

Town of Rodman
Town Board Meeting
December 12, 2018, 7:00 PM

County of Jefferson
State of New York

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

The privilege of the floor was offered, Jaime Benner, town resident asked for the use of the supply closet for the Christmas play. The storage closet would be staged as the Grinch's houses for the play. Ms. Benner reassured the board that no supplies will be used and no children will be allowed in the closet during that evening. All agreed.

Town resident, Jaime Benner asked the board if the Town of Rodman consider bring back the winter picnic. Ms. Benner asked the board to provide hamburgers, hot dogs and rolls. Town residents will be asked to bringing a sweet treat to pass. There will be games like snowshoe races and snowman building competitions. All agreed. The winter picnic will be held at the end of February, details will follow.

Jim Rounds, Town Assessor stated that he held a meeting for the enhanced star and senior citizen program. The residence that were unable to attend the meeting were mailed the applications.

Mr. Rounds stated he will be getting file folders to make sure that all paperwork is filed correctly with the right landowner.

Councilwoman Lisa Worden made a motion to approve the November's minutes with corrections; 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), submitted reported for the month of November.

The Handicapped Hunting Program used two hunting sites this season. The hunters took 9 doe and 2 bucks during the season.

DANC performed a confined space rescue drill. This drill is similar to a fire drill. It is an unannounced drill that everyone on site reports to while a rescue team helps retrieve someone that is pretending to be sick or unconscious out of a manhole. The drill was a success.

DANC is preparing and reviewing their 2020 budget.

DANC has de-bound a total of 33000 books.

DANC received a total of 1711 scale transactions, totaling 22,808 ton of material which is 3,773 tons over projected for the month of November.

DANC stated they received approximately 4,452.61 tons of contaminated soil in the month of November.

There were 1,806,000 gallons of leachate hauled to the Watertown Treatment Plant in the month of November.

DANC has recorded 12.5 inches of snow (rain equivalent = 1.77 inches), 4.4 inches of rain for a total of 6.24 inches of rain for the month of November.

CTHC Report – Kay Chapman, Representative of the Cooperative Tug Hill Council (CTHC), was absent.

Supervisor’s Financial Report –Supervisor Gary Stinson submitted a report for the month of November.

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

Mr. Bull stated that he will be unable to attend the next four board meeting due to his work schedule.

Town Justice Report- Amy Simpson submitted a report for the month of November. Judge Simpson presented the board with a check for \$3,648 for the month of November.

Judge Simpson stated that she was notified that she will be receiving \$8,147 for the grant that she applied for in October. The breakdown is as follows;

- \$6,000- Bench
- \$1,000- (2) Tables
- \$647 (20) Chairs
- \$500- Lectern

Judge Simpson asked Supervisor Stinson to have the original design to the bench reduced to better fit our courtroom. Supervisor Stinson stated that if Judge Simpson gets him the design she is looking for he would look into it.

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

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

Superintendent Tamblin stated that the recycling center is in need of a new stacking pallet jack. The jack will help George Hess and Denis Grandjean stack pallets safer. The board agreed to the purchase of a new stacking pallet jack for \$1,500.

Sexual Harassment Policy- Supervisor Gary Stinson has submitted a Sexual Harassment Policy to the Town of Rodman Board. The Town of Rodman is committed to maintaining a workplace free from sexual harassment. All employees are required to work in a manner that prevents sexual harassment in the workplace. The policy states that it is against the law and all employees have the rights to a workplace free from sexual harassment. Employees are urged to report sexual harassment by filing a complaint with the Town of Rodman. A motion was made by Councilman Arthur Baderman to adopt the Sexual Harassment Policy, Seconded by Councilmen Stuart Tamblin. All were in favor. A full copy of the policy will be on file in the Town Clerks Office.

Streets Light LED- Supervisor Gary Stinson stated that the Town of Rodman has the opportunity to replace the existing HID National Grid-owned roadway street lights to efficient LED roadway street lights at virtually no cost. A motion was made by Councilman Arthur Baderman to approve that the Town of Rodman buys out the existing street lights at the cost of \$1,438.10 and replaced with efficient LED Street lights, seconded by Councilman Vance Carpenter. All were in favor. Supervisor Gary Stinson, Councilman Vance Carpenter and Mike Gallo, town resident will be meeting with National Grid to discuss the Conversion Program.

Review Proposed Wind Turbine Policy- Supervisor Gary Stinson stated he dropped the paperwork off at Town Attorney David Renzi's office. Supervisor Stinson has not yet received notice that paperwork is finished. Tabled until January.

Status of Solar Policy- Planning Board Chairman John Stinson stated he is hoping to have information at next January's board meeting.

SecureScan- Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk stated Michael Came from SecureSan called and were unable to help the Town of Rodman. With Rodman being a small town, the company feels we do not have enough documents to warrant the high expense the company would incur. If the town can show more documents then what was shown at the meeting then SecureScan may reconsider.

Record Storage Project at Town Highway Garage- Supervisor Gary Stinson stated he wrote a letter to Lynn D. Bertram from Bertram Building and Remodeling, Mannsville, NY having him hold off on building the record storage room at the highway department. The storage room was voted on at November's meeting with a 4 to 1 vote approving construction. Supervisor Stinson believes that the storage room does not meet the right requirements to hold the records. After some discussion, not everyone is in agreeance. The town board will be purchasing a gun safe to hold vital statistic records until storage can be built.

Old/New

Supervisor Gary Stinson stated after January the Town of Rodman should put an ad in the paper advertising an opening for a groundskeeper.

Supervisor Gary Stinson stated that the postal service agreement should be finished next week.

General bills numbered 275-308 in the total amount of \$59,566.63 and highway bills numbered 189-204 in the total amount of \$93,914.24 were audited and ordered paid.

Councilman Councilwoman Lisa Worden motioned to adjourn at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk

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