

Town of Rodman  
12509 School Street  
Rodman, NY 13682  
Town Board Meeting  
September 11, 2019 – 7:00 PM Scheduled

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Rodman, County Jefferson and, the State of New York was at the Community Hall Offices, 12509 School Street, Rodman, NY on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September 2019.

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Gary Stinson	-----	Supervisor
	Arthur Baderman	-----	Councilman
	Vance Carpenter	-----	Councilman
	Lisa Worden	-----	Councilwoman
	Stuart Tamblin	-----	Councilman
	Dale Tamblin	-----	Highway Superintendent
	Amy Simpson	-----	Absent
	Jacob Bull	-----	Town Zoning Officer's
	John Stinson	-----	Planning Board Chairman
	Margaret McKay	-----	Library Manager

Supervisor Stinson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**PRIVIEGE of the FLOOR:** No one spoke.

Councilman Arthur Baderman made a motion to approve the August minutes; Councilman Vance Carpenter seconded the motion. All were in favor.

**DANC REPORT** –Patricia M. Pastella, General Manager Solid Waste Division of the Development Authority of the North Country (DANC) state that they are regrading the top of the landfill and minimize the leachate production caused by precipitation.

DANC hired Christopher O’Conner as an equipment operator.

Ms. Pastella stated the open house held in August was well attended.

DANC reviewed and approved eleven special waste requests.

Patricia M. Pastella, stated that DANC received a total of 1,786 scale transactions, totaling 20,841.20 tons of material; which is 1,837 tons over projections in the month of August.

DANC processed 167 payments for various vendors, totaling \$2.34M.

DANC has recorded 4.02 inches of rain for the month of August.

There were 1,367,400 gallons of leachate hauled to the Watertown Treatment Plant in the month of August and 34,400 gallons of leachate hauled to the Rome WWTP in the month of August. Totaling 1,401,800 gallons of leachate.

DANC stated the Liner and Storage Building Project was bid on July 23, 2019 and the contract was awarded to a general contractor. This project will start at the end of September.

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DANC installed a radiation detection system at the scales, which will detect any radioactive material on trucks. Testing and training will be completed at the end of September.

**CTHC REPORT** – Kay Chapman, Representative of the Cooperative Tug Hill Council (CTHC), submitted a report for the month of August.

Ms. Chapman stated that the State Comptroller announced the tax levy for local government unit ends December 31, 2019.

There will be a Planning & Zoning workshop on Monday, September 16, 2019 at Jefferson Community College, Watertown, NY. RSVP by Friday, September 13, 2019. Resister at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/spot-zone-or-grant-the-illegal-use-variance-tickets-70141632511> or call 315-785-3144.

Minimum Maintenance Road training will be held on October 24<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm in Boonville. Contact Jennifer Armstrong-Symonds at [jarmstrong@tughill.org](mailto:jarmstrong@tughill.org) or call 315-371-7612.

Cooperative Tug Hill Council (CTHC) annual meeting will be held Thursday September 19<sup>th</sup>, at the Tug Hill Hideaway, West Leyden. Cocktail hour starts at 6:00 pm, dinner 7:00 pm, business meeting to follow. Reservations can be made by contacting Angie Kimball at [angie@tughill.org](mailto:angie@tughill.org) or call 315-599-8825 by Thursday September 12, 2019.

Salmon River Hatchery open house is on September 28<sup>th</sup>, located 2133 County Route 22, Altmar, NY from 8:30 am-4:00 pm. Admission is free. For more information see the DEC website.

#### **REPORTS:**

Supervisor's Financial Report –Supervisor Gary Stinson submitted a report for the month of August.

Town Zoning Officer's Report- Jacob Bull does not have anything to report for the month of August.

Town Justice Report- Amy Simpson submitted a report for the month of August. Judge Simpson presented the board with a check for \$1,756.00 for the month of August.

Town Clerk's Report- Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk, submitted a report for the month of August.

Jamie Ackley, Tax Collector, submitted a check in the amount of \$537.78. This is for the penalties collected during the 2019 tax collection. The Town Board audited and approved the records of the 2019 tax collection.

Highway Superintendent Report- Superintendent Dale Tamblin- submitted a report for the month of August.

Superintendent Dale Tamblin stated that the new truck will be complete after a few details have been addressed. The Town of Rodman should be receiving the truck within the new week.

Superintendent Dale Tamblin stated that the Town of Rodman can trade in the Milton loader this year for \$12,000. A motion was made by Councilman Stuart Tamblin to purchase a new Milton Loader for the Town of Rodman; Councilman Vance Carpenter seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Mr. Tamblin submitted the 2020 proposed highway budget.

Superintendent Dale Tamblin stated that he will be ordering mulch for the playground.

**WORDEN ROAD, CLOSED:** Superintendent Dale Tamblin stated that New York State deems the bridge on Worden Road unsafe for traffic. The Worden Bridge is closed as of September 11, 2019. Superintendent Tamblin stated that he would like to make the seasonal portion of the road that connects to Pork Hill a minimum maintenance road. Supervisor Gary Stinson stated he will be talking to Jim Lawrence in the next few days.

**SEXUAL HARRASSEMENT TRAINING:** Sexual Harassment training will be held on September 16, 2019 at the Rodman Fire Hall. Class starts at 6:30 pm, all is encouraged to attend.

**LIBRARY:** Library Manager Margaret McKay submitted a Library report for the month of August and the Libraries 2020 proposed budget. Mrs. McKay asked the town board for increase funding for the upcoming 2020 year. Library Manager Margaret McKay stated that with the increase in programming, maintaining the libraries book spending and the libraries attendance increase, Mrs. McKay feel that the funding of \$13,000 a year is needed. After a discussion Supervisor Gary Stinson stated that the town will discuss the possible increase at the upcoming budget meeting. All agreed.

**STORAGE BUILDING:** Supervisor Gary Stinson stated that the storage building on the ball field is complete. The Town Board agreed that the work done by JP Hazelwood was outstanding. The Town Board would like to hire JP Hazelwood to add onto the second dugout. JP Hazelwood submitted an estimate in the amount of \$7,700. This cost will cover the siding and new roof. A motion was made by Councilman Vance Carpenter hire JP Hazelwood for the construction; Councilman Arthur Baderman seconded the motion. All were in favor.

**FOURTH COAST:** Fourth Coast Representative Rob Campany reviewed the solar proposal of the lighting district, town barn, the transfer station and water district to the town board. After some discussion the town board would like Representative Rob Campany to look into different options for the placement of the solar panels. The cost of the solar project is \$178,982.98. Representative Rob Campany also stated that the panel located in the water pump house is corroded and should upgraded. The solar project will be tabled until the October's meeting.

#### **Old/New**

Councilwoman Lisa Worden asked if Fourth Coast gave the Town of Rodman any warranties on equipment they want to install. Councilwoman Worden has concern that the town would not benefit from the solar project for possibly 21 to 25 years. Councilman Vance Carpenter shared the same concerns. Councilman Stuart Tamblin also shared his concerns about the water district not having a vote before that system is installed. The Fourth Coast Solar Project will be tabled to October's meeting.

Councilwoman Lisa Worden asked if the water pump is under the Water District's budget. Councilman Arthur Baderman stated that yes, the water pump will fall under the Water District not the Town.

Councilwoman Lisa Worden asked if a meeting was set up with the town Accountant Terry Dack so that all board members could attend as it was stated in a previous meeting. Supervisor Gary Stinson stated that the process is that the Supervisor prepares the budget, then submits it to the Town Clerk, to then give to the board members. Supervisor Stinson then stated that a meeting can be set up after that process is done. Councilman Arthur Baderman stated that the board needs to designate some of the funds to the proper areas. Supervisor Stinson stated a meeting with town Accountant Terry Dack will be after he finishes the budget. Supervisor Stinson stated the town will comply with previous years.

Superintendent Dale Tamblin stated he is asking the town to budget for a pay loader swap at \$12,000. Mr. Tamblin asked to budget a 2020 F-350 pickup \$34,000 and Hitchdoc Hydraulic snow blower for the pay loader total cost being \$62,000. After a discussion Supervisor Gary Stinson stated that the town will discuss the possible increase at the upcoming budget meeting. All agreed.

Superintendent Dale Tamblin is asking the town board to consider raising his yearly income to an average amount of the surrounding townships.

Town Clerk Jamie Ackley asked on Judge Simpson behalf if Supervisor Gary Stinson received the justice audit. Supervisor Gary Stinson stated that he did receive it.

Town Clerk Jamie Ackley stated that STAT is coming the week of September 23, 2019 to install a new door lock.

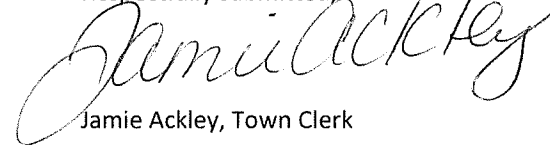
Planning Board Chairman asked the town to consider buying a shedder for the town office.

General bills numbered 235-258 in the total amount of \$178,156.77 and highway bills numbered 128-143 in the total amount of \$145,622.15 were audited and ordered paid.

Rodman Town Board entered into executive session for personal reasons at 8:46 pm. Executive session ended at 9:02 pm. After a closed discussion the Rodman Town Board all agreed to accept the Teamsters contract. Gary Stinson signed the Teamsters contract at 9:04 pm.

Supervisor Gary Stinson motioned to adjourn at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk

Next board meeting October 9, 2019 @7:00 pm