TOWN OF ROSEBOOM

TOWN BOARD MEETING

**August 13th, 2015**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Roseboom Town Board was held on August 13, 2015. Supervisor Gustafson called the regular board meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

**PRESENT**: Supervisor Patti Gustafson. Councilperson’s Curtis VanDewerker, Daniel Gage, Allegra Schecter, and Charles Diamond. Superintendent Michael Mabie.

**ABSENT/EXCUSED**: None

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Assessor Doug Ghode

**VISITORS LISTING:** Attachment #1

**AGENDA:** Attachment #2

**MINUTES**: A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Gage to approve the minutes from the July 2015 meeting. All were in favor, motion carried.

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

* Supervisor Gustafson discussed the Supervisor’s/Fiscal Officer Report.
* Notes from the Committee Meetings were made available to the public and discussed in detail.
* Supervisor Gustafson will offer an in-service for Councilpersons and other town officials soon as it is almost time to draft a preliminary draft.

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

* Abstract for General Fund number 08: $2,392.01
* Abstract for Highway Fund number 08: $12,059.61
* A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Gage to accept the General Fund Abstract #8 for $2,392.01 and Highway Fund Abstract #8 for $12,059.61. All were in favor. Motion carried.

**ROAD COMMITTEE REPORT: Councilperson VanDewerker**

* Councilperson VanDewerker- The highway department has been busy working on CHIPS road work projects. More information in the Highway Superintendent report.

**MACHINERY COMMITTEE REPORT: Councilperson Diamond**

* Councilperson Diamond- The town has been exploring options to purchase a “new to the town” truck. There is one for sale right now that the Highway Superintendent is interested in purchasing. Superintendent Mabie presented information on that truck at the meeting. This truck is large enough that it could be used to haul materials instead of hiring this out. He asked that a town board member go with him to take a look at it. Councilperson VanDewerker offered to do this.
* A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker to authorize the purchase of an International Truck in an amount up to $13,000 after further review and inspection by the Highway Superintendent and at least one Town Board Councilperson, this was seconded by Councilperson Schecter. All were in favor except Councilperson Diamond, motion carried.
* Highway Superintendent Mabie discussed a new sander he is currently looking at, purchase of this will be dependent on the purchase of the above mentioned truck.

**GARAGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Councilperson Schecter**

* The highway superintendent is working to get the septic system pumped. Once this is done, other small bathroom repairs will be made.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT COMMITTEE REPORT: Councilperson Schecter**

* Councilperson Schecter- Someone came to the committee meeting from Revolution Solar to discuss solar options. Councilperson Schecter was able to talk to another company as well and it seems as though the town would fall through the cracks because we are such a small municipality. In April, there should be some bills coming through that would allow small towns to group together in an effort to obtain solar options for municipalities. Street lights will not be able to be included, according to the second company who provided information.

**LAND ACQUISITION COMMITTEE REPORT: Councilperson VanDewerker**

* Councilperson VanDewerker- Highway Superintendent Mabie has discussed location with Mr. Breen for relocating the sand pile. The highway department will work on this when time allows.

**SPECIAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT:**

* Nothing to report at this time.

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

* Several items were discussed from the committee meeting report.
* So far, we are under budget for CHIPS road work so other roads may be able to sealed this year.
* Honey Hill has been re-paved, shoulders will be finished soon.
* Work on Edward’s Road will be continued.

**TOWN CLERK’S REPORT:**

* Summary of monies received for July 2015
* Dog Licenses 1 dog 4.00 for town 1.00 for state Total: 5.00
* Marriage License 10.00 for town 22.50 for state Total: 32.50
* Town Seals- 6 total 60.00 for the town Total: 60.00
* $97.50 was deposited into NBT Bank.
* Town Supervisor Gustafson received a check for $74.00 and NYS Ag. & Markets was mailed a check for $1.00, NYS Department of Health was mailed a check for $22.50.

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

* Beth was not present.

**ASSESSORS REPORT: Doug Ghode**

* Doug asked a question regarding the local law for parking on sides of roads. Discussion took place, question was answered.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT: Lloyd Stannard- not present**

* None

**PLANNING BOARD: Larry Lamb & Allegra Schecter (Board Representative)**

* The Planning Board has finalized their Long-Term Resident Survey. They have asked that the town approve this so that the planning board can move forward and mail this out. The town board made some suggestions for change. A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson Schecter and seconded by Councilperson VanDewerker to approve up to $500.00 for mailing out the survey. All were in favor, motion passed.
* Larry asked for clarification from the board regarding what they would like done. The board asked the planning board to move forward on land use. The board would like to thank the Planning Board for all of their work.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

* A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Gage to recognize and support the 2015 Roseboom Antique Power Days Events. All were in favor, motion passed.
* A proposed local law regarding Parking on Roads & Sidewalks within the town has been drafted. Board members and Planning Board to review draft. The tentative public hearing for this local law will be in October 2015.
* **ACTION:** Councilperson VanDewerker will follow up with the Dog Control Officer to be sure visits are being made to residents who have failed to license their dogs after receiving notices in the mail from the town clerk.
* **UPDATE:** Councilperson VanDewerker followed up with National Grid regarding hanging flags on electrical poles, this is completely legal and welcomed.
* The town is following up regarding getting an AED to be housed at the town barn. Councilperson Diamond is following up on this, he has left messages for Dr. Delong but has not heard back. **ACTION:** talk to Cherry Valley EMS Squad Caption to see what the next step is.
* The Primary Election is September 10th, and the General Election is November 3rd. Town residents can contact the Otsego County Board of Elections for a list of (4) Vacancies to be filled.
* **ACTION:** Councilperson VanDewerker will ask Codes Officer to copy all building permits and put them in the Assessors mail box at the town barn so that he is aware of work that is being done for assessment purposes. **UPDATE**: A message has been left, will follow up.
* **ACTION:** Town Clerk Seeleywill update the website and bulletin board.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

* Bill Peterson brought up a concern regarding visibility by the town barn. It was suggested that the town check with the county regarding a caution sign being put up.
* Greta Peterson thanked the Town Board and Planning Board for their hard work and indicated that she is proud to be a part of this town and is happy to attend all of the meetings, she indicated that it is nice to see a group of people working so well together and getting along so well.
* Brian Nicol asked several questions regarding the road that he lives on (Wes Brown) and its status as a Seasonal Road. The Highway Superintendent indicated that it is a seasonal road and has been a seasonal road for a long time and is posted as such. Brian indicated that his attorney has sent a letter to the town attorney.

**NEXT TOWN BOARD MEETING:** will be held on Thursday, September 10, 2015 at 6:30pm at the South Valley First Christian Church Fellowship hall located at State Hwy 165, Cherry Valley, NY 13320.

**NEXT TOWN BOARD COMMITTEEE MEETING**: will be held Friday, September 4th, 2015 at 9:00 am at the Town Municipal Building/Town Barn located at County Highway 50, Cherry Valley, NY 13320. Meeting is open to the public and all are welcome!

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT**:

* A **MOTION** to adjourn the August 13th meeting was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Diamond. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Town Clerk