

Motion to accept the Code Enforcement report was made by; Trustee Joseph Ingalls seconded by Trustee Joshua Greenthal and carried.

Mayor Falci	Aye	Trustee Greenthal	Aye
Trustee Ingalls	Aye	Trustee Head	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye		

**North Hornell Police Department**

Motion to accept the North Hornell Police Department report was made by; Trustee Richard Head seconded by Trustee Joseph Flint and carried.

Mayor Falci	Aye	Trustee Greenthal	Aye
Trustee Ingalls	Aye	Trustee Head	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye		

Complaints	3
Community Services Rendered	15
Assist Other Departments	3
Traffic Stops	18
Total Calls Handled for the Month:	39

Police Chief Amidon reported the patrol car is scheduled to be repaired on May 19<sup>th</sup>. He also informed the board that he would like to take the patrol car to Woodhull to participate in Law Enforcement Recognition Night at the Woodhull Raceway on July 10<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor John Falci made a motion to approve taking the patrol car to Woodhull to participate in the Law Enforcement Recognition Night, seconded by Trustee Richard Head and carried.

Mayor Falci	Aye	Trustee Greenthal	Aye
Trustee Ingalls	Aye	Trustee Head	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye		

The board discussed the options of continuing with the North Hornell Police Department or to continue with the Sheriff’s Department. This decision needs to be made as it is the end of what the board decided would be a trial period. The board continued to discuss the following options: keep the Sheriff’s Department at \$18,000.00 or add 4 more hours to the North Hornell Police Department at the cost of \$4,600.00. Trustee Greenthal likes the fact the Village knows when we will have law enforcement present in the village. There are many unknowns with the Sheriff’s Department and the hours are not conducive to what the Village needs. Mayor Falci told the board he will contact Sheriff Allard to inform him that the Village will be continuing with the North Hornell Police Department and put the contract with the Steuben County Sheriff’s Department on hold at this time. Trustee Flint stated his continued concern with the liability to the Village by having their own department.

A motion was made by Mayor John Falci to temporarily suspend the Steuben County Sheriff’s Department, continue with the North Hornell Police Department at 3 hour shift at this time, seconded by Trustee Joseph Ingalls and carried. This will be voted on a yearly basis.

Mayor Falci	Aye	Trustee Greenthal	Aye
Trustee Ingalls	Aye	Trustee Head	Aye
Trustee Flint	Nay		

**Sheriff's Report**

Motion to accept the Sheriff's report was made by; Trustee Richard Head seconded by Trustee Joseph Flint and carried.

Mayor Falci	Aye	Trustee Greenthal	Aye
Trustee Ingalls	Aye	Trustee Head	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye		

**Fire Department Report**

Total Calls for the Month: 16  
Town: 6  
Village: 2  
Fire Alarm Checks: 3  
M/A: 5

Motion to accept the Fire Chief's report was made by Mayor John Falci, Seconded by Trustee Joshua Greenthal and carried.

Mayor Falci	Aye	Trustee Greenthal	Aye
Trustee Ingalls	Aye	Trustee Head	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye		

There was a discussion again about the invoice received for the programming of the radios for the Fire Department. The board agreed that the Village will pay for the entire invoice and it was carried.

A motion by Trustee Joseph Flint seconded by Trustee Richard Head to approve applicant Timothy A. Woodworth of 7 ½ Bostwick Avenue, Hornell. and was carried.

Mayor Falci	Aye	Trustee Greenthal	Aye
Trustee Ingalls	Aye	Trustee Head	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye		

**Maintenance Department Report**

Motion to accept the Maintenance Department report was made by Trustee Richard Head, Seconded by Trustee Joshua Greenthal and carried.

Mayor Falci	Aye	Trustee Greenthal	Aye
Trustee Ingalls	Aye	Trustee Head	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye		

Superintendent Rich Scavo distributed a flow chart with the new meter. He also reported that he received an email notifying him of the release of the \$60,000.00 has finally been approved from the grant he wrote and applied for 4 years ago. This was for the pump station upgrade.

He provided the results of the Leak Detection that the board approved to have done at the last meeting. He also reported that the tree on Mary Street will be cut down the week of May 17, 2021.

Superintendent Scavo also received an estimate for crack sealing to be done on the East side of the Village. The quote came in at \$4,830.00. He told the board he would like to get this done before the end of the current fiscal year if the money is in his Streets Account. Treasurer Kristene Libordi confirmed there was enough money in the Streets Account for the work to be done in this current budget of 2019-2020.

Trustee Joseph Ingalls motioned to have the crack sealing done in the current budget in the amount of \$4,830.00, seconded by Mayor John Falci and carried.

Mayor Falci	Aye	Trustee Greenthal	Aye
Trustee Ingalls	Aye	Trustee Head	Aye
Trustee Flint	Aye		

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION 21-2021 BUDGETARY RESOLUTION**

The following Resolution was offered by Mayor John Falci, seconded by Trustee Joseph Flint and carried.

**RESOLVED**, that the Village of North Hornell Board of Trustees at their Regular Board Meeting on May 10, 2021 approved to move \$3,655.00 from A1990.4 Contingency Account to A8510.4 Community Beautification account to cover the cost of the replacement of trees from the sidewalk project.

	Aye	Nay
Mayor Falci	X	
Trustee Ingalls	X	
Trustee Greenthal	X	
Trustee Flint	X	
Trustee Head	X	

**RESOLUTION 22-2021 APPROVE PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS**

The following Resolution was offered by Trustee Joseph Ingalls, seconded by Trustee Richard Head and carried,

**RESOLVED**, that the Village of North Hornell Board of Trustees at their Regular Board Meeting on May 10, 2021 approved to pay vouchers from the General Account starting with number 407-451 in the amount of \$25,287.93. Pay vouchers from the Sewer Account starting with number 78-85 in the amount of \$5,720.29.

	Aye	Nay
Mayor Falci	X	
Trustee Ingalls	X	
Trustee Greenthal	X	
Trustee Flint	X	
Trustee Head	X	

**RESOLUTION 23-2021 EASEMENT FOR CHAMBERS STREET**

The following Resolution was offered by Mayor John Falci, seconded by Trustee Joshua Greenthal and carried,

**RESOLVED**, that the Village of North Hornell Board of Trustees at their Regular Board Meeting on May 10, 2021 discussed the location of the water line and valve servicing Seneca Road and Chambers Street and obtaining an easement from Kevin Conklin.

The following resolution was offered by Mayor John Falci who moved for its adoption, seconded by Joshua Greenthal and unanimously approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, that in consideration of Kevin Conklin granting an easement to the Village for the purpose of maintaining water line and valve located at 18 Chambers Street, Hornell, New York, the Village will pay the sum of One thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) and authorize Mayor John Falci to execute all documents necessary in obtaining said easement.

	Aye	Nay
Mayor Falci	X	
Trustee Ingalls	X	
Trustee Greenthal	X	
Trustee Flint	X	
Trustee Head	Abstain	

#### **RESOLUTION 24-2021 BUDGETARY RESOLUTION**

The following Resolution was offered by Trustee Joshua Greenthal, seconded by Trustee Richard Head and carried.

**RESOLVED**, that the Village of North Hornell Board of Trustees at their End of Year Board Meeting on May 10, 2021 approved to move money from A1990.4 Contingency Account totaling the amount of \$1,140.75 to the following for overages in the said accounts

A8510.4 Community Beautification in the amount of \$329.27, A1460.4 Records Management in the amount of \$170.16, A1010.4 Trustees in the amount of \$357.42 and A1989.41 Code Book in the amount of \$283.90.

	Aye	Nay
Mayor Falci	X	
Trustee Ingalls	X	
Trustee Greenthal	X	
Trustee Flint	X	
Trustee Head	X	

#### **Reopening of Village Hall**

Clerk Vanessa Scott explained that the office has been accepting individuals in the office vestibule. At this time masks continue to be required along with social distancing. She explained that she talked with the Department of Health and as long as individuals are not in close proximity for 10 minutes or more, there is no concern. The Department of Health supports the opening of the office but asked the Village to continue with a limited amount of people in the office due to the small size and the lack of social distancing space.

#### **Community Yard Sales**

The Village will receive the dates for the Hornell Community Yard Sales which is usually set up by the Evening Tribune. When the date is confirmed, the board will vote to have the sales in the Village as well. If the information is received by the May 17, 2021 meeting, it can be voted on at that time otherwise, it will wait until the June meeting.

### **Memorial Day Service**

The board discussed the possibility of having the Memorial Day Service at Barillo Park. After discussion, the board decided it would be best this year to forego the Service again due to continued COVID-19 concerns and hope to resume it in May 2022.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Village Office Building/Renovations**

Mayor Falci still has not heard back from the Zone Sergeant. Superintendent Rich Scavo told the Mayor he has the new Zone Sergeant's information. Zone Sergeant Eric Ritz will be the new contact after Marcy Trimble retires. Marcy Trimble told Mayor Falci, "The State Police plan to be here for several more years. They don't plan on going anywhere." As far as paying rent for the Satellite office here in North Hornell, that information would have to be obtained from the Albany Office.

The board discussed the possibility of using the COVID-19 relief money toward renovations needed at Village Hall. Trustee Ingalls agrees the vestibule at Village hall needs to increase in size.

No final decisions were made at this time.

#### **Tree Relocation**

Trustee Ingalls reported that he found out that the anticipated amount to move the tree that was planted on Seneca Road, if moved, is \$600.00 and not \$300.00 as first reported. He informed the board that the tree is actually the property of the homeowner so the village should not incur the cost of moving the tree. He said he informed the property owner that there is no guarantee that the tree would survive the move/transfer. Trustee Ingalls asked the Rich Scavo if this is something the DPW would be able to do. Superintendent Scavo told the board he would ask Jason Emo of Hornellsville if this is something he would be willing to help with. They have the equipment that would help do it safely. He asked Trustee Ingalls to make sure the homeowner understands that if they move the tree, there is no guarantee of the tree living. Trustee Ingalls said he would contact the homeowner to make sure they understood this.

#### **Water Issue on Chambers Street – Conklin**

Mayor Falci told the board he would contact Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Conklin to schedule a time that they can come to Village Hall to sign the agreement and the village will pay them the \$1,500.00 for the easement to settle the water line issue. Mayor Falci asked Clerk Vanessa Scott to contact notary Marie Pattie to schedule a time that she would be available to meet with the Conklin's so paperwork can be finalized and taken to Attorney Eric Shults office.

#### **North Hornell Police Department Phone Line**

Clerk Vanessa Scott contacted Empire Phone Service and received a quote that proved to save money. The savings before adding the Police line is \$69.00 for all lines serviced by Verizon at this time. The board agreed to table this until the Closing of the Books meeting scheduled for May 17, 2021. This will give the Clerk time to get more information from the Empire Phone Company representative.

**Fire Siren**

No comments at this time.

**OTHER**

Trustee Richard Head motioned to adjourn the meeting seconded by Mayor John Falci and was carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:23pm

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Scott  
Village Clerk