

**HAGUE TOWN BOARD  
PUBLIC HEARING &  
REGULAR MEETING  
March 11, 2014  
6:00 PM**

MEMBERS PRESENT:      Supervisor Frasier                      R. Meola  
   S. Ramant                                      M. Fitzgerald II  
   G. Kuenzel

It was motioned by G. Kuenzel, seconded by R. Meola to open the meeting at 6:00 pm. All voting yes. Motion carried.

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion by R. Meola, seconded by G. Kuenzel to open the Public Hearing at 6:00 pm. All voting yes. Motion carried.

The following notice was published in the Post Star on 2/28/2014.

TOWN OF HAGUE  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Please take notice That The Town Board of the Town of Hague will hold a public hearing on proposed amendments to the Town Park Ordinance. Said hearing will be held on the 11th day of March, 2014 at 6:00 pm at the Hague Community Center, 9793 Graphite Mtn. Rd., Hague, NY.

The proposed amendments to the Town Park Ordinance are on file with the Town Clerk and may be reviewed or obtained by all interested members of the public at the Hague Community Center during regular business hours.

All interested persons attending the hearing will be given the opportunity to be heard.

BY ORDER OF THE HAGUE TOWN BOARD

Deborah F. Manning

Hague Town Clerk

Published: February 28, 2014

The public and board discussed the Town Park Ordinance changes. The hours of operation and the main discussion was the closing of the Boat Launch during hours when there is no Park Attendant present.

## Chapter 124. PARKS

**[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Hague 7-3-1962, as amended through 2-9-1999. Subsequent amendments noted where applicable.]**

## GENERAL REFERENCES

Alcoholic beverages — See Ch. 61.

Animals — See Ch. 64.

Boats — See Ch. 69.

Docks — See Ch. 85.

## Article I. General Provisions

[Adopted 7-13-1962]

§ 124-1. Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

### **BOATS**

Includes all boats on trailers.

### **COMMERCIAL USE**

The use of any Town dock by anyone for the purpose from which a profit or any form of payment is or may be derived.

### **LAUNCH ATTENDANT**

A person who is designated by the Town Board to monitor the launching of and removal of boats from the Town launch.

### **PARK**

The Hague Town Park established on the shore of Lake George and any docks, floats and other facilities furnished by the Town of Hague either on the land or in the waters of Lake George for use in connection with the park.

### **PARKING LOTS**

The blacktop area used for parking motorized vehicles.

### **PERSON**

Includes any individual, society, club, firm, partnership, corporation or association of persons, and references to the singular shall include the plural.

### **REFUSE**

Includes food, animal, or vegetable matter, papers, cans, bottles, and all forms of waste materials.

### **RESIDENT**

A person who resides ~~owns property or is a registered voter~~ in the Town of Hague.

### **VEHICLES**

Includes any and all motorized vehicles including, without limitation, all motorcycles, motor bikes, mopeds, and nonmechanized bicycles.

§ 124-2. Hours of operation.

- A. The park shall be open to the public at 8:00 a.m. and closed at 11:00 p.m., Eastern daylight time and it shall be unlawful to be within the park during any other hour unless written permission is first obtained from the Town Board.
- B. There shall be no boats in the slip and no vehicles in the parking lot between 11:00 p.m. and 5:30 a.m.

§ 124-3. Limitation on vehicles within park.

- A. Parking shall be permitted in the designated parking spaces, within the blacktop area. The east side of the parking lot will be for residents displaying a resident multi-use permit. The west side of the parking lot will be available for vehicles without multi-use permits.

**[Amended 5-8-2001]**

- B. There shall be no parking of trailers at any time in the park or parking lots.
- C. It shall be unlawful to rig and/or unrig a boat between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. in the park or parking lot. Rigging/unrigging may take place between the hours of 5:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
- D. Nonmechanized bicycles shall be permitted at the bicycle rack only.

**[Amended 5-8-2001]**

- E. No unauthorized motor vehicles are allowed off the paved areas of the park.

§ 124-4. Parking in vicinity of boat slip launch.

- A. No parking is unauthorized vehicles are allowed in the emergency access area of the boat launch.

§ 124-5. Prohibited activities.

- A. There shall be no ball games, horseshoe games, darts or other games involving airborne projectiles within the confines of the park.
- B. It shall be unlawful to build any fires in the park without prior Town Supervisor's written approval.

**[Amended 5-8-2001]**

- C. It shall be unlawful to erect any tents or similar structures within the park without prior permission of the Town Board.
- D. It shall be unlawful for any person to use loud or obscene language within the park.
- E. It shall be unlawful for any person to bring or keep any domesticated animals or pets within the park.
- F. It shall be unlawful to bring any alcoholic beverages into the park.
- G. It shall be unlawful to swim outside the confines of the floats.
- H. It shall be unlawful to loiter within the confines of the park.
- I. It shall be unlawful to use a metal detector in the park without prior written approval of the Town Supervisor.

§ 124-6. Boat slip regulations.

- A. Boats may be placed into the lake and removed there from only between the hours of 5:30 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. Eastern daylight time when a Town of Hague Launch attendant is present. Hours and dates of operation will be as set from time to time by resolution of the Town Board.
- B. Any nonresident wishing to use the boat slip to launch boats must pay a launching fee as set from time to time by resolution of the Town Board. Such fee entitles one specific boat to be launched and taken out one time.

**[Amended 8-10-1999 by L.L. No. 1-1999]**

- C. Yearly launching permit fees.

**[Amended 8-10-1999 by L.L. No. 1-1999]**

- (1) A yearly individual launching permit may be obtained at the town offices during regular business hours for a fee as set from time to time by resolution of the Town Board. This permit must be renewed yearly and can be used specifically for the boat it is issued for.
- (2) A yearly commercial launching permit may be obtained at the town offices during regular business hours for resident and nonresident fees as set from time to time by resolution of the Town Board.
- D. A seasonal pass book of five tickets may be purchased for a fee as set from time to time by resolution of the Town Board. Each ticket only permits a single specific boat to be launched one time.

**[Amended 8-10-1999 by L.L. No. 1-1999]**

- E. Any boat brought in on a trailer is subject to one of the above fees.
- F. Property owners and residents of the Town of Hague may apply at the town office for a permit which permits free launching.
- ~~G. No boat over 20 feet in length may dock in the boat slip area.~~
- H. G. Docking spaces may not be reserved and boats may be docked in the black area for a two-hour period only.
- I. H. There shall be no docking in the red areas. Docking in the red area closest to the parking lot will be allowed for the launching or the removing of a boat. No loading or unloading is allowed in this area.
- J. I. It shall be unlawful for launchers to repair boats in the boat slip.
- ~~K.~~ J. Commercial Use of dock.
  - (1) The Commercial Use of any town dock is only allowed by permission of the Town Board with the exception of those who have obtained an annual commercial launching permit for dry dock launching only (referenced by Chapter 124-6 C. (2)).
  - (2) Anyone receiving permission from the Town Board to use any Town of Hague dock for commercial purposes must submit annually proof of insurance coverage, to the Town Clerk, listing the Town of Hague as an additional insured.

§ 124-7. Posting of regulations.

The Town Board shall post within the park a notice incorporating these rules and regulations.

§ 124-8. Penalties for offenses.

- A. Any person violating this chapter shall be subject to a fine of not more than \$250 or to imprisonment for not more than 15 days, or both such fine and imprisonment.

**[Amended 8-10-1999 by L.L. No. 1-1999]**

- B. Violators of § **124-3**, Limitation on vehicles within park, will be removed at the owner's expense. Fines will be levied as prescribed in the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law.

## Article II. Parking Lot Regulations

**[Adopted 7-13-2004]**

§ 124-9. Purpose.

The Hague Town Board approved the following regulations governing the use of the two parking lots on Route 8 as part of The Hague Town Park, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter **124**, Parks, of the Code of the Town of Hague.

§ 124-10. Restrictions.

The use of each parking lot shall have the following restrictions:

- A. Parking shall be permitted for passenger vehicles only.
- B. There shall be no parking of vehicles between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m.

§ 124-11. Posting of regulations.

Pursuant to the provisions of § **124-8** of the Town Code, the Town Board shall post within each parking lot a notice incorporating these rules and regulations.

§ 124-12. Penalties for offenses.

- A. Any person violating this article shall be fined a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$100 for each offense.

B. Violations of § 124-3, Limitation on vehicles within park, will be removed at the owner's expense. Fines will be levied as prescribed in the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law.

Motion by S. Ramant, seconded by M. Fitzgerald to close the public hearing at 6:30 pm. All voting yes. Motion carried.

It was motioned by S. Ramant, seconded by M. Fitzgerald II to table the proposed Resolution on the changes until next months meeting. All voting yes. Motion carried.

Moment of Silence: Anne Fowler, John Miller, Jean Tyburski, Beatrice Hurlbert.

Welcome Guests/Privilege of the floor:

Melynda Swinton asked the Town Board why they decreased the YMCA Summer Camp Program from 8 to 6 weeks.

Councilman Meola explained that we discussed this at budget time, and the Town Board reaffirmed a six week summer camp program at Silver Bay. We only budgeted \$10,000.00. Councilman Meola will talk with a representative from Silver Bay to see if they would pick up the cost of the 2 weeks.

Resolution # 47 of 2014: Introduced by M. Fitzgerald II, seconded by R. Meola Resolved; to authorize the Supervisor to pay General, Highway & Sewer Claims audited at last nights meeting. (\$157,135.02).

AYES: Supervisor Frasier, M. Fitzgerald II, R. Meola, S. Ramant, and G. Kuenzel.

NAYS: None.

Carried: 5-0

Motion by R. Meola, seconded by S. Ramant to accept minutes February 11, 2014 & March 4, and March 10, 2014. All voting yes. Motion carried.

**Regular Committee Report:**

1. Assessor & Justice: (Meola/Kuenzel): No report.

2. Buildings & Grounds/Community Center/Enhancement: (Fitzgerald/Frasier): Councilman Fitzgerald II reported that the Department of Health should be here to inspect the Community Center kitchen within two weeks. On the expansion to the Community Center building, the drawings that were submitted would require firewalls that would cost too much money. The committee will again meet to come up with a more reasonable drawing.

3. Finance & Insurance: (Meola/Ramant): No report

4. Highway: (Fitzgerald/Ramant): Highway Superintendent Smith mentioned that another snow storm will be hitting Hague tomorrow.

5. Museum & Historian: (Kuenzel/Ramant): Councilwoman Kuenzel mentioned that the Historical Society is working on a variety of programs for this year. The first presentation will be held at the Hague Community Center on April 29, 2014. Christine Campeau from the Adirondack Museum will present a program on Seneca Ray Stoddard (1843-1917). In June there will be a program on “Artists in Hague.”

6. Personnel: (Meola/Kuenzel): Motion by G. Kuenzel, seconded by R. Meola to approve of the new Employee job applications. All voting yes. Motion carried.

7. Planning/Zoning/Storm water: (Fitzgerald/Ramant):

ZONING REPORT TO TOWN BOARD

March 11, 2014

Permits Activity	Month	YTD
• Land Use Development	0	3
• Site Plan Review	0	2
• Subdivisions	1	1
• Variance	1	4
• Wastewater	0	0
• Wastewater Variances	0	0
• <u>Planning Board</u> : meeting of March 6, 2014 the board gave approval for their final approval for two Site Plan Reviews. They also approved a modification to an existing Site Plan approval. One Referral to the ZBA was made.		
• <u>Zoning Board</u> : meeting of Feb. 27, 2014 the Board approved two Variance applications, deemed two new applications for Variance approval completed and scheduled a Public Hearing for their March meeting. A site visit to the properties is scheduled for the 12 <sup>th</sup> of March. An extension was granted for the completion of the reconstruction of a building destroyed by snow load until June 14, 2014.		

Town Board Agenda Item:

Permission is requested for 3 member of the PB, 1 member of the ZBA and myself to attend APA Local Government Day April 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Maureen & Mike Cherubini are requesting hotel accommodations at the cost of \$89.00, \$44.50 will be charged to the ZBA Training and \$44.50 will be charge to PB training, if the Board approves the request.

8. Recreation & Promotion & Youth: (Ramant/Meola): No report

9. Sewer District # 1 & 2: (Frasier/Kuenzel): Supervisor Frasier and Councilman Kuenzel met with Paul Belden to discuss various ways of making sure everyone stays in compliance with sewer use or it will become very expensive for the Districts for repairs. Councilwoman Kuenzel also mentioned that there will be an informational card which was created in partnership with the LGA that will be going out with the sewer rent bills.



10. Town Park & Beautification: (Kuenzel/Ramant): Councilman Ramant reported that the Music in the Park program is all set. There still is a need for more Lifeguards.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Motion by R. Meola, seconded by G. Kuenzel to schedule a Public Hearing on April 8, 2014 on the proposed Code changes to Docks (Chapter 85). All voting yes. Motion carried.

2. Motion by S. Ramant, seconded by G. Kuenzel to approve 3 members of the PB, Michael Cherubini, Bruce Clark and Richard Frasier, 1 member of the ZBA, Maureen Cherubini and the ZEO and the Supervisor to attend the Lake Placid APA Local Government Day on April 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. All voting yes. Motion carried.

3. The new Job Applications form was approved under Personnel committee report.

**COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:**

1. There will be a Rabies Clinic at the Hague Fire Dept. on May 3, 2014 10:00 am to Noon.

2. The Town of Hague Fire Works will be held on July 3, 2014 at the Town Park.

3. The letter was received from Melynda Swinton dated 3/5/2014: YMCA summer camp (discussed under privilege of the floor).

4. A letter was received from Sally Rypkema in regards to the Senior View Café at the Visitor Center on the week of Americade. She would like the Town Board to refuse the request of the Senior Citizens to have their café. It creates a hardship on local business. The Town Board and ZEO agreed that they would allow Hague Market to place a sign for the week of Americade advertising their business.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Motion by M. Fitzgerald, seconded by R. Meola to give permission for the Hague Senior Citizens to use the Visitor Center for their Senior View Café from June 1 – June 9, 2014. All voting yes. Motion carried.

2. Motion by R. Meola, seconded by S. Ramant to give permission to the Lake George Open Swim to use the Hague Beach on August 23, 2014 from 7am to 12 pm and closing the boat launch from 7 am to 12 pm, also would like bathrooms open by 6 am. All voting yes. Motion carried.

**SUPERVISORS REPORT & COUNTY REPORTS:** Supervisor Frasier has published her January-February report. It is published on the Hague website and is also available at the Community Center. She has been serving on various committees at Warren County.

Motion by R. Meola, seconded by R. Meola, seconded by S. Ramant to adjourn meeting at 7:30 pm. All voting yes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah F. Manning, Town Clerk