

Town of Rodman
Town Board Meeting
October 10, 2018 7:00 PM

County of Jefferson
State of New York

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

Supervisor Gary Stinson was absent

Privilege of the floor was offered- David Jabot, Tug Hill Tomorrow Land Trust. The Tug Hill Land Trust is working with Michael A. Northrop resident of Rodman. Mr. Northrop is the owner of Northrop Farm, approximately 125.10 acres, located in the Town of Rodman. Mr. Northrop is applying for a Dairy Transitions Farmland Protection Initiative Grant Program. This grant allows an agriculture easement placed on the Northrop Farm. Northrop Farm and Tug Hill Tomorrow Land Trust agrees this agriculture easement will be perpetually conserve viable agricultural land by preventing the conversion for non-farm usage. David Jabot, Tug Hill Tomorrow Land Trust asked the Town of Rodman Board to pass a resolution. Councilman Arthur Baderman made a motion to pass resolution #101018-1, which allows Michael A. Northrop to move forward in the submitting the application for a Dairy Transitions Farmland Protection Initiative Grant; Councilman Vance Carpenter seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Councilwoman Lisa Worden made a motion to approve the September minutes; Councilman Vance Carpenter seconded the motion. All were in favor.

DANC Report – Patricia M. Pastella, General Manager, Solid Waste Division of the Development Authority of the North Country (DANC), presented a Host Community check in the amount of \$309,696,089 to the Rodman Town Board.

DANC continues to perform their 2018 recycling compliance inspections at businesses and housing developments.

DANC stated they received approximately 44,301.17 tons of contaminated soil in the month of September.

The Skinner Road Project provided clean soil that will be stockpiled and used as topsoil at a later date.

DANC has reviewed and submitted the final draft of the Fort Drum Composting Program IGSA for approval.

DANC received a total of 1,730 scale transactions, totaling 25,417.20 ton of material which is slightly over projected for the month of September.

There was 851,400 gallons of leachate hauled to the Watertown Treatment Plant in the month of September.

DANC has recorded 1.5 inches of rain for the month of September.

CTHC Report – Kay Chapman, Representative of the Cooperative Tug Hill Council (CTHC), stated that Jamie Ackley, Town Deputy made her aware of some records in the basement that may have been damaged by water. Ms. Chapman spoke to Angie Kimball, Circuit Rider of the Cooperative Tug Hill Council, about the damaged records. Ms. Kimball will be in contact with someone from the State Archives to help the Town of Rodman salvage some of the damaged records.

There is a US Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Grant Programs Directorate (GPD) have announced a FY2018 Assistance to Firefighters grants (AFG) has opened. The purpose of this AFG Program is to enhance the safety of the public and firefighters. For more information visit <https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/170096>.

The 45th Tug Hill Commission Annual Dinner will be held Thursday November 8, 2018 at the Grape- N- Grog, 85 Taberg Street, Camden. The dinner is \$25 per person with a cash bar. RSVP to Gwen at the Commission Office at 315-785-2380 by October 26, 2018.

The Jefferson County Department of Planning and the NYS Tug Hill Commission are sponsoring a land use training session on Monday, October 29, 2018 at 6:30-8:30pm at Jefferson County College.

The NYS DEC is offering a fourth round of grant funding from the Environmental Protection Fund for collection and recycling of eligible electronic waste (e-waste). For more information <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8778.html>.

The Parks and Trails New York Partnership Program is a \$500,000 capacity-building matching grant. The program is funded through the NYS Environmental Protection Fund. The program is designed to maintain and promote New York State Parks, trails, state historic sites and public land.

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

Town Zoning Officer's Report- Jacob Bull submitted a report for the month of September.

Town Justice Report- Amy Simpson submitted a report for the month September. Judge Simpson presented the board with a check for \$5,172 for the month of September.

Judge Simpson presented the board with the Justice Court Assistance Program Grant Application. If granted by New York State Office of Court, the grant will provide a security bench and updated chairs. Councilman Arthur Baderman made a motion to pass resolution #tb-100218. This resolution allows Judge Simpson to apply for the \$30,000 grant to help offset some of the cost to update the court room. Councilman Vance Carpenter seconded the motion, all in favor.

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

Town Clerk Vacancy- After some discussion, Councilman Arthur Baderman made a motion for Jamie Ackley, Deputy Clerk to be appointed as Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Councilman Vance Carpenter seconded the motion, all in favor. Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk stated that she submitted her two week notice at her current job. The hours will continue as 1:30pm-5:30pm for the week of October 15th through the 20th. Starting the week of October 22, 2018 the hours will be as follows;

Monday 10am-3pm
Tuesday noon-5pm
Wednesday 1pm-6pm
Thursday noon-5pm
Friday 9am-2pm

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

Superintendent Tamblin stated that the town crew have been helping the Town of Adams on Fuller Road. Also, the town crew is helping with paving projects in the Town of Adams and the Town of Hounsfield.

Budget- The proposed budget is available for viewing at the Town Clerks Office. Public Hearing November 8, 2018 at 6:00pm.

Old/New

Town Clerk, Jamie Ackley stated that the Livescribe Smartpen that is used to record the board meetings memory is full. Town Clerk, Jamie Ackley asked the town board permission to purchase another smartpen to use at the board meeting. All were in agreeance to allow the purchase a new smartpen.

Town Clerk, Jamie Ackley asked the board to consider allowing her to purchase an adjustable standing workstation. Clerk Ackley submitted two different workstation and their prices. All were in agreeance to allow Clerk Jamie to purchase the workstation that best suitable for her.

After some discussion, there are concerns that Vital Statistic records have been damaged. Councilwoman Worden will be looking into pricing of installing a vault room that will be located at the Highway Department, before the next town board meeting.

General bills numbered 226-246 in the total amount of \$17,431.64 and highway bills numbered 150-164 in the total amount of \$46,789.18 were audited and ordered paid.

Councilman Arthur Baderman motioned to adjourn at 8:32pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk

Next board meeting November 14, 2018
Public Hearing November 8, 2018 at 6:00pm.