TOWN OF ROSEBOOM

TOWN BOARD MEETING

**December 11, 2014**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Roseboom Town Board was held on December 11, 2014. Supervisor Gustafson called the regular board meeting to order at 6:35pm.

**PRESENT**: Supervisor Patti Gustafson. Councilperson’s Curtis VanDewerker, Charles Diamond, Karen Donnelly and Allegra Schecter.

**ABSENT:** Highway Superintendent Michael Mabie

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Assessor Doug Gohde, Financial Assistant Christine LaLonde, County Rep. Beth Rosenthal.

**VISITORS LISTING:** Attachment #1

**AGENDA:** Attachment #2

**MINUTES**: A motion was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Diamond to approve the minutes from the November 2014 meeting. All were in favor, except Karen who abstained, motion carried.

**SUPERVISORS/FISCAL OFFICER’S REPORT:** Attachment #3

* Supervisor Gustafson discussed the Supervisor’s/Fiscal Officer Report.
* Bullet points from report are included in the agenda, see attached.
* Welcome to our new Councilperson Charles Diamond.
* Committee meetings will be January 8th 2014 at 9 am the town barn.
* A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Schecter to amend the 2014 organizational chart to reflect the resignation of Tim Hotaling and the appointment of Charles Diamond as well as new committee chairs. All in favor, motion passed.

**ABSTRACTS**: Attachments #4 and #5

* Abstract for General Fund number 12: $3,682.59
* Abstract for Highway Fund number 12: $239,223.74. A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Schecter to accept the General Fund Abstract #12 in the amount of $3,682.59 and Highway Fund Abstract #12 in the amount of $239,223.74 All were in favor. Motion carried.

**ROAD COMMITTEE REPORT: Councilperson VanDewerker**

* Most was discussed already, deferred to Highway Superintendents Report.

**MACHINERY COMMITTEE REPORT: Councilperson Diamond**

* Councilperson Diamond discussed new options regarding purchasing new or used equipment. This committee will be investigating new options such as National Grid Auctions. Also looking into local dealerships as possible options.

**GARAGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Councilperson Schecter**

* Councilperson Schecter- Provided an update regarding construction estimates.
* A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Diamond to approve the Construction Agreement from Mark Mabie for the Justice Court work; funded by Justice Court Assistance Program $5600.00 grant and Building Contractual $288.00. All in favor, motion passed.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT COMMITTEE REPORT: Councilperson Schecter**

* Councilperson Schecter- No updates.

**LAND ACQUISITION COMMITTEE REPORT: Councilperson VanDewerker**

* Councilperson VanDewerker- Lease agreement has been reviewed by the town attorney. In January we should be able to approve the lease and pay the lease amount to the land owner.

**SPECIAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT: Councilperson Donnelly**

* Councilperson Donnelly indicated that the county is now on board for broadband, nothing else to report.

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT: Superintendent Mabie- Absent**

* See bullet points on the agenda for details.

**TOWN CLERK’S REPORT:** Attachment #6

* Summary of monies received for November 2014

Dog Licenses: For the Town- $80.00 For NYS- $23.00 Total: $103.00

Building Permit: For the Town- 382.76

* Supervisor Gustafson received a check from the Town Clerk for $462.76 on 12/11/14
* A check was mailed to NYS Ag & Markets from the Town Clerk for $23.00 on 12/11/14

**TOWN FINANCIAL ASSISTANT REPORT: Christine Lalonde**

* Christine indicated that we now have all documentation for the Senator Seward grant, this will be notarized and sent in. Paperwork for grant discussed in detail.

**COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**: **Beth Rosenthal**

* Beth discussed workers comp. and from her understanding this applies to EMS and fire departments. It was found that this should fall to the municipalities and the county will move forward with this in order to be in compliance. Towns should plan on this as an expense for 2016.
* The 2015 Budget was passed. The Manor did sell and the savings from this will be used to repair roofs on the Meadows building and Highway Department. $50,000 was included in the 2015 budget for a county wide comprehensive plan.
* The Elm Park Senior Center in Oneonta will remain open.
* DMV and County Clerk Office will stay open and will operate as it has been for now.
* Bed Tax 4% and goes directly to the county for tourism and other projects. Last year 1.4 million was taken in. There is money left over from this. Discussion took place about some of this being redistributed back to the towns and villages who are hit hard by tourism, infrastructure will be the main area impacted. Not enough were in favor so this will not happen at this point.
* County is looking to move forward with some solar projects and will work with Solar City.
* IDA contracted with a company to do a broadband study. This project will cost about 30 million dollars. The county is looking into grant money and is planning for a 3 phase program over a 5 year period.

**ASSESSORS REPORT: Doug Ghode**

* Exemptions will come in the mail this month, fill out and send in. Any new exemptions need to be applied for by March 1st.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT: Lloyd Stannard- Absent**

* Absent

**PLANNING BOARD:** **No member present**

* The planning board will not meet for winter months and will re-convene in the Spring 2015.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

* A **MOTION** was made to pass **RESOLUTION 2014-24** approving the Susquehanna Animal Shelter Contract for 2015 by Councilperson Schecter and seconded by Councilperson VanDewerker. All were in favor, motion carried.
* A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker to pass **RESOLUTION 2014-25** to approve NBT $250,000. RAN (90 days @ 2%) to meet December 2014 NRCS Projects/financial obligations; pending account receivables from NYS Snow and Ice, NYS CHIPS, and NRCS ($307,038). Councilperson Donnelly seconded, all in favor, motion passed.
* Supervisor Gustafson received a letter from Town Justice Travis who submitted her resignation effective December 31, 2014. There will be a replacement Justice appointed by the Court.
* **ACTION: Supervisor Gustafson** follow up with town attorney regarding proposed local law “no parking on side of roadways”.
* **ACTION: Town Clerk Seeley** will update the website and bulletin board.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

* Greta Peterson complimented the board on all of the hard work that has been done.

**NEXT TOWN BOARD MEETING:** will be held on Thursday, January 8, 2015 at 6:30pm at the South Valley First Christian Church Fellowship hall located at State Hwy 165, Cherry Valley, NY 13320.

### MEETING ADJOURNMENT:

* A **motion** to adjourn the December 11th, 2014 meeting was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Schecter. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Town Clerk