TOWN OF ROSEBOOM

TOWN BOARD MEETING

**September 12th, 2024**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Roseboom Town Board was held on September 12th, 2024. Supervisor Gustafson called the regular board meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

**PRESENT**: Supervisor Gustafson, Deputy VanDewerker. Councilperson’s: Allegra Schecter, Steve Gridley, Jack Barrett and Highway Superintendent Dan Gage.

**ABSENT/EXCUSED**: Excused: Erin Seeley, Town Clerk

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Dave Bliss, County Representative

**VISITORS LISTING:**  Bob Schecter

**AGENDA:** See Attachment #2

* **PRESENTATION:** None

**MINUTES:** A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Schecter to approve the minutes from the August meeting held on August 22, 2024. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.

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

* **Committee Meeting Minutes/Financial Reports:** Supervisor Gustafson provided copies of the report to all board members.
* A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson Barrett and seconded by Councilperson Gridley to approve the supervisors committee and financial report. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.

**OTHER BUSINESS/MOTIONS:**

* **Resolution #6 JCAP Application**: A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson Barrett and seconded by Councilperson Schecter to approve Resolution #6 regarding the 2024-2025 JCAP Application for $30,000 funding from the Justice Court Assistance Program for the 2024-2025 grant cycle. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
* **Transfer of funds from Road Repair Reserve Account**: A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Gridley to authorize the Town Supervisor to transfer funds from the Highway Road Repair Savings Reserve Account to the Highway Checking Account to cover operating costs. When the CHIPS reimbursement check is received the account will be repaid. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
* **Town Board Meeting – November 7th:** A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Gridley to hold the Town Board Meeting on November 7th (not 14th) regarding the 2025 Town Budget. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
* **Public Hearing-November 7th @ 6:15 pm:** A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Gridley to hold a Town Public Hearing on Nov. 7th 2024 at 6:15 pm regarding Local Law concerning 2024 Tax Cap Override & proposed 2025 Town Budget. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.

**ABSTRACTS**:

* General Fund Abstract – September 2024: $ 2,206.95
* Highway Fund Abstract – September 2024: $ 29,234.60
* A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Gridley to approve the ***General Abstract(s) and Highway Abstract(s)*** as referenced above. All were in favor. **Motion** carried.

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT: Dan Gage**

* **BUILDING REPAIRS**ope to rollover
* Nothing new to report
* **ROAD REPAIRS**
* Discussion heard regarding rad repairs
* **EQUIPMENT**
* Discussion heard regarding equipment repairs needs, and future funding options
* **OTHER**
* none

**TOWN CLERK’S REPORT: by Town Clerk Seeley**

* None reported

**ASSESSORS REPORT: Matt Lippitt**

* No update

**DOG CONTROL REPORT: Bob Jorgenson**

* No update

**JUSTICE REPORT: Steven Mosenson**

* Court Fees: July- none reported July - $100 TDP
* The JCAP grant has been released, the town will begin to discuss options to submit an application.

**COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**: **David Bliss**

* Present. Discussion heard regarding County Budget, High operating costs for all municipalities, no update on Cell Tower (L Prill property), use of ARPA funds for future Town Building addition/rehab, new addition using JCAP funds.

**ARPA (Federal Stimulus Funds): Allegra Schecter**

* No update

**CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITY TASKFORCE: Allegra Schecter**

* **JOULE –** no updates
* **CCA-** sign up is still open for Residents to join and save on their electric bill.
* **NYSERDA Clean Energy Communities**- The Town of Roseboom is currently the regional leader in points, with 5,000. Town was at 4,200 points; earing an additional 800 points from Bronze level recertification approval; total 5,000 points. The 5,000 points gets the Town $100,000.
* **NYSERDA Application for $100,000 Grant**: Councilperson Schecter offered to complete and submit the NYSERDA Grant Application for $100,00. Funds will be utilized (i.e. Heat Pump for Town Garage/Office Building & additional Solar Panels for the Salt Shed). Thank you, Allegra!
* **Press Release $60,000 NYSERDA Grants**: Councilperson Schecter presented &the Town Board approved to submit the press release to the Daily Star (as a story item at no charge). The Press Lease indicates the “**Town of Roseboom has earned $60,000 in Clean Energy Grants.**

**Town of Roseboom Solar Campaign – Electric Savings 10% -** the Town of Roseboom sent out a campaign letter indicating the Solar Community Campaign is easy to join, with no solar panels installed on your property. There is no cost to join and you can cancel without any fees or penalties. Solar credits are applied directly to your National Grid account each month, resulting in savings of up to 10% on your electric costs. By participating, the residents also help the Ton earn grant funding through state energy programs that we will use for clean energy projects in the Town. Note: If 10 people sign up, the Town gets $5000 for future projects. Thank you, Allegra & Board Members!

**PLANNING BOARD: Allegra Schecter, Planning Board liaison**

* Meetings will be held on the first Monday of each month at 6:30 pm. If any dates are a holiday, then the meeting will be held on the following Monday.
* Councilperson VanDewerker met & discussed with Kim Gray future projects/interests of the Town Board & Planning Board. Also, Councilperson Schecter will send Planning Board questions (email from Sue Schaffer). Curtis will review and prepare in order to forward & discuss with the County Zoning Officer. Thank you, Curtis!

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**NEXT TOWN BOARD MEETING:** will be held on Thursday, October 10th, 2024, at 6:30 pm at the Town Barn, located at 126 Co. Hwy 50.

**NEXT TOWN BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING**: will be held (if needed) Friday, October 4th, 2024, at 7:30 am at the Town Barn/Office, located at 126 Co. Hwy 50. Meetings are open to the public and all are welcome!

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT**:

* A **MOTION** to adjourn the September 12,, 2024, motion was made by Councilperson Gridley seconded by Councilperson VanDewerker. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patti Gustafson

Town Supervisor

for

Erin Seeley

Town Clerk/Collector

Note: 2025 Budget meetings will be scheduled after Supervisor Gustafson meets with the bookkeeper/accountant.

**2025 Tentative Budget**: Town Supervisor will send via email to Town Clerk & Board Members. Hard Copy will be dropped off at the Town Office.

**2025 Tentative Budget Meeting -Oct. 2, 2024 @ 6:00 pm:** Town Board will meet to review the Tentative Budget and prepare the Preliminary Budget.

**2025 Preliminary Budget** – the Town Supervisor will send via email the 2025 Preliminary Town Budget; for public review & comment. Preliminary Budget will be email to Town Board Members; with Hard Copy dropped off at the Town Office.

**2025 Public Hearing – Nov 7th @ 6:15 pm** – public hearing on Tax cap override & the 2025 Town Budget.

**2025 Tax Cp Override Approval – Nov 7th, 2024** – the Town Board will approve Local Law refarding Tax Cap Override at the Town Board Meeting.

**2025 Final Adopted Budget – Nov. 10th, 2024** – the Town Board will adopt the Final Budget at the Town Board Meeting

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