

Town of Rodman
12509 School Street
Rodman, NY 13682
Town Board Meeting
August 13, 2025
7:00 PM Scheduled

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 13th day of August, 2025.

PRESENT:	Lisa Worden	-----	Supervisor
	Daniel Grandjean	-----	Councilman
	Vance Carpenter	-----	Councilman
	Stuart Tamblin	-----	Councilman
	Micheal Gaylord	-----	Councilman-Absent
	Dale Tamblin	-----	Highway Superintendent
	Jamie Ackley	-----	Town Clerk
	Amy Simpson	-----	Town Justice-Absent
	Andy Ondrasek	-----	Town Zoning Officer-Absent
	John Stinson	-----	Planning Board Chairman
	Linda McConnell	-----	Library Manager-Absent
	Karen Shaw	-----	Town of Rodman Assessor
	Ben Millard	-----	Building & Grounds

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

PRIVILEGE of the FLOOR- None.

Supervisor Lisa Worden made a motion to approve July's minutes; Councilman Vance Carpenter stated 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 July.

DANC received a total of 2,163 scale transactions, totaling 35,623.14 tons of material for July.

DANC diverted approximately 25,844.12 tons of waste from landfill this year.

There was 1,030,031 gallons of leachate hauled to the Watertown Treatment Plant in the month of July. The City of Watertown accepted 118 loads.

There were 35,116 gallons of leachate hauled to the City of Ogdensburg Treatment Plant in the month of July. The City of Ogdensburg accepted 4 loads.

DANC has recorded 2.28 inches of rain for the month of June.

Open House will be August 28, 2025 from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

CTHC REPORT—Denali Dietrich, Circuit Rider for Tug Hill Council (CTHC), submitted a report for the month of July. (See attachment)

SAVE the DATE- The Tug Hill Commission meeting will be held on Monday, August 18th, in Sylvan Beach.

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

Town Zoning Officer's Report- Zoning Officer Andy Ondrasek submitted a report for the month of July.

Town Justice Report- Judge Amy Simpson submitted a report for the month of July. Judge Amy Simpson presented the board with a check in the amount of \$1,313 for the month of July.

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

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

Town Clerk Jamie Ackley submitted the paid and unpaid 2025 water collection to the board.

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

Library Report-No report was Submitted.

Planning Board-No report was submitted.

Assessor-No report was submitted.

Buildings & Grounds- Ben Millard stated he will be calling Elliotts tree service for some tree removal.

Playground equipment has been ordered.

Cell Towers- Supervisor Lisa Worden stated after speaking to the Town attorney it was suggested that letters be sent to Cingular and Verizon stating their TSUPS (which is their permit) has expired. A copy of the town development law will be included and a request that Verizon and Cingular extend their permit. Then the Town Board would have an amended Local Law section 725 (1). Supervisor Lisa Worden will keep everyone posted after letters are sent.

Comprehensive Plan- Supervisor Lisa Worden stated the first draft of the Comprehensive Plan has been sent to the Jefferson County Planning Board for review. Jefferson County did not have a quorum however it sent their suggested changes. Matt Johnson from Tug Hill Commissions is updating the Comprehensive Plan. After Matt Johnson sends an updated plan the town will send the Comprehensive Plan back to the Jefferson County Planning Board.

Resolution (Senior Exemption)- Supervisor Lisa Worden stated the Local Law was sent to the town attorney for review. A Public Hearing will be planned in the upcoming months.

Rohde Center- Director Jerry Tackley from the Rohde Center provided information in regards to the program he represents. The Rohde Center located in Adams, New York serves nine towns and three school districts. The Rohde Center sent \$6,909 of their services for the Town of Rodman residence. There have been over 2,752 volunteer hours donated. Some of the programs the Rohde Center offers are the Food Pantry, Fresh Food Distribution, diaper co-op, summer lunch bag and the Food \$EN\$E program. The Rohde Center also distributed balanced meals, of which 34% went to individuals under the age of 18 years and 10% to seniors. Director Jerry Tackley asked the Town of Rodman to keep the Rohde Center in their upcoming 2026 budget.

Moratorium- Supervisor Lisa Worden stated due to the Comprehensive Plan not being finalized she suggested the town board may want to extend the Moratorium.. After a discussion all agreed. Supervisor Lisa Worden will contact the town attorney for further guidance.

GRADER- Superintendent Dale Tamblin submitted two quotes for a Grader. The first quote was Milton CAT and the second quote from John Deere. After some discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Stuart Tamblin to purchase the John Deere Greeter in the amount of \$525,730.94 and Councilman Vance Carpenter seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Claude Phelps- Superintendent Dale Tamblin stated Claude Phelps' previous Highway Superintendent in the Town of Rutland held a presentation in October of 2024 to the Town of Rodman Board. His presentation was about his newly started business with his wife Valerie Phelps called Data Collection Service. Data Collection Service is providing an elite gathering of highway related assets such as signs, culverts and roads in towns. The Data Collection Services will go out through a township making an inventory and documenting all assets needed to help the highway department currently and in the future. After listening to his presentation in October 2024 the town board decided to table it until a different time. Mr. Phelps has asked the board to now consider his business. After some discussion the town has decided not to move forward with the Data Collection Service offered by Mr. Phelps. It was discussed that this would fall under the Ben Millard, Building & Grounds.

OLD/NEW

Supervisor Lisa Worden asked everyone to submit their 2026 budget requests. All agreed.

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated she received the Jefferson County Dog Shelter report that is available for review.

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated the Hero Banners are a huge hit in our town. Round two of the hero banners will be ordered along with Christmas banners.

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated there will be a movie night on August 15, at dusk. This event is open to the public.

Rodman Town Board entered into a closed session at 8:06 to discuss: collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law (the Taylor Law) The executive session ended at 8:35 pm. After exiting the executive session at 8:36 pm no decisions were made. Supervisor Lisa Worden stated there will be an open contract meeting on Monday, August 25, 2025 at 10:00 am.

General and highway bills numbered 237-272 in the total amount of \$121,617.49 were audited and ordered paid for the month of July.

Supervisor Lisa Worden made a motion to adjourn at 8:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk

Next Board Meeting- Tuesday, September 10, 2025 @ 7:00 PM