

Town of Rodman

County of Jefferson

Town Board Meeting

State of New York

September 15, 2015 7:00 PM

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

Privilege of the floor was offered:

Kathleen Tamblin, Rodman, submitted a letter to Supervisor Gary Stinson and all councilpersons on the board. Mrs. Tamblin stated that on November 8, 2014 the Town Board passed the 2015 budget with the tax increase of 7.82%. After receiving her Town of Rodman: Town & County 2015 taxes the increase was 9.1%. Mrs. Tamblin is requesting the opportunity to review or to obtain a copy of the public record regarding the 2015 Tax increase, per the Freedom of Information Law.

Marilyn Blodgett and Lynne Sischo submitted a second letter asking the board to consider the purchase of a lighting system for the town's walking path and surrounding area. Mrs. Blodgett and Mrs. Sischo also submitted a diagram and prices of the installation of the lights.

Rodman Recreation and Baseball Coordinator Darren Burgess, along with Amos Blood, submitted a basic design of the concession stand that they are asking the board to consider. Mr. Burgess stated that Gary Lavere would design the building at no cost. This will help benefit the players. Supervisor Gary Stinson stated that the board will discuss the concession stand being built, however he would like to wait on possible grant money that the town may receive.

Councilman Mark Scott made a motion to approve the August minutes; Councilwoman Lisa Worden seconded the motion. All were in favor.

DANC Report – Rich LeClerc, General Manager, Solid Waste Division of the Development Authority of the North Country (DANC), stated that the Ribbon cutting that took place on the 27th of August was a great success with over 200 attendees.

A bids were awarded to purchase a new Motor Grader.

Rich LeClerc stated that DANC received 20,045 tons of waste in the month of August, approximately 240 tons over projections.

DANC awarded both Waste Composition Study and the Recycling Alternative Analyses Projects to Corner Stone Environmental. On the 31st of August, Corner Stone Environmental took 11 different samples of the soil and broke them down into different categories as part of the Waste Composition Study. Recycling Alternative Analyses Projects is asking communities in Jefferson County to take a recycling survey at www.NorthCountyrecycles.org, a link is provided.

There was 573,830 gallons of leachate hauled to the Watertown Treatment Plant.

THC Report – Kay Chapman, Representative of the Cooperative Tug Hill Council (CTHC), reported that there is an Annual fall meeting on September 17, 2015. Norm Wallace will be the guest speaker. RSVP by September 11 at angela@tughill.org.

The commission is accepting resumes for the executive director position through the 9th of September. A full description of the position is available at www.tughill.org.

There will be a Local Government Training on Friday, September 18, register at suekulzer@lewiscounty.ny.gov.

Tug Hill Budget Workshop is on September 24th, at 7:00 pm in the Adams Municipal Building. Register by calling Commission at 1-88-785-2380.

Supervisor's Financial Report – no report was submitted. Supervisor Gary Stinson stated that there is no bills for the month of September due to the illness of Terry Dack, Town Book Keeper.

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

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

Town Justice Report- Amy Simpson submitted a report for the month of August. Judge Simpson presented the board with a check for \$1,632. 00.

Highway Superintendent Report- Superintendent Dale Tamblin submitted a report of the month. Superintendent Tamblin stated that as of September 15, 2015 the county has paid \$40,000 to the Town of Rodman. Superintendent Tamblin would like the board's approval to put cold mix on the Patrick Road. Councilman Baderman made the motion to approve and Councilman Scott seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Superintendent Dale Tamblin stated that George Hess from the Recycling Center is asking the town to purchase four steal doors and lock sets to replace the exciting doors. Councilman Scott agreed to order and install the doors.

Supervisor Gary Stinson stated that the Tax Cap override was passed at the Public Hearing held in September. A certified copy will be sent to David Renzi, Town Attorney.

Old/New Business

Councilwoman Lisa Worden stated she has been in touch with both Harbor Side Services, Pennsylvania and North Shore Solutions, Clayton, for information on updating the Town of Rodman's web site. Harbor Side Service will charge 1,653.75 a year and North Shore Solutions charges a total of \$790 which includes a maintenance package. Councilman Baderman made the motion to approve, North Shore Solutions to update and maintain the town website. Councilman Carpenter seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Councilwoman Lisa Worden stated she received an estimate on the street lights that would be added to the three telephone poles along the walking trail. Each street light would cost \$132.99, per light, per year. There would be no charge for installation of the lights. After the light are installed the town will be billed on their existing account.

Councilwoman Lisa Worden submitted a bill from Sue Cole of \$277.05 for the town picnic. The town picnic was a great success with over a 100 people attending. The scavenger hunt was a big hit with the children and an outdoor movie, Zoo Keeper, was shown at dusk.

Councilwoman Lisa Worden stated that the back railing to the steps and the lock on the bathroom door needs to be fixed. The bathrooms were not cleaned and there was no paper products. Kay Chapman stated she would talk to Dolly Sykes, the cleaning lady for the Rodman Community Building.

Councilwoman Lisa Worden stated that the Gordon Cole memorial sign is rotten and asks if the sign could be fixed. Supervisor Gary Stinson stated it needs to be replaced with a new product. Supervisor Gary Stinson made the motion to purchase a new sign from Atomic Signs, Watertown. Councilman Scott seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Councilwoman Lisa Worden asked about the bread that comes in every week. Councilwoman Worden is concerned with the Community Hall having a rodent problem if the bread is there more than a couple days. Supervisor Gary Stinson will talk to Howard, a member of the Rodman Community Church, about the length of time the bread will be at the Community Hall.

Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk, asked the board to approve a resolution that needs to be submitted to New York State and Local Retirement System. The resolution is that the Town of Rodman establishes and reports all work day hours for Elected and Appointed Officials. Councilwoman Lisa Worden made the motion that the resolution be passed for the Town Justice Amy Simpson and Planning Board Member Sandra Groff. Councilman Scott seconded the motion. All were in favor.

No General Bills or Highway Bills were submitted.

Rodman Town Board entered into executive session for personnel reasons at 7:50 pm. Executive session ended at 8:05pm. Supervisor Gary Stinson stated that the town will be entering into arbitration.

Councilwomen Lisa Worden motioned to adjourn 8:05 pm Councilman Mark Scott second the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Ackley, Town Clerk

Next Meeting October 14, 2015