**REGULAR MEETING of the TOWN OF ROCKLAND** was held on **November 17th, 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 Christopher Bury, Water and Sewer Superintendent and some members of the Public

PUBLIC HEARING - 7 PM - 2023 Budget

On a motion by Mrs. Routledge seconded by Mr. McRell the public hearing was opened at 7 pm. After Supervisor Eggleton opened the meeting, Sheila Shultz asked if the water and sewer rates will go up in the Fiscal year of 2023. Eggleton responded yes by $3.00 each district. The budget has a 1.321% increase for the 2023 year. On a motion by Mrs. Routledge seconded by Mr. McRell the public hearing was closed at 7:04 pm.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A Motion was made by Mr. DeVantier seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve the minutes from the November 3rd board meeting

**CORRESPONDENCE**

* NYSEG payment options for energy saving with HEAP please visit nyseg.com (search for HEAP)
* SCVA Annual Meeting from 5:30-8:30 at Bethel Woods on December 7th Contact 845-747-4449 with any questions
* Sullivan 180 Bethel Woods 2 mile event at Peace, Love and lights on Mondays, some proceeds will go to the Center for the Homeless
* SC Manager proposed budget ending solid waste fee
* Warming center at the Liberty United Methodist Church, call to reserve a spot 845-807-0142
* Senior Citizen Luncheon at the Rockland House on December 7th at 12:30 PM
* Department of Public Service for winter preparedness, shows how to keep heating costs down and may have some options for financial assistance
* Livingston Manor Chamber of Commerce writes letter to the Board explaining why Renaissance Park rentals could affect the Town of Rockland’s community. This particular subject will be discussed in the upcoming meetings with the Planning and Zoning Board.

-Guest speaker Valerie Rittendale with the National Wreaths Across America Day, which will be on December 17th, 2022 at 12:00 PM at the Westfield Flats Cemetery on 1955 Old Route 17, Roscoe NY. This ceremony will take place at the Cemetery and will be followed by refreshments afterward. Wreaths will be placed on the Veterans Cemetery plots to be remembered. Riverview Cemetery will be at another time.

**OLD BUSINESS**

* LMSTP and RSTP update, both projects are almost complete. Roscoe is done whereas Livingston Manor is just about finished just ran into some electrical issues, however, the project should be completed fairly soon.

**NEW BUSINESS**

* Resolution to Adopt Final 2023 Budget

**RESOLUTION** #134 - 2022 **Adopt Final Budget for 2023**

On a motion the following resolution was ADOPTED - VOTE- AYES 5, NAYS 0: Supervisor Eggleton YES

Councilperson McRell YES

Councilperson DeVantier YES

Councilperson Edwards YES

Councilperson Routledge YES

WHEREAS, the Town Board has met at the time and place specified in the notice of the said 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 of 2023, beginning January 1st, 2023 and that such budget as adopted by entered in the minutes of the proceedings of this Town Board, and

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

The 2023 Budget has an increase of 1.321%

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF SULLIVAN ss:

TOWN OF ROCKLAND

I, Marinella Di Vita, Town Clerk of the Town of Rockland, County of Sullivan, State of New York, do hereby certify that the above resolution is a true copy from the Town Board minutes dated November, 18th, 2022 as kept in the Town of Rockland, Sullivan County, New York.

In Testimony, therefore, I hereby set my hand and the seal of the Town of Rockland this 18th day of November of 2022.

* Budget Modifications for Livingston Manor Sewer

**RESOLUTION** #135 - 2022 **Budget Modification Livingston Manor Sewer**

WHEREAS, the 2022 Budget requires modification, now therefore be it RESOLVED, that the Livingston Manor Sewer entries be authorized

FROM: TO:

8110.2 8110.4

$200.00 $200.00

TOTAL: $ 200.00 TOTAL: $200.00

A motion was made by Mr. McRell seconded by Mr. DeVantier with all in favor to modify the budget as stated above

* Budget Modifications for Livingston Manor Water

**RESOLUTION** #136 - 2022 **Budget Modification Livingston Manor Water**

WHEREAS, the 2022 Budget requires modification, now therefore be it RESOLVED, that the Livingston Manor Water entries be authorized

FROM: TO:

8310.4 8340.2

$2,500.00 $2,500.00

8340.4 8330.4

$6,000.00 $6,000.00

TOTAL: $ 8,500.00 TOTAL: $8,500.00

A motion was made by Mrs. Routledge seconded by Mr. Edwards with all in favor to modify the budget as stated above

* Budget Modifications for Roscoe Sewer

**RESOLUTION** #137 - 2022 **Budget Modification Roscoe Sewer**

WHEREAS, the 2022 Budget requires modification, now therefore be it RESOLVED, that the Roscoe Sewer entries be authorized

FROM: TO:

8110.4 8130.2

$2,500.00 $2,500.00

TOTAL: $ 2,500.00 TOTAL: $2,500.00

A motion was made by Mr. DeVantier seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor to modify the budget as stated above

* Humane Society of Middletown

**RESOLUTION** #138 - 2022 **Humane Society of Middletown**

A motion was made by Mrs. Routledge seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor to accept the Humane Society of Middletown as one of the Town of Rockland’s animal shelters for the period beginning January 1st of 2023 and ending December 31st of 2023.

* Appoint Kerry Madison as Deputy Town Clerk

**RESOLUTION** #139 - 2022 **Appoint Kerry Madison as Deputy Town Clerk**

A motion was made by Mr. Edwards seconded by Mr. Edwards with all in favor to appoint Kerry Madison as deputy town clerk for the Town of Rockland at $14.50 an hour

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* Resolution for Reassessments in LM & Roscoe for Misc. Fees

**RESOLUTION** #140 -2022 **Approval of Chargebacks for Budget 2023**

By Resolution of the Town Board of the Town of Rockland dated November 18th, 2022, a list of parcels are to be re-levied for the Town of Rockland misc. fees: Mowing, trimming, snow removal & salting as approved by the Town Board during the Fiscal Year 2022 in the total amount of $925.00

SBL NUMBER OWNER NAME Amount of Re Levy

35.-2-4.2 VAMJAG LP $300.00

26.-1-8 Roadhouse Catskills $350.00

23.-3-2.2 Ernest Bodon $275.00

A motion was made by Mrs. Routledge seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor to accept these chargebacks stated above.

* Rate Change for W/S Districts

**RESOLUTION** #141 - 2022 **Rate Change for Water/Sewer Districts**

A motion was made by Mr. Edwards seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor to raise the Water and Sewer rates for each district by $3.00 starting January 1st of 2023

District: 2022: 2023:

Roscoe Water $98.00 $101.00

Roscoe Sewer $133.00 $136.00

Liv Manor Water $93.00 $96.00

Liv Manor Sewer $103.00 $106.00

**DEPARTMENT HEADS**

**Roger Decker - Highway Superintendent** - Reported to the State Troopers that the Caboose windows are all broken, wasn’t sure if that was property of the Town of Rockland or the Chamber but they have been notified that someone was trespassing. Trucks at Robert Green are just about ready, probably looking at about December to pick them up.

**Christopher Bury - Water & Sewer Superintendent** - New meter was put in and its working great. Getting ready for the cold winter maintenance upkeep.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

On a motion of Mrs. Routledge seconded by Mr. McRell the following resolution was ADOPTED - VOTE - AYES 4, NAYS 0 - RESOLVED to approve the bills on abstract #22 of November 17th 2022 in the following amounts:

General 433-447 $4,065.81

Highway 328-343 $13,140.50

Liv.Manor Water 237-244 $6,519.67

Liv.Manor Sewer 208-214 $2,111.81

R R Water 222-229 $3,970.80

Roscoe Sewer 189-196 $2,579.21

LML 14 $21.98

RRL 15 $31.01

LMCON 11-13 $294,971.25

EFC 16-17 $19,265.00

T&A 9-10 $3,638.15

Public Comment - Chamber of Commerce ideas for beautification of the Town of Rockland.

**ADJOURNMENT** - On a motion of Mr. Routledge seconded by Mr. McRell and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Marinella Di Vita

Town Clerk