

The Regular Meeting of the Town of Rockland was held on November 1, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, Livingston Manor, New York with the following members

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR EDWARD WEITMANN  
COUNCILPERSON GLEN CARLSON  
COUNCILPERSON WILLIAM ROSER JR.  
COUNCILPERSON EILEEN MERSHON

ABSENT: COUNCILPERSON ROBERT EGGLETON

Others Present: Judy Newman, Town Clerk, Theodore Hartling, Highway Superintendent, Robert Wolcott, Water and Sewer Superintendent and several members of the public.

Supervisor Weitmann called the meeting to order with the pledge to the flag

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On a motion by Mr. Carlson, seconded by Mrs. Mershon, the minutes of October 18, 2012 were approved as presented by the Town Clerk.

On a motion by Mrs. Mershon, seconded by Mr. Roser, the work session minutes of October 18, 2012 were approved as presented by the Town Clerk.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce - Invitation to Annual Meeting on 11/15/12
- NYS Unified Court System - Request for Judicial Audit
- NYS Department of Ag & Markets - Inspection Report
- NYS Comptroller - newsletter
- NYS Department of Health - Boil Water Order Lifted

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Jennifer Grossman** appeared before the Board with a copy of the Reconnaissance-Level Historic Resource Survey of the Lower Beaverkill Valley Rockland, Sullivan County, New York. The document was prepared for the Beaverkill area neighborhood Association and the Roscoe-Rockland Chamber of Commerce by Larson Fisher Associates, Historic Preservation & Planning Services. Copies of the document will be available at both Roscoe and Livingston Manor Libraries and at the Town Hall. The association will attend the next Planning Board meeting to address their document with them.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Patrick Murtagh** appeared before the Board. Supervisor Weitmann advised Mr. Murtagh that our attorney does not want the Board to address his issue due to the legality of the matter.

**Hurricane Sandy - October 29, 2012** Supervisor Weitmann reported that the Town of Rockland avoided a lot of damage from the recent storm. Some locations in the town are still without electric. Councilperson Roser recommends that a letter be sent by the Town thanking all the emergency agencies and the EMT'S for their assistance with the storm.

### **Re-appointment of Board of Assessment Review - Elizabeth Grossman**

On a motion of Mr. Carlson, seconded by Mrs. Mershon, the following resolution was ADOPTED - VOTE - AYES 4, NAYS 0 - RESOLVED - to reappoint Elizabeth Grossman to the Board of Assessment Review for a term to expire September 30, 2017.

### **RESOLUTION - REASSESSMENT OF Refuse Collection Law SBL#42.-1-3**

On a motion of Mr. Roser, seconded by Mrs. Mershon, the following resolution was ADOPTED - VOTE 4, NAYS 0 - RESOLVED - to proceed with reassessment of the Refuse Collection Law on parcel # 42.-1-3 in the amount of \$5,250; FURTHER RESOLVE - the Town Clerk will provide the County Legislatures with the documentation.

### **7:15 PUBLIC HEARING PRELIMINARY BUDGET 2013**

Supervisor Weitmann called the public hearing to order and requests comments from the public. Sheila Shultz, a resident of the Town of Rockland asked what the final expenditures were.

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With no more comments. A motion was made by Mr. Carlson, seconded by Mr. Roser, unanimously carried, to close the hearing.

**RESOLUTION - APPROVAL OF 2013 BUDGET**

On a motion of Mr. Roser, seconded by Mrs. Mershon, the following resolution was ADOPTED - VOTE - AYES 4, NAYS 0 - WHEREAS, the Town Board has met at the time and place specified in the notice of the hearing on the preliminary budget, and an opportunity was given to those present to be heard thereon,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED - that this Town Board does hereby adopt the preliminary budget as the annual budget of this Town for the fiscal year 2013, beginning January 1, 2013, and that such budget as adopted be entered in the minutes of the proceedings of this Town Board, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED - that the Town Clerk, shall certify in triplicate copies of said budget as adopted and deliver to the Legislators of Sullivan County.

**RESOLUTION - REASSESSMENT OF ROSCOE SEWER**

On a motion of Mrs. Mershon, seconded by Mr. Roser, the following resolution was ADOPTED - VOTE - AYES 4, NAYS 0 - WHEREAS, the Clerk of Sewer Rents for the Roscoe Sewer District has presented the list of unpaid sewer rents in the amount of \$19,269.51 for collection upon the 2013 Town of Rockland Tax Roll.

Be it further RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk of the Town of Rockland be and she is hereby authorized to submit for action by the Sullivan County Legislators said unpaid sewer rents and penalties to be levied upon the 2013 Town of Rockland Tax Roll.

Be it further RESOLVED, that the attached list of unpaid charges in the foregoing amounts be and constitute a part of this resolution. Adopted by unanimous vote.

**RESOLUTION - REASSESSMENT OF ROSCOE-ROCKLAND WATER**

On a motion of Mrs. Mershon seconded by Mr. Carlson, the following resolution was ADOPTED - VOTE - AYES 4, NAYS 0 - WHEREAS, the Clerk of Water Rents for the Roscoe-Rockland Water District has presented the list of unpaid water rents in the amount of \$22,086.60 for collection upon the 2013 Town of Rockland Tax Roll.

Be it further RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk of the Town of Rockland be and she is hereby authorized to submit for action by the Sullivan County Legislators said unpaid water rents and penalties to be levied upon the 2013 Town of Rockland Tax Roll.

Be it further RESOLVED, that the attached list of unpaid charges in the foregoing amounts be and constitute a part of this resolution. Adopted by unanimous vote.

**RESOLUTION - REASSESSMENT OF LIVINGSTON MANOR WATER**

On a motion of Mr. Carlson, seconded by Mrs. Mershon, the following resolution was ADOPTED - VOTE - AYES 4, NAYS 0 - WHEREAS, the Clerk of Water Rents for the Livingston Manor Water District has presented the list of unpaid water rents in the amount of \$32,602.90 for collection upon the 2013 Town of Rockland Tax Roll.

Be it further RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk of the Town of Rockland be and she is hereby authorized to submit for action by the Sullivan County Legislators said unpaid water rents and penalties to be levied upon the 2013 Town of Rockland Tax Roll.

Be it further RESOLVED, that the attached list of unpaid charges in the foregoing amounts be and constitute a part of this resolution. Adopted by unanimous vote.

**RESOLUTION - REASSESSMENT OF LIVINGSTON MANOR SEWER**

On a motion of Mr. Carlson, seconded by Mrs. Mershon, the following resolution was ADOPTED - VOTE - AYES 4, NAYS 0 - WHEREAS, the Clerk of Sewer Rents for the Livingston Manor Sewer District has presented the list of unpaid sewer rents in the amount of \$36,911.10 for collection upon the 2013 Town of Rockland Tax Roll.

Be it further RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk of the Town of Rockland be and she is hereby authorized to submit for action by the Sullivan County Legislators said unpaid sewer rents and penalties to be levied upon the 2013 Town of Rockland Tax Roll.

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Be it further RESOLVED, that the attached list of unpaid charges in the foregoing amounts be and constitute a part of this resolution. Adopted by unanimous vote.

**Water/Sewer Log & Weekend Duty Schedule** was presented.

**Town Clerk's monthly report** was presented.

**Dog Control report** was presented.

**DEPARTMENT HEADS**

**Highway Superintendent** Ted Hartling reported that beams for the Hoos Bridge are to be set tomorrow. He also reported that they have begun to put the sanders on the trucks in preparation for the winter weather.

**Water and Sewer Superintendent** Bob Wolcott reported that the Department of Health has asked them to raise the chlorine in the Livingston Manor Water District and they lifted the boil water requirements. He also advised that they are having trouble with PH in Roscoe, which will require an engineers report to the Department of Health.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

On a motion of Mr. Carlson, seconded by Mrs. Mershon, the following resolution was ADOPTED - VOTE - AYES 4, NAYS 0 - RESOLVED - to approve the bills on the abstract #21 dated November 1, 2012, in the following amounts:

General Fund	340 to 351	\$ 8,190.59
Highway	313 to 329	29,421.88
Liv. Manor Sewer	186 to 192	4,277.57
Roscoe Rockland Water	144 to 148	963.47
Liv Manor Water	170 to 176	1,917.16
Roscoe Sewer	154 to 159	1,630.18
Roscoe Rockland Light	40 to 41	349.99

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

none

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion of Mr. Roser, seconded by Mr. Carlson and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Judy Newman, RMC, Town Clerk

