**REGULAR MEETING of the TOWN OF ROCKLAND** was held on **July 21st, 2022** 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 ANDREW McRELL

COUNCILPERSON PETE DEVANTIER

COUNCILPERSON CHRISTINE ROUTLEDGE

COUNCILPERSON EDWIN EDWARDS

OTHERS PRESENT: Marinella Di Vita, Town Clerk, Roger Decker, Highway Superintendent & Chris Bury, Water and Sewer Superintendent

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A Motion was made by Mr. DeVantier seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve the minutes from the July 7th board meeting

**CORRESPONDENCE**

* New workplace violence training for NYMIR
* The Sullivan County Soil and Water Conservation District is having their Annual Dish Stocking Program. If interested in stocking, contact 845-292-6552 and request an order form to be mailed to you. Orders will be accepted until September 26th, 2022
* NYS Grants Gateway transition to SFS and will become the State’s new enterprise grants management system
* Sullivan County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board Farm Tour is on Thursday July 28th where there will be a tour of 4 different farms. If interested, RSVP at 845-292-6180 EXT 116
* Walk the Bindy Bazaar Trail with Sullivan Renaissance at Bethel Woods on Wednesday, August 3rd at 6 PM. For more information, Contact 845-295-2445
* Office of the New York State Comptroller notifies Town of Rockland of the economic impact of the great outdoors in 2022 compared to 2020.
* Office of the New York State Comptroller notifies Town of Rockland that the final payment allocated to municipality pursuant to ARPA
* Red Cross helping the Town of Rockland be prepared for any natural disaster or emergency situation by answering questions about a trailer we have in the township
* Sullivan County is seeking assist and input on current and future housing needs through an online open house at [www.sullivanhousingstudy.org](http://www.sullivanhousingstudy.org) This open house will last through July 31st and help with a countywide assessment on cost of housing
* Schumer’s office states Sullivan County is a Drug Trafficking Area and is pushing the Federal Government to approve it as as high intensity drug trafficked area in hopes that it will calm the drug use and fatalities
* Randy Hoag and colleagues from the Livingston Manor Firehouse presented to the board information about dry hydrants and how they plan to help the Town of Rockland, asking permission to install 5 in the town in the matter of 5 years. The board agrees that this is extremely important in emergency situations and agreed to support the firehouse.

**OLD BUSINESS**

* Trusses for the Court House located in Roscoe will arrive on August 8th
* Thank you to Bill Rivicki, Chrissy Routledge and all volunteers for donating their time for putting together the Town of Rockland’s newest addition, a dog park at Riverside Park in Roscoe. Your hard work and efforts are extremely appreciated.
* Budget ideas for Water and Sewer Discussion, under review.
* Zoning review meeting update, discussion about tiny homes. Idea of minimum size being450 sqft having that this structure will be connected to well and septic in accordance with the Department of Health, and has to have solar, propane and/or electric.

**NEW BUSINESS**

* Renaissance had asked the Town of Rockland to construct a community garden on Pearl Street, discussion about converting that property into a parking lot for more parking space in Livingston Manor under review
* Support the Office of the Aging

**RESOLUTION** #80 - 2022 **Senior Needs Assessment**

A motion was made by Mr. Routledge seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor to support and assist the Sullivan County Office for the Aging’s HCR Community Development Block Grant Application to conduct a Sullivan County Community Senior needs assessment.

* Amend Resolution #71

**RESOLUTION** #81 - 2022 **Amended Highway Equipment**

A motion was made by Mr. Edwards seconded by Mr. DeVantier with all in favor to purchase a Truck from Arkel Motors for $137,464.58 and the body and plow equipment from Amthors for $120,913.98 with a total expenditure of $2258,378.56

**DEPARTMENT HEADS**

**Chris Bury - Water & Sewer Superintendent -** DEC Inspection for the water and sewer plants was done and passed. Everything has been good.

**Roger Decker - Highway Superintendent** -Recovered from recent storm and had to re-clean the streets before the paving was completed. Paving was completed today. Beavers were finally trapped and the dam is destroyed.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

On a motion of Mrs. Routledge, seconded by Mr. DeVantier the following resolution was ADOPTED - VOTE - AYES 4, NAYS 0 - RESOLVED to approve the bills on abstract #14 of July 21st 2022 in the following amounts:

General 265-280 $12,909.04

Highway 197-209 $188,533.11

Liv.Manor Water 159-168 $3,839.23

Liv.Manor Sewer 138-144 $2,952.60

R R Water 146-158 $3,817.47

Roscoe Sewer 133-137 $1,269.18

LML 8 $1,121.02

RRL 9 $205.24

ARPA 4 $17,785.00

ROS EFC 7 $26.96

Public Comment- Joe Abraham says hello to Board Members

**ADJOURNMENT** - On a motion of Mr. McRell seconded by Mr. DeVantier and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Marinella Di Vita

Town Clerk