

Town of Rodman
12509 School Street
Rodman, NY 13682
Town Board Meeting
October 9, 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 9th day of October 2019.

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| PRESENT: | Gary Stinson | ----- | Supervisor |
| | Arthur Baderman | ----- | Councilman |
| | Vance Carpenter | ----- | Councilman |
| | Lisa Worden | ----- | Councilwoman |
| | Stuart Tamblin | ----- | Councilman |
| | Dale Tamblin | ----- | Highway Superintendent |
| | Jamie Ackley | ----- | Town Clerk |
| | Amy Simpson | ----- | Town Justice - Absent |
| | Jacob Bull | ----- | Town Zoning Officer |
| | John Stinson | ----- | Planning Board Chairman |
| | Margaret McKay | ----- | Library Manager- Absent |

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 September minutes; Councilman Vance Carpenter 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 on behalf of Patricia M. Pastella, General Manager.

Mr. Tamblin presented a Host Community check in the amount of \$222,120.02 to the Rodman Town Board.

Due to the leachate hauling issues, DANC is clean shedding. Clean shedding is when DANC uses dirty storm water that is onsite.

DANC stated that they are working on seeding and getting ready for the upcoming winter months.

DANC has contracted with Geiter Done Demolition to provide tire recycling services to the three county planning unit.

DANC has recycled 142 mattresses in Lewis County and 209 in St. Lawrence County totaling 351 mattresses.

Mr. Tamblin stated that DANC hosted a House Hold Waste (HHW) collection event in Lewis County. They collected 172 vehicles and 201 household participated.

Mr. Tamblin stated that DANC hosted a House Hold Waste (HHW) collection event in St. Lawrence County. They collected 256 vehicles and 306 household participated.

Mr. Tamblin, stated that DANC received a total of 1,754 scale transactions, totaling 21,788.52 tons of material; which is 2,002 tons over projections in the month of September.

DANC processed 145 payments from various vendors, totaling \$206,227.

DANC has recorded 4.64 inches of rain for the month of September.

There were 1,376,000 gallons of leachate hauled to the Watertown Treatment Plant in the month of September. The city of Watertown is accepting 10 loads per day.

DANC processed 14 community improvement request, 7 asbestos request and 8 special waste request for the month of September.

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

As of September 26, 2019, the commission hired Alaina Mallette from Calcium, New York as a planner.

The land trust received over \$2 million from New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets to protect over 1400 acres of farmland. The funds will ensure the land is used for agricultural purposes to help farms diversify or transition operations into the next generation. In Jefferson County, the Northrup & Sons Farm in the Town of Adams and Rodman received a total of \$468,878 to protect 323 acres.

The Six Town Community Fund Grant is available to southern Jefferson County towns which include Adams, Ellisburg, Lorraine, Rodman and Worth. The grant supports projects and activities that enhance the quality of life in the targeted communities. These southern Jefferson County towns may apply for the grant by November 15, 2019. To apply contact Max Delsignore, Assistant Director of the Northern New York Community Foundation at 315-782-7110 or email max@nnycf.org.

The New York Tug Hill Commission's annual Dinner & Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 7, 2019 at Tug Hill Vineyards in Lowville, New York. The cost is \$30 per person with a cash bar. Please call 315-785-2380 with any questions.

REPORTS:

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

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

Town Justice Report- Amy Simpson submitted a report for the month of September. Judge Simpson presented the board with a check for \$2,496.00 for the month of September.

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

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

Superintendent Dale Tamblin brought the new snow plow over for the town board members to see.

Superintendent Dale Tamblin stated that Herb Philipson in Watertown, NY is closed. Mr. Tamblin asked the town board to set up an account at Lowville Farmers Co-Op Inc. & Clothing in Lowville, NY for the town crew workers to receive their clothes allowance. Mr. Tamblin stated the crew workers have not received their Town of Rodman t-shirts for the 2019 year. Mr. Tamblin stated at Victory Promotions INC, the pricing for six t-shirts is \$580 or two hooded sweatshirts priced at \$440. Due to the upcoming winter months the crew workers are asking for 2 hooded sweatshirts with Town of Rodman emblem instead of the t-shirts. The town board were all in agreeance.

Councilman Arthur Baderman asked Superintendent Dale Tamblin what the crew is doing for the next six weeks. Superintendent Dale Tamblin stated they will be helping the county pave a portion of County Route 69, paving projects within town, and all the trucks need to be serviced and maintenance for the upcoming winter.

Councilman Arthur Baderman stated there is a tree that needs to be trimmed on Heath Road. Superintendent Dale Tamblin stated they will be checking all town roads looking for trees and brush that need to be trimmed.

Superintendent Dale Tamblin asked the board permission to post the 1999 Volvo ACL dump truck and plow on Auction International. All were in agreeance.

Superintendent Dale Tamblin stated that the week of October 7, will be the crewman's last four/ten hour days. The crew will be starting 8 hour days for the winter months.

Library Manager Margaret McKay submitted a Library report for the month of September.

A story walk was held on October 5, 2019, with 20 children and 11 adults in attendance.

The upcoming library events are as follows;

- November 2nd, - Story Time/Harvest Festival with Tug Hill Land Trust starting time will be 10:00am
- November 8th, - Ceramic Christmas Ornament classes for adults at 6:00pm
- November 9th, - Ceramic Christmas Ornament classes for children at 6:00pm
- November 16th, - Tug Hill Land Trust will be hosting a story time at 10:00am
- Also there is an adult and children book club that meets once a month. For details call the Rodman Library

STORAGE BUILDING: Supervisor Gary Stinson stated that the storage building located in the town park is coming along nicely. Councilman Vance Carpenter stated that JP Hazelwood needs to finish the roof and siding of the storage building before it is complete. Superintendent Dale Tamblin stated that he asked JP Hazelwood to install a deadbolt lock to the back door of the Community Hall and submit a separate bill.

Supervisor Gary Stinson stated he was contacted by Suburban Propane, they are asking to bid on the fuel delivered to the town barn. Suburban quoted the Town of Rodman at \$1.29 for the next year or a daily fluctuation price which is currently \$1.14. Councilwoman Lisa Worden stated that there was a current bill from E&V Propane that should be looked at before making the decision. After some discussion the town decided to pay E&V Propane's price of \$1.19 per gallon and the board was all agreement to stay with the current provider.

Supervisor Gary Stinson stated he was contacted by several town residents about a lot of after dark traffic entering down the side driveway of the Community Hall. There was some discussion about people maybe using the public Wi-Fi. Code Officer Jacob Bull shared some concerns

about people driving down into the driveway after dark. Supervisor Gary Stinson stated he feels that a motion light or a dusk to dawn light should be installed. A motion was made by Supervisor Gary Stinson to hire JP Hazelwood for the installation of the Dust to dawn light; Councilman Arthur Baderman seconded the motion. All were in favor. JP Hazelwood will submit a separate bill to the Town of Rodman for the installation.

Old/New

Town Clerk Jamie Ackley stated Library Manager Margaret McKay would like to take over the roll as town historian. Town Clerk Jamie Ackley stated that the current town historian Robert Feldman is more than happy to turn the town historian position over to Ms. McKay. All were in agreeance.

Town Clerk Jamie Ackley stated that K Sickler-Murphy Records Management Consultants have finished work with the Town of Rodman records. They will be holding a training within the next couple weeks. They asked that the town board members attend along with Planning Board Members, Library Manager, Town Accountant and Highway Superintendent. Ms. Ackley will email everyone with a date and time of the training.

Town Clerk Jamie Ackley stated that K Sickler-Murphy Records Management Consultants recommended that Town Clerk Jamie Ackley purchase a town computer to put the town records on. Currently, Ms. Ackley is working off the computer that is provided by the county. After some discussion the town board agreed to allow Town Clerk Jamie Ackley to purchase laptop computer from Staples. Another recommendation was the destroying of all obsolete electronics and things that are nothing of value to the Town of Rodman. A motion was made by Councilman Arthur Baderman to allow Town Clerk Jamie Ackley to dispose of all unnecessary clutter in the Community Hall; Councilman Stuart Tamblin seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Town Clerk Jamie Ackley stated she would like to purchase a label maker and a shredder for the town office. All were in agreeance.

Councilwomen Lisa Worden asked who was in charge of taking down the batting cage and the signs along the fence. Councilman Stuart Tamblin stated he would contact Troy Matteson so that all the baseball equipment is taken down for the upcoming winter months.

Robert Williams presented the town board with the Town of Rodman's 2020 water districts budget. Supervisor Gary Stinson stated that the water district portion of the 2020 budget will change. Mr. Stinson stated that there will be a salary increase for Bill Abrams to \$5,000 and the

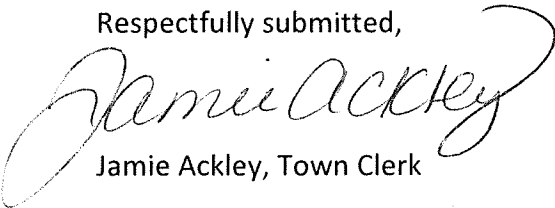
expense for supply funds that are needed will also increase to \$6,500. The water rate will stay the same.

Supervisor Gary Stinson submitted a statement about his roll of Town of Rodman Supervisor for the last 12 years. The letter stated his accomplishments that he made during his tenure as Town Supervisor. Councilman Arthur Baderman stated the board appreciates Supervisor Stinson financial background. Supervisor Stinson stated that he hopes that that new Supervisor is successful.

Supervisor Gary Stinson asked with the exception of the water district, is everyone in agreeance on the 2020 budget. Councilman Arthur Baderman stated a capital building reverse account needs to be established for the \$350,00,00. All were in agreeance. Supervisor Gary Stinson will be contacting Town Account Terry Dack for the changes.

Supervisor Gary Stinson motioned to adjourn at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jamie Ackley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk

Public Hearing- Preliminary Budget November 7, 2019 @6:00 pm

Next board meeting November 13, 2019 @7:00 pm