

Town of Rodman
12509 School Street
Rodman, NY 13682
Town Board Meeting
July 12, 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 12th day of July, 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
	Justin Sorensen	-----	Town Zoning Officer-Absent
	John Stinson	-----	Planning Board Chairman
	Linda McConnell	-----	Library Manager-Absent
	Jim Rounds	-----	Town of Rodman Assessor-Absent

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

PRIVILEGE of the FLOOR-

Councilman Vance Carpenter made a motion to approve June's minutes, Councilman Stuart Tamblin seconded the motion. All were in favor.

DANC REPORT – Shawn Thorton, General Manager, Solid Waste Division of Development Authority of the North Country (DANC), submitted a report for the month of June.

DANC received a total of 1,881 scale transactions, totaling 22,356.08 tons of material; for the month of June.

DANC reviewed, approved and processed twelve special waste requests and one reduced tip fee requests in the month of June.

DANC had 1,516 mattresses diverted from the landfill in the month of June.

DANC diverted approximately 15.14 tons of tires in the month of June.

DANC has recorded 2.62 inches of rain for the month of June.

There were 1,206,665 gallons of leachate hauled to the Watertown Treatment Plant in the month of June. The City of Watertown accepted 122 loads.

There were 34,387 gallons of leachate hauled to the the City of Ogdensburg in the month of June. The City of Watertown accepted four loads.

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

The Tug Hill Commission acquired a MetroCount MC5900 Series Roadside Unit with related software for computer desktop analysis that is available for Tug Hill municipalities. For more information contact Gabriel Yerdon at the Commission Office at gabriel@tughill.org or 315-785-2387.

The Tug Hill would like to remind everyone that the 2023 Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) is now open. Visit <https://regionalcouncils.ny.org/> for more information. The deadline is Friday, July 28, 2023.

The New York Planning Federation has announced their Fall Planning and Zoning School schedules. There will be five training sessions between the months of August and October. For more information and to register visit <https://nypf.org/2023-summer-fal-training-schools/>.

The Commission is hosting an in-person training on “Highway Departments and Town Budgets” at the Town of Trenton municipal building *(8520 Old Poland Road, Barneveld) on Wednesday, August 23, 2023 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. The training will be led by Laird Petrie (retired, Office of the State Comptroller). To register contact your circuit rider or visit tughill@tughill.org.

As part of the Tug Hill Commission’s 50th anniversary celebration, they are seeking nominations for Tug Hill Sages. A Tug Hill Sage is an individual who has demonstrated a lifelong commitment to the region through leadership, civic involvement, and community service. The Sage could also be an individual who has otherwise directly contributed to improving the quality of life for those on Tug Hill. Visit the Commission's website www.tughill.org for nomination form and criteria.

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

Supervisor Lisa Worden reminded everyone there will be a benefit held on July 16, 2023 for Justine Sorensen.

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

There were no principle use applications received in the month of June.

There was one Special Use permit issued in the month of June.

Town Justice Report- Judge Amy Simpson submitted a report for the month of June. Judge Amy Simpson presented the board with a check in the amount of \$1,236.00 for the month of June.

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

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

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

Library Report- No report was submitted.

Planning Board- Planning Board Chairman John Stinson stated there is one application under review for the month of June.

The application for a dog kennel business on Williams Road has been completed and approved.

.Planning Board Chairman John Stinson stated the RIC Energy has been sent for review to the Jefferson County Planning Board. Mr. Stinson stated that RIC has agreed to extend the application deadline 60 days.

Assessor-No report was submitted.

Comprehensive Plan- Councilman Arthur Baderman continues to gather information on how to proceed with the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Baderman stated the first Comprehensive Plan meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 18, 2023 at 6:30 pm.

RIC Energy -Solar/Gymo- Supervisor Lisa Worden introduced Town Attorney Kevin McArdle to the Rodman Town Board. Supervisor Lisa Worden asked Mr. McArdle to explain the next step with the moratorium and RIC Energy. After some discussion the Town of Rodman made the decision to move forward with the moratorium. Mr. McArdle stated the town should have a letter of intention stating that the town is planning on an active moratorium. Town Attorney Kevin McArdle will prepare the necessary paperwork for both the Planning Board and the Town Board.

RIC Energy Nancy Vlahos asked the Town of Rodman Board to consider allowing the Solar Project to move forward since the RIC Energy Solar application has already been submitted to the Planning Board. RIC Energy has agreed to slow their process down slightly while the Town of Rodman develops their Comprehensive Plan. RIC Energy has also stated they will make any changes that are needed once the Comprehensive Plan is complete. After some discussion Supervisor Lisa Worden asked each board member to allow or not to allow RIC Energy to move forward with their Solar Project. The votes were as follows;

Councilman Stuart Tamblin- Yes, allow

Councilman Micheal Gaylord- No do not allow

Councilman Vance Carpenter- No do not allow

Councilman Arthur Baderman- Yes, allow

Supervisor Lisa Worden- Yes, allow

RIC Energy will be moving forward with the Solar Project. RIC Energy will also be sending a check to be deposited into its own account to cover the cost of GYMO Architecture Engineering Surveying.

New/Old

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated she signed the yearly agreement that allows SNO PALS to trim the trees along the trails.

The Newly Elected 2024 Jefferson County District 10 Legislator Chris Boilio thanked the Town of Rodman for the votes.

Rodman Community Days are July 29th, at the Rodman Fire Hall. The Fire Department asked the town to sponsor the ice cream truck. All agreed.

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated there were six young teenagers that were not making good decisions on the playground approximately 12:30 am. The police were called and the teenagers were identified. The teenagers were told not to come on town property again or they will be charged with trespassing. With that being said the Town of Rodman will be placing signs up that state park hours are dusk till dawn.

A motion was made by Councilman Arthur Baderman which allows Superintendent Dale Tamblin to purchase a new mower in the amount of \$13,000, seconded by Supervisor Lisa Worden. All in favor.

General and highway bills numbered 227-258 in the total amount of \$192,832.77 were audited and ordered paid for the month of June.

Councilman Arthur Baderman motioned to adjourn at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk

Next board meeting August 9, 2023 @ 7:00 pm