

# Huntington Hills Inc. Deer Bow Hunt Proxy Protocol

1. The Huntington Hills Inc. (HH Inc.) Board is charged with the management of the land designated as the “Commons” in its By-Laws.
2. The Town of Irondequoit, since the 1990s, has authorized a Bow Hunt Program managed by the Irondequoit Police Department to control the deer herd for public safety.
3. Bow hunting takes place on private land owned by Irondequoit residents, and public land owned by the Town of Irondequoit.
4. Hunters pay a fee for a license to hunt in Irondequoit and must pass a proficiency test. In addition, the hunter must possess a current and valid New York State hunting license.
5. Hunting of any kind is prohibited on the Commons. This includes the act of tracking deer as defined by the NYS DEC.
6. Year to year some properties in the Huntington Hills community are approved by the Police for bow hunting.
7. A common occurrence can be that a wounded deer shot with a bow runs beyond the approved property borders. The hunter must report this to the Irondequoit police who are responsible for tracking the deer onto the Commons’ land, for the purpose of humanely disposing of the wounded deer. The Irondequoit police must obtain permission from the President (or the Vice President, if the President is unavailable) or the designated proxy of the HH Inc. Board to track on the Commons; and permission from the homeowner to track on to his/her private property. The HH Inc. President (Vice President or designated proxy) must physically escort the Irondequoit police officer to insure that no trespassing occurs.
8. The HH Inc. Board can designate up to two individuals to be a proxy to respond to the request.
9. The function of the President (Vice President or designated proxy) in this case is **only** to escort the officer around Huntington Hills and to gather the information as mentioned in item 12. All work of tracking, asking residents for permission to search their property, and killing the deer, if necessary, remain with the police officer.
10. Under no circumstances shall the hunter, including HH Inc. resident hunters, be allowed to track and/or kill the deer with the police officer and the President or proxy. Hunting on HH Inc. land is prohibited.
11. The President (Vice President or designated proxy) shall make a determination based on a *case by case* situation as to whether or not the carcass will be removed from the Commons, or left (should it be found on the Commons).

- A) If the deer ultimately ends up on a HH Inc. owner's property, that owner will make the ultimate decision, but the HH Inc. owner cannot independently direct the carcass to be removed over the Commons until the President (Vice President or designated proxy) is notified and gives permission.
  - B) The *case by case* basis should be determined on the distance to the nearest public highway, or the proximity to a HH Inc. owner's property.
  - C) The decision to leave the carcass or have it removed will be determined by the HH Inc. President (Vice President or designated proxy).
  - D) If the carcass is to be removed, the hunter will be contacted upon location of the carcass for immediate tagging and removal.
12. The President of HH Inc. (Vice President or designated proxy) will keep a record including the following:
- A) date/time when the deer was initially hit by an arrow by the hunter (approximation is acceptable)
  - B) property location where deer was initially hit by an arrow by the hunter
  - C) date/time IPD showed up to track deer (when tracking started)
  - D) date/time deer is euthanized or found dead or indication that deer was not found
  - E) location of where deer is euthanized or found dead (if known) or indication that deer was not found
  - F) tracking path (if known)
13. The President (Vice President or proxy) will send the information gathered in item 12 to the rest of the board in a timely fashion and the data will be recorded on the HH Inc. website, and also reported at the HH Inc. annual meeting.
14. Definitions:
- A) President (or Vice President, if President is not available).
  - B) Proxy. The HH Inc. Board can appoint up to 2 (two) individuals as proxies. Said proxies shall be HH Inc. members. The proxy shall serve strictly at the pleasure of the HH Inc. Board. At least one proxy shall be present if the Board President (or Vice President) is not available.
15. Any violation of the above paragraphs shall be deemed trespassing.
16. This Proxy Protocol can be executed in counterparts by the Huntington Hills Inc Board Members of record with the each member's signature constituting the acceptance and ratification of said document.

Signed by Board Members:

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President - SAMUEL RUGGEN

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