

The Regular Meeting of the Town of Rockland was held on May 3, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Hall, 95 Main Street, Livingston Manor, New York with the following members:

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR ROBERT EGGLETON  
COUNCILPERSON EDWIN EDWARDS  
COUNCILPERSON JOANN RYDER  
COUNCILPERSON JR DEVANTIER

ABSENT: COUNCILPERSON GLEN CARLSON

OTHERS PRESENT: Caroline Devoe, Town Clerk, Theodore Hartling, Highway Superintendent Glenn Gabbard, Code Enforcement Officer and several members of the public.

Supervisor Eggleton called the meeting to order with the pledge to the flag.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On a motion of Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Devantier, all in favor to approve the minutes of April 19, 2018 as distributed.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- EFC Training workshop will be available in four locations
- Letter received from Mary Muhlig suggesting a community yard waste compost area
- Board Of Election polling sites will not change as previously suggested
- County Shred Day to be held 5/5 at Monticello, first 150 residents accepted
- SUNY Orange to hold DEC conference, must register by 5/25, to be held on 6/1
- Supervisor report on conference attended at Blue Lake, numerous guides are available to view including an update guide on Solar by NYSERDA

### **7:12 Mowing Bid Opening**

Received 2018 mowing bids from G&N Lawncare at \$13,460

Peter Passaro Jr. at \$9,675

Landscape By Design at \$20,400

Bid was awarded to Peter Passaro contingent on proof of insurance.

The Board will be looking closer at the vacant lots which are very wet & have scrap metal debris and may eliminate those from the bid requirements.

### **7:15 PUBLIC HEARING**

Public Comment from Marcia & Geerd Mattheus, Burnt Hill Rd., stating "I applaud you for protecting the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the town" Mr. Mattheus then gave a description of how private corporations (at the request of landowners) come in and erect platforms and tents on empty land, then split rental fees with the landowner without permits or consideration of health and safety. Mrs. Mattheus offered congratulations to the Board for having foresight to take a stand on camping descriptions and requirements with the differences between commercial campgrounds and small scale campouts. Sheila Shultz stated that the proposed group Asland has verbally withdrawn their interest in this regard. The Board recommended they be contacted to receive this notice in writing.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW #3**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Town Board of the Town of Rockland, in the County of Sullivan, State of New York, on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018, duly enacted Local Law #3 of the year 2018, and entered it in its minutes.

The aforesaid local law imposes a moratorium providing that no site plan or special use permit shall be reviewed or approved by the Planning Board and no building permit shall be issued by the Code Enforcement Officer with respect to any of the land uses in the Town of Rockland constituting "Camping" as defined in 185-7 of the Town of Rockland Zoning Law. Nothing contained herein shall be construed, however, to prohibit or preclude private non-commercial, short term campouts not exceeding seven (7) consecutive days and attended by family and friends on their own property.

The moratorium will have an initial term of six (6) months from the date of its adoption and may be extended for up to one (1) additional period not exceeding three (3) months by resolution of the Town Board upon a finding of necessity for such extension. The local law also provides a procedure for relief from the moratorium on the grounds of unusual hardship or circumstances that would deprive a property owner of the reasonable use of lands.

Dated: May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018

Motion to close hearing was made by Mr. Devantier, seconded by Ms. Ryder, all in favor at 7:23

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jim Reynolds questioned reason for being taxed for sewer district charges to Scudder Rd when the lines are non-existent and will always remain that way because of the stream and flooding. After brief discussion, Supv. Eggleton stated this will be looked into with the Sewer department.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION** was made to accept Limited Camping Moratorium for 6 months. On a motion by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Devantier, with all in favor, the resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

- Renaissance Tour of Public Spaces to be held also looking for someone to care for the sites, planters and baskets
- Asbestos report on Meadow Street property came back with NO contamination
- **RESOLUTION** to hire a surveyor to locate exact boundary lines on vacant properties Mr. Edwards made a motion with Mr. Devantier seconded, all were in favor.
- Charter Franchise check was received in the full amount of \$38,884.08
- DOT need a list of street lights to be changed to LED by next year

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Rockland Rd residents inquiring about zoning for fencing
- Adopt A Road application submitted by Tammy Guzzo

**RESOLUTION - ADOPT A ROAD APPROVAL Guzzo**

On a motion of Mr. Devantier, seconded by Mr. Edwards, the following resolution was ADOPTED - VOTE - AYES 4, NAYS 0 - RESOLVED - to approve the Adopt-A-Road application from Tammy Guzzo for Town of Rockland portion of Co Hwy 17 and Roscoe Hwy banks for a period of two years.

- Town Clerk Monthly Report

**DEPARTMENT HEADS**

**Ted Hartling** Highway Superintendent - The department is running behind on road sweeping but finishing up, plows are being taken apart, preparation for paving is in progress.

**Glenn Gabbard**, Code Enforcement - NYS DOH meeting to be held regarding three local camps with sewer spillage issues, there are no current permits.

78 Old Liberty Rd violations have been cleaned up. Trout House sign issue still not resolved and the Black Cat Properties will not receive any further permits until complying.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

On a motion of Mr. Devantier, seconded by Ms. Ryder, the following resolution was ADOPTED - VOTE - AYES 4, NAYS 0 - RESOLVED to approve the bills on the abstract #9 of 2018 in the following amounts:

General	166-190	\$24,021.59
Highway	143-160	24,851.23
Liv.Manor Sewer	58-66	3,838.12
Liv.Manor Water	60-64	2,972.21
R R Water	57-61	3,024.96
Roscoe Sewer	60-69	4,610.04
RR Light	16-17	214.25

**ADJOURNMENT** - On a motion of Mr. Edwards seconded by Ms. Ryder and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:48 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline F. Devoe,  
Town Clerk