**REGULAR MEETING of the TOWN OF ROCKLAND** was held on **September 7th, 2023** at 7:00 PM with the following members:

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR ROBERT EGGLETON

COUNCILPERSON ANDREW McRELL

COUNCILPERSON PETE DEVANTIER

COUNCILPERSON EDWIN EDWARDS

COUNCILPERSON CHRISTINE ROUTLEDGE

OTHERS PRESENT: Jennifer DeVantier, Confidential Clerk to the Supervisor, Roger Decker, Highway Superintendent, Glenn Gabbard, Code Enforcement, Christopher Bury, Water and Sewer Superintendent & other members from the public.

Public Hearing opened at 7:04 PM on a motion made by Mr. McRell and seconded by Mrs. Routledge with all in favor.

Public hearing is needed to be able to use the building reserve funds to install new lighting, work needed in the courthouse, painting and putting a new ceiling in at the town hall.

Public Comment - Sheila Shultz asked how much this nature of work would cost the town, Supervisor Eggleton said approximately $30,000 will be used from reserve account.

Public Hearing closed at 7:05 PM on a motion made by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mr. DeVantier with all in favor.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

* A Motion was made by Mrs. Routledge seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve the minutes from the August 17th, 2023 board meeting

**CORRESPONDENCE**

* Sullivan County Managers monthly newsletter - Broadband expansion is coming soon. High speed internet plan expansion is coming soon for all Sullivan County residents.
* Sullivan County Tax Auction September 6th & 7th
* Heather Brown of Sullivan County’s community development
* Sullivan County Delaware and Hudson Canal interpretive center at 16 Bova Road, Summitville NY. Guided Canal Trail Walk on Sunday September 10th, at 1 PM; Guided Canal & O&W Trail Walk Sunday October 15th, at 1 PM; D&H Canal Presentation Sunday October 22nd, at 2 PM. Contact S.C. Parks Department to register at [scparks@sullivanny.us](mailto:scparks@sullivanny.us) or call 845-807-0287
* Rabies clinic Wednesday SC residents only, October 11th from 6-7:30 PM at the Town of Thompson Monticello Firehouse at 23 Richardson Avenue, Monticello NY; To preregister visit, https://tinyurl.com/y575p832 additional questions call 845-292-5910 EXT 0

**OLD BUSINESS**

* Update on O&W Trail status, met with Mike brooks and Heather Brown from the county as well as Russell Budd to move forward with some possible help the County may help with some funding.
* Water customer leaking toilet at 3 Johnston Road $100 up front pay balance by the end of the year
* 56 Johnston Road paid minimum, not overages if needed to work out have them pay by the end of the year. No Late fees.
* Grease Removal

**RESOLUTION**#88 - 2023 **TAM Grease Removal**

A motion was made by Mr. DeVantier seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor to hire TAM to remove grease in the amount of $5,085.00 from the Old Route 17 pump station

**NEW BUSINESS**

* Budget Modifications General Fund

**RESOLUTION** # 89- 2023 **Budget Modification** GEN

WHEREAS, the 2023 Budget requires modification, now therefore be it RESOLVED, that the General Fund entries be authorized

FROM: TO:

1220.40 1220.2

$1,221.40 $1,221.40

Total = $1,221.40

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

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* Budget Modifications Highway Fund

**RESOLUTION** #90 - 2023 **Budget Modification** HWY

WHEREAS, the 2023 Budget requires modification, now therefore be it RESOLVED, that the Highway Fund entries be authorized

FROM: TO:

01-5031 5110.20

$2,500.00 $2,500.00

Total = $2,500.00

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

* Budget Modifications General Fund

**RESOLUTION** #91 - 2023 **Budget Modification** GEN

WHEREAS, the 2023 Budget requires modification, now therefore be it RESOLVED, that the General Fund entries be authorized

FROM: Expenditures TO: Expenditures

7110.40- $2,500.00 9901.90- $2,500.00

( PARKS) (Interfund Transfer out)

$2,500.00 $2,500.00

Total = $2,500.00 (walk behind mower)

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

* Budget Modifications General Fund

**RESOLUTION** # 92- 2023 **Budget Modification** GEN

WHEREAS, the 2023 Budget requires modification, now therefore be it RESOLVED, that the General Fund entries be authorized

FROM: Unappropriated Fund Balance TO: Interfund Transfers

$100,000.00 $100,000.00

Total =$100,000.00

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

* Budget Modifications Roscoe Sewer Fund

**RESOLUTION** #93 - 2023 **Budget Modification** RS

WHEREAS, the 2023 Budget requires modification, now therefore be it RESOLVED, that the Roscoe Sewer Fund entries be authorized

FROM:8130.4 TO: 8120.4

$3,184.68 $3,184.68

Total =$3,184.68

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

* 40 River Street high usage - Water went through sewer line bill was extremely high, If resident is not able to make payment the Town of Rockland will set up payment plan they then will need to clear up in the next year. Board agrees so much a month to clear up. Will return to see if payments were made in several months
* Ordering 30 Meters for W/S Districts

**RESOLUTION** #94 - 2023 **Ordering Meters**

A motion was made by Mr. McRell seconded by Mr. Edwards with all in favor to order 30 water meter endpoints.

Public Hearing opened at 7:20 PM on a motion made by Mr. McRell and seconded by Mrs. Routledge with all in favor.

Public hearing is needed to pass Local Law #3 Amendment of 170.7 entitled “Vehicles and Traffic”

Public Comment -

Kristen Scharold - wants the town to be safe, thinks there is a major confusion with parking. Suggests instead of changing the law, maybe addressing parking lines and proper signage

Lily Price- Business owner on pleasant right on corner, primarily effected by this. Thinks changing the parking to diagonal parking. Mentioned putting in crosswalks to increase safety of staff, residents, and customers.

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Patricia Meade - Resident from Livingston Manor, admits that it is a pain to drive near Pleasant Street. Thinks this will effect these local businesses. Doesn’t think there is another parking in Livingston Manor. Asked if the area where the Pavilion is able to be parked at.

Ninze Chen - Drives larger vehicle, hard to pull into Pleasant Street. A temporary solution may be to put out some cones, clear signs, park here / don’t park here signs etc.

Miriam (Jitterbug Owner) - To congested, parking diagonally by Keiser slot, Taking it away would be problematic. Diagonal parking seems to work in Roscoe.

Brad - on corner itself on main / pleasant

Jess (Zoom) - Everyone is offering other solutions what do other towns do? Have all avenues been exhausted?

Marj - every summer for 78 years we have seen town boom, it is a joy to see the manor as lively as it is now

Mike Misner - grew up on Pleasant Street, we have never had any issue with parking. We need more enforcement from police, why make businesses suffer. More enforcement can go a long way.

Public Hearing closed at 7:37 PM on a motion made by Mr. DeVantier and seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor.

Building Reserve Funds

**RESOLUTION #** 95 2023 **Painting / Ceiling work**

A motion was made by Mr. McRell seconded by Mr. Edwards with all in favor to use some building reserve funds to do some renovations for the Town of Rockland Municipal buildings including the Court and inside the Town Hall at an approximate cost of $30,000.

* Local Law #3 - 2023

**RESOLUTION** #96 - 2023 **Local Law #3 - 2023**

A Motion was made by Mr. DeVantier seconded by Mr. Edwards with all other members in favor to pass Local Law #3 Amendment of 170-7 of Chapter 170, entitled Vehicles and Traffic, of the Code of the Town of Rockland, Sullivan County, New York

Roll Call:

SUPERVISOR EGGLETON YES

COUNCILPERSON ROUTLEDGE YES

COUNCILPERSON McRELL YES

COUNCILPERSON DEVANTIER YES

COUNCILPERSON EDWARDS YES

**DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

**Roger Decker - Highway Superintendent** - Done a lot of paving, Pilnor Hollow, Alexander Drive, Knickerbocker, Beaver lake and two others. Some pretty bad spots throughout a lot of those roads.

**Glenn Gabbard - Code Enforcement** -Report before board members. 4 matters in justice court.

**Christopher Bury - Water & Sewer Superintendent -** So far so good. Pump street cleared out, dump truck is back. Water main flushing takes places in October. Little Beaverkill checking on water main. Plug up in sewer main - all straightened out

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

On a motion of Mr. Edwards seconded by Mrs. Routledge the following resolution was ADOPTED - VOTE - AYES 4, NAYS 0 - RESOLVED to approve the bills on abstract #17 September, 2023 in the following amounts:

General 322-349 $23,766.47

Highway 321-339 $26,497.23

Liv.Manor Water 131-138 $5,256.58

Liv.Manor Sewer 109-118 $3,613.10

R R Water 132-140 $1,696.60

Roscoe Sewer 121-131 $8,086.58

LML 12 $1,123.23

RRL 14 $12.42

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Public Comment -

Pat Mead- asked if this is a decision that was just made tonight; she has never seen a meeting

Where this are just decided without discussion

Brad- Feasibility study - has this been done?

Member of the public asked how many spots are being lost, Supervisor Eggleton answered with none, because that side was never actual spots.

Can vehicles still load and unload out in the front of the buildings, Supervisor Eggleton answers with as long as that vehicle is moved in a timely manner, will not be an issue.

Law will be in effect tomorrow.

**ADJOURNMENT** - On a motion of Mr. McRell seconded by Mr. DeVantier and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Marinella Di Vita

Town Clerk