

Town of Rodman
Town Board Meeting
January 11, 2017 7:00 PM

County of Jefferson
State of New York

Present were Supervisor Gary Stinson, Councilpersons Arthur Baderman, Lisa Worden, Stuart Tamblin, Vance Carpenter and Highway Superintendent Dale Tamblin.

Councilwoman Lisa Worden made a motion to approve the December minutes; Councilman Arthur Baderman seconded the motion. All were in favor

DANC Report – Rich LeClerc, General Manager, and Solid Waste Division of the Development Authority of the North Country (DANC) presented a Host Community check in the amount of \$174,076.29 to the Rodman Town Board.

DANC stated that approximately three thousand feet of litter fencing needs to be replaced along with 20 to 30 poles. These replacements come after the windy storm blew through the area.

There have been signs placed at all the tri-county transfer stations that show what is accepted.

Rich LeClerc stated that DANC received 16,212 tons of waste in the month of December, approximately 1,760 tons above projections.

There was 1, 849,000 gallons of leachate hauled to the Watertown Treatment Plant.

DANC is continuing use the new leachate loadout.

DANC stated that the outside work on the scale relocation project is on hold until spring. The inside work is making progress.

THC Report – Kay Chapman, Representative of the Cooperative Tug Hill Council (CTHC), stated there will be a grant writing workshops 1&2 held at Madison-Oneida BOCES. Grant Writing I workshops is on March 15 & April 5, 2017, on the introduction to finding grants sources & learning the basic of writing a grant proposal. Grant Writing II assists those working on a specific grant application will be held on April 26, & May 17, 2017. For a comprehensive list go to <https://registration.xenegrade.com/moboces/searchResults.cfm>.

The Nature Conservancy's Adirondack Chapter purchased 756 acres of forest with two miles of riverfront along the Moose River in the town of Lyonsdale for \$880,000. Nature Conservancy will hold the land until they can find a conservation owner to manage the property and will support the tourism economy.

New York State DEC's Urban & Community Forest Grant is now accepting applications to implement successful tree inventory, community forest management, tree planting or maintenance projects. Applications must be submitted in NYS Grants Gateway by 2pm on March 1, 2017. To register go to <https://meetny.webex.com/meetny/i.php>.

E-Waste Recycling grant will once again be accepting applications January 2 through January 31, 2017 for municipalities with collection & recycling of eligible electronic waste. Applications are found on www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/107384.html. For questions go to RecyclingGrants@dec.ny.gov or call 518-402-8678.

Winter Outings with Tug Hill Tomorrow Land Trust on Saturday, January 14, 2017 from 10:00am-2:00pm. Visit the gulf & look for 150 year old hemlock trees and explore DANC nature trails. Bring cross county skies or snowshoes. On Saturday, February, 11, 2017 from 10:00-2:00, snowshoe and hike on protected land that is privately owned. RSVP to Lianna Lee, Community Programs Manager at tughilloutreach@nnyemail.com or call 315-779-2239.

Supervisor's Financial Report - Supervisor Gary Stinson submitted a report for the month of December.

Town Zoning Officer's Report-Jacob Bull stated he has nothing to report for the month of December.

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

Town Justice Report- Amy Simpson submitted a report for the month of December. Judge Simpson presented the board with a check for \$3,575.

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

Superintendent Dale Tamblin stated Walker Lowe hurt his back after slipping while getting in the truck. Mr. Lowe was taken off work for a few days and has returned.

Superintendent Tamblin stated that the current boiler in the town barn is the most efficient and updated boiler system.

Mr. Tamblin asked the board to consider possibly replacing or fixing the overhead doors at the town barn. Councilman Arthur Baderman asked Superintendent Tamblin to get price quotes on what he feels need replacing. Superintendent Tamblin stated he would look in to pricings and possible grants to help with the cost.

Superintendent Tamblin asked the board to consider allowing the highway crew to purchase their pants from UniFirst out of their clothing allowance. Supervisor Stinson stated that would be up to the crew workers to use part of their \$300 clothing allowance to purchase pants from UniFirst. The contract with UniFirst is up in March of this year. Mr. Tamblin has had no luck getting in contact with a manager or sale representative from UniFirst.

Superintendent Tamblin asked the board to consider allowing him to move forward with the process of abandoning Cramer Road extension. Mr. Tamblin stated after talking to Jeff LaRose, Cramer Road, that Mr. LaRose would be in favor of the town signing over the right away to him. Councilwoman Lisa Worden stated that the town could keep the right away that is needed for the cemetery and abandon the rest of Cramer Road. The town board agrees that Superintendent Tamblin can start the process in abandoning part of Cramer Road extension.

2017 Organizational Meeting-

Town Board meetings	Every second Wednesday of the month
Designated newspaper	Jefferson County Journal, Watertown Daily Times
Designated bank	Watertown Savings Bank, Key Bank
Association of Towns delegate	Gary Stinson
Budget Officer	Gary Stinson
Zoning Officer	Jacob Bull
Deputy Supervisor	Arthur Baderman
Highway Supt. Working Foreman	Craig Foltz
Deputy Town Clerk	Polly Morgan, Kay Chapman
Town Attorney	Brown, Dierdorf & Renzi
Planning Board Chairman	John Stinson
Zoning Board of Appeals	None
DANC Citizen Advisory Committee	None
Planning Board member	Sandra Groff Niles Turner
Planning Board (vice chair)	Sandra Groff

Supervisor Gary Stinson made a motion to approve the 2017 Organizational Meeting; Councilwoman Lisa Worden seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Councilman Stuart Tamblin asked Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk to place the open positions on the town website.

Governors Water Improvement Program- Supervisor Gary Stinson stated that the Town of Rodman water system is approximately 40 years old. Mr. Stinson will research any available grants for improvements that may need to be done.

Assessor update- Supervisor Gary Stinson stated that Tim Ritter, temporary assessor is currently working on the Town of Rodman assessment review. There will be a meeting coming up between Mr. Ritter, Town of Rodman, Town of Lorraine and Roxanne Burns to discuss the review.

Old/New

Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk, asked the board to approve a resolution that needs to be submitted to New York State and Local Retirement System. The resolution is that the Town of Rodman establishes and reports all work day hours for Elected and Appointed Officials. Councilman Arthur Baderman made the motion that the resolution be passed for Sandra Groff. Councilman Stuart Tamblin seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Councilwoman Lisa Worden asked Jacob Bull, Town Zoning Officer if he received a call about putting a partition down the middle of the Masonic Hall to create two apartments. Mr. Bull stated he has not received a phone call asking about the Masonic Hall. Councilwoman Lisa Worden stated that the Masonic Hall will be put on the market in the near future.

Superintendent Tamblin stated that there is a tractor trailer owned by a town resident that is parked in the public parking lot across the road from the Community Hall. Mr. Tamblin stated there is no overnight parking in this area. Mr. Tamblin told the owner that the trailer could stay the weekend and then would have to be moved. The town

board were all in agreeance that the tractor trailer cannot be parked in the public parking lot for a long period of time.

Supervisor Gary Stinson stated he will be looking into possibly purchasing a new copier for the office.

Councilman Arthur Baderman stated the Town of Rodman should have a comprehensive plan. Councilman Stuart Tamblin believes that the planning board is working on a comprehensive plan that Planning Board Chairman John Stinson would have more information.

Supervisor Gary Stinson stated he will be ordering transfer station stickers to apply on the outside of the town residents vehicle. After some discussion the town board agrees that the stickers only be given to Town of Rodman Residents.

Supervisor Gary Stinson asked all board members to turn in their Local Government Conference applications in on February 8, 2017.

General bills numbered 001-011 in the total amount of \$8,943.96 and highway bills numbered 001-009 in the total amount of \$24,101.38 were audited and ordered paid.

Supervisor Gary Stinson motioned to adjourn at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk

Next Meeting February 8, 2017

Board Meeting at 7:00pm