

Town of Rodman
12509 School Street
Rodman, NY 13682
Town Board Meeting
June 14, 2023
7:00 PM

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 14th day of May, 2023.

PRESENT:	Lisa Worden	-----	Supervisor
	Arthur Baderman	-----	Councilman
	Vance Carpenter	-----	Councilman
	Stuart Tamblin	-----	Councilman
	Micheal Gaylord	-----	Councilman
	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-

Josh Main Rodman Fire Chef informed the Town of Rodman Board that the Fire Department will be holding their annual Community days on July 29, 2023. More information will follow.

Councilman Stuart Tamblin made a motion to approve May's minutes, Supervisor Lisa Worden seconded the motion. All were in favor.

DANC REPORT – No report was submitted.

Stuart Tamblin, Assistant Landfill Superintendent, Solid Waste Division of the Development Authority of the North Country (DANC), stated DANC will be holding an open house over the summer. Details will follow.

DANC has hired Shaun Norton as the new director.

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

The June Tug Hill Commission meeting is scheduled for June 26, 2023 in the Village of Casterland (5185 State Route 410, Castorland). Starting at 10:00 am. The meeting is open to the public.

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

Town Zoning Officer's Report- Zoning Officer Justin Sorensen submitted a monthly report for the month of May.

Town Justice Report- Judge Amy Simpson submitted a report for the month of May. Judge Amy Simpson presented the board with a check in the amount of \$1,481.00 for the month of May.

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

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

Town Clerk Jamie Ackley stated she is now collecting the 2023 water bills.

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

Superintendent Tamblin stated he has billed the county \$22,855.53 thus far this year.

Superintendent Dale Tamblin asked the Town Board to allow him to purchase a 2024 Payloader in the amount of \$44,985. A motion was made by Councilman Arthur Baderman to purchase the 2024 Payloader, seconded by Councilman Stuart Tamblin. All in favor.

Library Report-Library Manager Linda McConnell submitted a report for the month of May.

The Rodman Library had 77 adults and 26 children come into the library during the month of May.

Daniel Hamilton built two new bookshelves.

The library held a Tea gathering on May 18th, with 15 ladies in attendance.

The Library has a Zoo New York Pass which can be used at the Watertown zoo. The pass will allow a family of two adults and four children to get in free. For more details call or stop into the Rodman Library.

The Children's Summer Reading Program will be starting on June 26, 2023. All children are welcome.

Planning Board- Planning Board Chairman John Stinson stated there are two applications under review in the month of May.

The Planning Board is awaiting documentation on a dog kennel business.

Planning Board Chairman Stinson stated RIC Energy Solar has submitted all documents that are needed to have a complete application to be approved after the Public Hearing on Thursday, June 29, 2023 at 6:30 pm. The Public Hearing will be held at the Rodman Fire Department.

Assessor- No report was submitted.

New/Old

South Jeff Rescue- Supervisor Lisa Worden stated South Jeff Rescue is asking for approval from neighboring townships to pass an agreement which would allow the South Jeff Rescue District to be on the landowners tax bills. Ms. Worden agreed this is a wonderful idea however with the lack of information and the high cost to the tax district she is not ready to make a decision. All agreed. There is an upcoming meeting on June 22, 2023 in regards to the Town of Rodman and the neighboring towns seeking more information. Supervisor Lisa Worden will keep the Town Board posted.

Comprehensive Plan- Supervisor Lisa Worden and Councilman Arthur Baderman continue to gather information on how to proceed with the Comprehensive Plan. After some discussion the tentative members of the Comprehensive Plan Board will be Councilman Arthur Baderman, Councilman Stuart Tamblin, Planning Board Chairman John Stinson, Planning Board member Margaret McKay, Superintendent Dale Tamblin, Peter Cheresinski, Steve and Angie Porter. The Comprehensive Plan Board Members will be meeting and sending all town residents a letter and questionnaire that will be able to be answered via internet or paper copy. This process should be starting in July. More details coming in the near future.

RIC Energy -Solar- Supervisor Lisa Worden stated after having a discussion with Planning Board Chairman John Stinson and the Town Attorney she feels the Town of Rodman should vote to do a moratorium until the Comprehensive Plan is completed. Supervisor Lisa Worden asked the Town of Rodman Board Members to vote to move forward with the moratorium.

Councilman Stuart Tamblin- Yes
Councilman Vance Carpenter- Yes
Councilman Micheal Gaylord- Yes
Councilman Arthur Baderman- No
Supervisor Lisa Worden- Yes

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated she will be in contact with Town Attorney Kevin Mcardle and Jefferson County to review the next step of the moratorium.

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated that back in 1981 there was a resolution passed that the Rodman Town Clerk, Rodman Town Supervisor and Rodman Highway Superintendent were all moved from two year terms to four year terms. The Rodman Town Clerk and Rodman Highway Superintendent were both voted and passed on by town residents in an official Election. The Rodman Supervisor never went to vote. With that being said, there will be a proposition on the back of the ballot in the 2023 November's election.

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated there will be a benefit for the Town of Rodman Zoning Officer Justin Sorensen on July 16, 2023 at the Fire Hall.

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated National Grid will send out letters to some of the Town of Rodman landowners in regards to upgrades to power poles.

General and highway bills numbered 141-176 in the total amount of \$99,458.49 were audited and ordered paid for the month of May.

Councilman Arthur Baderman motioned to adjourn at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk

Next board meeting July 12, 2023 @ 7:00 pm