

Town of Rodman
12509 School Street
Rodman, NY 13682
Town Board Meeting
February 8, 2023
7:00 PM Rescheduled

A scheduled 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 8th day of February, 2023.

PRESENT:	Lisa Worden	-----	Supervisor
	Arthur Baderman	-----	Councilman
	Vance Carpenter	-----	Councilman-Absent
	Stuart Tamblin	-----	Councilman
	Micheal Gaylord	-----	Councilman-Absent
	Dale Tamblin	-----	Highway Superintendent
	Jamie Ackley	-----	Town Clerk
	Amy Simpson	-----	Town Justice-Absent
	Justin Sorensen	-----	Town Zoning Officer-Absent
	John Stinson	-----	Planning Board Chairman
	Linda McConnell	-----	Library Manager-Absent
	Jim Rounds	-----	Town of Rodman Assessor

Supervisor Lisa Worden called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, at the Rodman Community Hall.

PRIVILEGE of the FLOOR- None.

Councilman Arthur Baderman made a motion to approve January's minutes; Supervisor Lisa Worden seconded the motion. All were in favor.

DANC REPORT – Stuart Tamblin, Assistant Landfill Superintendent, Solid Waste Division of the Development Authority of the North Country (DANC), submitted a report for the month of December.

DANC received a total of 1,391 scale transactions, totaling 16,568.97 tons of material; which is 2,981 tons under projections for the month of January.

DANC reviewed, approved and processed three special waste requests, two asbestos and one reduced tip fee request.

DANC had 660 mattresses diverted from the landfill in the month of January.

DANC diverted approximately 37.78 tons of tires in the month of January.

DANC has recorded 2.59 inches of rain for the month of January.

There were 2,282,850.00 gallons of leachate hauled to the Watertown Treatment Plant in the month of January. The City of Watertown accepted 267 loads.

CTHC REPORT–Beth Steria, Representative of the Cooperative Tug Hill Council (CTHC), submitted a report for the month of January. (See attachment)

The New York State Archives has announced guidelines for the 2023-2024 Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund (LGRMIF) grant cycle. The eGrant portal was opened on January 4, 2023, and applications will be accepted until March 1, 2023. For more information visit the LGRMIF webpage.

The Great Lakes Basin Small Grants Program is now accepting applications for project proposals up to \$50,000 until March 1, 2023. This program has directly supported implementation of New York's Great Lakes Action Agenda since 2014 and is a partnership effort of DEC and New York Sea Grant . For more information visit <https://small-grantsprogram-ccegeomaps.hub.arcgis.com/pages/apply-forfunding>.

The New York Planning Federation's annual conference has been scheduled and is in person this year. The conference will be held from April 16th, to the 18th at the Saratoga Hilton, Saratoga Springs. For more information and to register visit <https://nypf.org/annual-conference-registration/>.

New York State has approved a new property tax exemption for volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers who have served a minimum of two years providing municipalities opt-in to the process via local law. For more information visit <https://www.tax.ny.gov/pitcredits/volunteerfirefighters.htm>.

New York State Releaf will be hosting a webinar titled "The Cost of Not Maintaining Your Trees" on February 28th, from Noon to 1:00 pm.

The Commission's 2023 Local Government Conference has been scheduled for April 5th and 6th at Turning Stone Event Center in Verona, New York. The registration

Materials have been sent by mail or register at <https://tughill.org/lgc2023/>. You must register by March 3rd, 2023.

Supervisor's Financial Report – Supervisor Lisa Worden submitted a Monthly Report of Receipts and Payments for January, it was read and filed.

Town Zoning Officer's Report- No report was submitted.

Town Justice Report- Judge Amy Simpson submitted a report for the month of November. Judge Amy Simpson presented the board with a check in the amount of \$1,345.00 for the month of January.

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

Town Clerk Jamie Ackley submitted the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Report for the month of January.

Town Clerk Jamie Ackley submitted a signed copy of the 2023 tax collection receipt. Mrs. Ackley wrote a check on February 30, 2023 in the amount of \$175,176.57 payable to the Town of Rodman.

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

Superintendent Dale Tamblin asked the board to consider allowing Supervisor Lisa Worden to sign the New York State Highway Law #284. The New York State Highway Law #284 is an agreement between the Town of Rodman/Supervisor and the Rodman Highway Department funds to be entered into the year 2023. All agreed.

Superintendent Dale Tamblin asked the board for the approval to CHIP Seal the following roads; Bibbins, Cemetery, Caird. Loveland, Lowe, Coffeen, Main Street, Old Bridge, Pork Hill, Smith, Whitford, Williams, and Wyman which is a total of 10.37 miles. The estimated cost per suit-Kote is \$17,000 a mile.

Library Report- Library Manager Linda McConnell, submitted a review report for the 2022 year. (See attachment)

Planning Board- Planning Board Chairman John Stinson stated there are two pending subdivisions and two pending applications for the month of January.

Assessor- Assessor James Rounds, submitted a Preliminary Report for 2023 New York State Department of Tax and Finance Office of real Tax Services. (See the attachment)

Assessor James Rounds stated the county sent out mailings to every resident in Jefferson County. The mailing was to inform residents of the Senior Citizen Exemption. To qualify you must be a primary resident of Rodman, you must be 65 years of age by March 1, 2023 and your total income must be less than \$23,100 a year. Mr. Rounds left applications with the Town Clerk.

Supervisor /Town Clerk 4 year Term- Supervisor Lisa Worden stated it has come to the towns attention that the Towns Clerk position is a two year term. In the past the Town Clerk has run two year and four year terms. Neither the Board of Elections or the Town of Rodman can find documents that support the four year term. After some discussion the board feels the Town Supervisor and Town Clerk positions should be four year terms.

A motion was made by Councilman Arthur Baderman to approve res#02082023-1 which supports extending the Supervisors elected position from a two year to a four year term, Councilman Stuart Tamblin seconded the motion. All were in favor.

A motion was made by Councilman Arthur Baderman to approve res#02082023-2 which supports extending the Town Clerk elected position from a two year to a four year term, Councilman Stuart Tamblin seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated with the passing of these two resolutions (res#02082023-1 and res#02082023-2) it allows the Town of Rodman to put the two proposals on the Town of Rodman ballots in November. If one or both proposals are voted to pass in November a Local Law will be passed for one or both proposals. All agreed.

2023 Organizational Meeting

Planning Board Vice Chair

Margaret McKay

Supervisor Lisa Worden made a motion to approve the 2022 Organizational Meeting; Councilman Arthur Baderman seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Recycling Center Update- Supervisor Lisa Worden stated the improvements of the Recycling Center are ongoing.

Comprehensive Plan- Supervisor Lisa Worden stated there are no updates at this time with the Comprehensive Plan. Details coming in the near future.

NEW/OLD

Supervisor Lisa Worden presented the bill for South Jeff rescue in the amount of \$15,990. Supervisor Lisa Worden will be giving the bill to the Town Account Ashley Lowe.

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated the Water Board has hired Rodman Resident Zachary Washburn to fulfill Bill Abrams position. Mr. Washburn will be training with Mr. Abrams and attending New York State Health Training.

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated the Water Board will be using the ARPA Funds to purchase the new pumps that are needed from P&T Supply & Services, INC.

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated Peter Cheresnoski has contacted Supervisor Worden inquiring about the fuel agreement between the Fire District and the Town of Rodman. The Fire District has recently taken over the fire calls in Pinkney. After some discussion the town all agreed that the Fire District will keep track of the fuel cost over the next year.

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated the Rodman Fire District contacted her asking to put a link on the Town of Rodman website. All agreed.

General and highway bills numbered 31-66 in the total amount of \$224,497.35 were audited and ordered paid for the month of January.

Councilman Arthur Baderman motioned to adjourn at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk

Next Board Meeting- Wednesday, March 8, 2023 @ 7:00 PM