

Town of Rodman  
12509 School Street  
Rodman, NY 13682  
Town Board Meeting  
September 8, 2021  
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 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020.

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Lisa Worden	-----	Supervisor
	Arthur Baderman	-----	Councilman
	Vance Carpenter	-----	Councilman
	Stuart Tamblin	-----	Councilman
	Jacob Bull	-----	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
	Open Position	-----	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-** No one spoke.

Councilman Vance Carpenter made a motion to approve the August minutes; Supervisor Lisa Worden 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.

DANC received a total of 1,706 scale transactions, totaling 19,870 tons of material; which is 1,810 tons over projections for the month of August.

There were 150 payments processed for various vendors, totaling \$836,497.

DANC reviewed, approved and processed three community improvement requests, six special waste requests and six asbestos requests.

DANC held their annual meeting with haulers, explaining updated insurance and safety requirements.

The collection system has been flushed and cleaning is complete up to the Leachate tanks.

DANC has reduced the area for hauler staging to minimize stormwater runoff

Books are being accepted for the debinding operation at RTS in Harrisville. A total of 5,653 pounds of books were recycled in August.

DANC diverted 643 mattresses in St. Lawrence County, 708 mattresses from Jefferson County and 148 mattresses from Lewis County totaling 1,499 mattresses diverted in the month of August..

There were a total of 51.31 tons of tires recycled in the month of August.

St. Lawrence County continues to process Single Stream Recyclables.

There were 24 loads hauled to Recycle America totaling 451 tons of recyclables.

Marcy Excavation is working on punch list items and repairing washout from heavy rains.

DANC has recorded 8.4 inches of rain in the month of August.

There were 880,650 gallons of leachate hauled to the Watertown Treatment Plant in the month of August. The City of Watertown is accepting 102 loads.

**CTHC REPORT** – Karleigh Stucky, Representative of the Cooperative Tug Hill Council (CTHC), submitted a report for the month of August.

The New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) has funding available to support bicycle, pedestrian, multi use path, and non-motorized transportation related projects and programs. This program has up to 80% reimbursement of project-related costs with 20% provided by the project sponsor. The program guidebook is available at <https://www.dot.ny.gov/dividions/operting/opdm/local-programs-bureau/tapcmaq/repository/TAP-CMAQ-Guidebook-2021.pdf>. There is a deadline of September 29, 2021.

The Justice Court Assistance Plan (JCAP) grant for 2021/2022 is now available. The deadline to apply is October 7, 2021. Court personnel will be able to access the page which includes emails addresses, fax number, and the username and password to access the application by visiting [www.nycourts.gov/courts/townandvillage](http://www.nycourts.gov/courts/townandvillage).

Ernest Leigh Portner, owner of Portner's sawmill will be narrating a slideshow of images taken during logging on Gould Paper Company Lands in the 1930s and 1940s. The webinars will be held on Tuesday, September 21st, from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm. To register go to <https://tinyurl.com/portnerlogging>.

The applications for the 2021 Technical Assistance Grant from the Preservation League of New York are available. The Technical Assistance Grant provides support for consulting projects that preserve New York State's cultural and historic resources. The application is due by October 11, 2021. For more information visit <https://www.preservenys.org/technical-assistance-grants>.

There are new additions of reference materials on the Tug Hill website. There are new technical papers on the Town Budget Process, new resources concerning information about the American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) funding. Visit the Tug Hill website at [www.tughill.org](http://www.tughill.org) for more information.

The Jefferson County Planning Department in partnership with Tug Hill Commission will be holding training at Jefferson Community College (JCC) on Monday, September 27, 2021 at 6:30 pm. The training will be about Planning Board Basics which will address various powers and duties of Towns, Villages and City Planning Boards To RSVP by calling Jefferson Planning Department at 315-785-3144 or via email at [planning@co.jefferson.ny.us](mailto:planning@co.jefferson.ny.us) or at <https://tughill.org/2021/08/23/planning-board-overview-training-september-27-at-jcc/>.

The Tug Hill Commission meeting is scheduled for September 20, 2021 at 10:00 am. The meeting will be at the Village of Carthage Offices (120 S. Mechanic St. Carthage). The public is welcome to attend.

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

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated the Town Board should be aware of the mandate that may come in the near future. Supervisor Worden stated at this time NYS is mandating more and more people to get vaccinated. As municipal employees which includes but not limited to the Highway Department and Town Office Staff may need to be vaccinated or be COVID tested weekly. At this time it is unclear who will be paying for the COVID testing.

**Town Zoning Officer's Report**- Justin Sorensen, Zoning Officer submitted a report for the month of August..

**Town Justice Report**- Judge Amy Simpson submitted a report for the month of August. Judge Amy Simpson presented the board with a check in the amount of \$1,711.50 for the month of August.

**JCAP Resolution**- The Town of Rodman court needs the Town Board to pass a resolution stating that Judge Amy J. Simpson can apply for a Justice Court Assistance Plan (JCAP) grant for 2021/2022. The JCAP grant is available through New York State that allows town and village courts to apply and receive up to \$30,000 to assist with courtroom needs. A motion was made by Councilman Stuart Tamblin for the approval of resolution #09082021-1 which allows the Town of Rodman Justice to apply for the NYS JCAP grant, Councilman Arthur Baderman seconded the motion. All were in favor.

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

Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk submitted the New York Department of Environment Conservation (DEC) report for the month of August.

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

Superintendent Dale Tamblin asked the town board to purchase a PayLoader. All agreed.

Superintendent Dale Tamblin stated Patsy Storino surveyed the land around the Town Highway Department.

Councilman Arthur Baderman asked Superintendent Dale Tamblin about the new heating system in the Rodman Transfer Station. Superintendent Tamblin stated Jason from DLH Mechanics will be installing a propane system in November.

**Library Report-** No report submitted.

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated Library Manager Margaret McKay has resigned.

**Planning Board-** Planning Board Chairman John Stinson submitted a report for the month of August.

Planning Board Chairman John Stinson stated there are four pending subdivisions for the month of August.

**Rohde Center-** Director Jerry Tackley from the Rohde Center provided information in regard to the program he represents. The Rohde Center located in Adams, New York has an operating expense of \$102,288 the food pantry. There have been over 2,752 volunteer hours donated by friends and neighbors at the Rohde Center Food Pantry, Fresh Food Distribution and the Food \$EN\$E. The Rohde Center also has distributed 199,851 balanced meals through the Rohde Center Food Pantry and the Fresh Food Program, including 111 Christmas Meals and 825 meals for school children through the summertime when school is not in session. Director Jerry Tackley thanks the Town of Rodman for their support over the years.

**Training-**Supervisor Lisa Worden stated there will be a Sexual Harassment and Violence in the work place training at the end of the month. Kevin Townsend, AAI, Insurance Agent & Broker will be holding the training at the Rodman Fire Hall.

**2022 Budget-**Supervisor Lisa Worden reviewed some budgeting numbers from the surrounding townships. Supervisor Lisa Worden stated there will be a 2021/2022 Budget Workshop on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 @ 6:00 pm. Town Clerk Jamie Ackley will post the appropriate notices.

## **NEW/OLD**

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated in August she received notice the Rodman Town Water Board received \$57,763.99 from the ARPA Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund. Supervisor Lisa Worden then stated the water board will be receiving an additional \$471.67, which will be split between summer of 2021 and summer of 2022. Mrs. Worden stated the Town of Rodman is eligible for the other half (\$57,999.82) of the funding in the summer of 2022, totaling \$115,999.65.

Councilman Jacob Bull stated the Windmill Law and the Solar Law should be posted on the town website. All board members agreed. Town Clerk Jamie Ackley will have them posted.

Supervisor Lisa Worden stated with the raising COVID-19 cases there will be no summer picnic for the Town of Romdan. Supervisor Lisa Worden stated maybe in the winter months the town can hold a picnic.

Planning Board Chairman John Stinson asked Superintendent Dale Tamblin about the pile of stone that is in the back parking lot. Superintendent Dale Tamblin stated the stone will be spread out evenly around the parking lot.

General and highway bills numbered 315-341 in the total amount of \$31,881.82 were audited and ordered paid in the month of August.

Rodman Town Board entered into executive session at 8:13 pm, for a personnel issue that needed to be addressed by the entire town board. The executive session ended at 8:40 pm. No action was taken.

Councilman Arthur Baderman motioned to adjourn at 8:49 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk

Next board meeting October 13, 2021 @ 7:00 pm