TOWN OF ROSEBOOM

TOWN BOARD MEETING

**October 8, 2020**

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Roseboom Town Board was held on October 8, 2020. Supervisor Gustafson called the regular board meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

**PRESENT**: Supervisor Gustafson. Councilpersons: Curtis VanDewerker, Steve Gridley, Allegra Schecter. Highway Superintendent Daniel Gage.

**ABSENT/EXCUSED**: Councilperson Charles Diamond- Excused.

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** None

**VISITORS LISTING:** Attachment 1

**AGENDA:** See Attachment #2

**PRESENTATION:** Joule Community Power presented regarding a community choice program that the town has an option to join. Joule serves as the energy broker and sources the electric supply. This offers several benefits to the town including a savings to residents on their monthly national grid bill (5-10%), a revenue opportunity for the town through the energy market, and the opportunity to go green. Residents will have the option to opt out and if they have already chosen a different supplier that will not change. The town gets $50 for each enrollment that can be used for a local sustainability project. Participation also helps the town obtain NYSERDA clean energy grants. If the town is interested in moving forward a local law is needed. Joule will send additional information to the town for further review.

**MINUTES:**  A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Schecter to approve the minutes from the September 2020 regular meeting. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.

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

* Supervisor Gustafson reviewed the committee notes and gave the supervisors report. A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Gridley to approve the committee notes/supervisor report. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
* A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Gridley to approve the Otsego County Snow and Ice Contract (3 year) Fall 2020-Spring 2023. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
* A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson Gridley and seconded by Councilperson Schecter to approve moving the regular Town Board meeting from November 12th to November 5th at 6:30pm. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
* A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Gridley to approve the Town Clerk posting the Seasonal Road and Winter Procedures notices; as reviewed and updated. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
* A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson Schecter and seconded by Councilperson VanDewerker to approve the Tentative Budget, which was reviewed on 10/05. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
* A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson Schecter and seconded by Councilperson Gridley to approve the Preliminary Budget; on file with Town Clerk for public inspection and posted to the town website. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
* A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Schecter to approve holding a public hearing on November 5th prior to the board meeting regarding the Tax Cap Override for the 2021 budget. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
* A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson Gridley and seconded by Councilperson Schecter to approve holding a public hearing on November 5th prior to the board meeting regarding the adoption of the 2021 budget. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.
* A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Gridley to approve a Budget Transfer; Approving Town Supervisor to transfer funds from the Highway Reserve Account(s) as needed, to meet cash flow needs for year-end expenses. Highway Reserve Account(s) will be reimbursed upon receipt of the CHIPS reimbursement. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.

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

* Abstract for General Fund number 10:$2,711.23
* Abstract for Highway Fund number 10: $43,569.91

A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson Gridley and seconded by Councilperson VanDewerker to accept the General Abstract #10 for $2,711.23 and Highway Fund Abstract #10 for $43,569.91. All were in favor. **MOTION** carried.

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:**

* The scrap project at the old town barn is complete, windows were found that fit the opening for the broken window, the window has been installed. This building will now be able to be utilized for storage.
* Buttermilk Hill Rd complete
* Barry Lane/Bill Marne Rd- cross tube replaced and ditches done
* Wes Brown Rd completely re-topped
* Kirshman Hill Road grated
* Thompson Hill re-topped
* Morton Rd repairs to topping in spots and ditches done
* Only a few roads left to repair before winter
* Repairs made to trucks to prepare for winter, parts ordered for repairs that are still needed
* Preparing plows and blades for winter
* Sand will begin to be hauled in

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

* Dogs- 1 spayed/neutered dog totaling $4.00 for the Town and $1 for NYS. Total collected for dogs was $5.
* Building Permits- 1 totaling $50. for the Town.
* Marriage License: 1 totaling $10 for the town, $22.50 for the state. Total $32.50
* Death Certificate Seals: 4 totaling $40 for the town.
* Total monies collected for the month of September 2020 were $127.50. Deposit was made at NBT in Cherry Valley on 10/8/2020. Town Clerk Seeley paid Supervisor Gustafson $104.00 (check #3120) on 10/8/2020 and sent a check to NYS Ag and Mkts for $1.00 (check #3118) on 10/8/2020 a check was sent to NYS Dept. of Health for $22.50 (check #3119).
* Office hours are currently by appointment only. Residents can call or email to conduct business or to schedule an appointment.

**ASSESSORS REPORT: Matt Lippitt**

* Not Present

**JUSTICE REPORT:**

* Not Present- Funds for Sept. were received.

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

* Not Present

**CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT: Lloyd Stannard**

* Not Present

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

* Meetings are held on the 1st Thursday of each month at 7 pm. Meetings are held at the town barn and are open to the public.
* Meetings are currently not being held due to COVID 19.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

* None

**NEXT TOWN BOARD MEETING:** will be held on Thursday, November 5, 2020 at 6:30 pm.

**NEXT TOWN BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING**: will be held Friday, October 30, 2020 at 7:30 am at the Town Barn, located at 126 Co. Hwy 50. Meeting is open to the public and all are welcome!

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT**:

* A **MOTION** to adjourn the October 8th, 2020 meeting was made by Councilperson VanDewerker and seconded by Councilperson Schecter. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin Seeley

Town Clerk/Collector