

Town of Rodman
Town Board Meeting
May 9th, 2018 7:00 PM

County Of Jefferson
State Of New York

Present was Supervisor Gary Stinson, Councilpersons Arthur Baderman, Vance Carpenter, and Stuart Tamblin

Public Wind Regulations workshop-

A public workshop was called to order at 6:35pm. The reason for this public workshop was to give Mike Bourcey, Director of Jefferson County Department of Planning, a chance to educate and answer questions pertaining to Wind Energy Regulations being put in place by towns/villages/cities in the surrounding areas of the state. He also spoke briefly on special use permits for wind energy as well. There has been a six month moratorium set in place to give the town board time to create a committee for research, and to determine what type of regulations the town will have put in place, in regard to protocol when a company or private owner wants build and pull wind energy from a property in the town of Rodman.

The Jefferson County Department of Planning will be hosting a training session at Jefferson Community College on June 14th 2018 at 6:30pm. Registration is available for anyone who would like to participate. The Jefferson County Department of Planning will be discussing airport regulations. The link is as follows: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/airport-land-use-compatibility-tickets-46613279574?ref=enivtefor001&invite=MTQ1MDQ2NjMvcm9kY2xlcmtdAZnJvbnRpZXIuY29tLzA%3D&utm_source=eb_email&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=inviteformalv2&utm_term=attend

Privilege of the floor was offered:

Craig Foltz was present to request the transfer of short term insurance funds from Cobra Insurance to a private HRA account to be used for medical expenses. The Town of Rodman, Town board has taken his request into consideration.

After discussing the request of Mr. Foltz, Supervisor Stinson has agreed to further investigate the request, but he is not certain it can be executed in the manner Mr. Foltz is requesting.

Approval of April 2018 Minutes was motioned by Councilman Vance Carpenter, Councilman Arthur Baderman seconded the motion. All in favor of the approval of the April 2018 Minutes.

DANC Report –

Division Manager, Patricia M. Pastella was not present. Stuart Tamblin was available to read the report for DANC.

Stuart Tamblin stated that DANC was under the projected amounts of tonnage by 2075 tons for the month of April, with a total of 17,549.62 tons.

There was 2,425,200 gallons of leachate hauled to the Watertown Treatment Plant.

DANC's well project will cap out at 1.4 million dollars.

DANC continues trying to neutralize odors coming from the older cells in the landfill. The well project will help with the odors being emitted from the landfill.

THC Report – Kay Chapman, Representative of The Cooperative Tug Hill Council (CTHC), submitted a report for the month of May.

The 8th annual Black River Watershed Conference has a date set for June 12th at CampTurk in Woodgate NY. The keynote speaker for this years event is Dave Eichorn. He is a retired meteorologist who will be speaking about "Changing weather in a changing climate".

Kay Chapman stated The Home Depot Foundation Community Impact Grants awards up to \$5,000.00 to 501C3 organizations. This would be for the purchase of tools, materials or services. This grant must be completed and sent in by December 31, 2018. To Apply, Go to: <https://corporate.homedepot.com/grants/community-impact-grants>

The Tug Hill Commission recently updated its GIS Resources for Local Government technical paper to provide updated info on the geographic information system. You can retain a hard copy by calling the office at 1-888-895-2380 or to download go to: <http://www.tughill.org/publications/technical-issue-papers>

There is also resources available for struggling New York farm families. NY Farmnet provides many resources including stress management, family communication, financial analysis, business planning, transition planning and estate planning. You can call 1-800-273-8255 or visit the website at www.farmnet.org

Supervisor's Financial Report –Supervisor Gary Stinson submitted a report for April 2018. Supervisor Stinson reported a balance of \$1,356,434.80 for the Town of Rodman closing out the month of April

The Ritchie Grant is underway and funds are available up to \$50,000.00.

Town Zoning Officer's Report- Zoning Officer Jacob Bull submitted a report for the month of April 2018.

Town Justice Report- Honorable Amy Simpson submitted a report for the month of April. Judge Simpson presented the board with a check for \$1,714.00 for the month of April.

Town Clerk's Report- Lauren Monroe submitted a report for the month of April 2018. Lauren Monroe presented the Town of Rodman for a check in the amount of \$98.65.

Highway Superintendent Report- Highway Superintendent Dale Tamblin submitted a report for the month of April 2018.

Highway Superintendent stated all trucks have been serviced and inspected.

All snowplows have been removed for the season.

The 2018 Ford F350 has arrived and has put into service. The 2015 Ford F250 was placed on The Auctions International website. The John Deere 425 was also placed on Auctions International's website.

The Town Barn has received their Boiler system and they will be installed in the near future.

The road maintenance is as follows for the month of April. Early in the month there was snow and ice removed. Trees on the roadsides were cleaned up as well as road signs fixed. Some roads were grated, and a ditch was installed on Old Bridge Rd.

The old salt building at the transfer Station was removed and the drive to the Transfer Station will be paved in the next month. There is still an available temporary position at the Transfer Station while George Hess is out of work for knee surgery.

Old/New

The Town Board has agreed to a feasibility Study performed by Aubertine & Currier. The study includes, but is not limited to creating secure, fire rated and humidity controlled file storage room, a small meeting room for the court system, a secure clerk's office, courtroom, judges office, supervisors office, and space for zoning officer. The cost of the Feasibility Study is \$4250.00. Councilman Arthur Baderman motioned to have the feasibility study done on the current Community Hall Building. Councilman Stuart Tamblin seconded the motion. All were in favor of the Feasibility Study for The Community Hall Building.

The USPS is up for renewing their yearly lease. The board is considering sending out a survey in regard to the use of the post office.

The electricity bill has been high at the transfer station the last couple of months due to the use of an electric space heater. The Board may be interested in alternatives for savings in energy costs.

Councilman Vance Carpenter has presented some sign ideas for the Transfer Station.

General Bills numbered 100-121 in the total amount of \$55,922.94 and Highway Bills numbered 047-075 in the total amount of \$97,033.79 were audited and ordered paid.

Supervisor Gary Stinson motioned to adjourn at 8:53 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lauren Monroe,
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Next Board Meeting Wednesday, June 13th, 2018 at 7:00PM