**REGULAR MEETING of the TOWN OF ROCKLAND** was held on November 2nd**, 2023** at 7:00 PM with the following members:

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR ROBERT EGGLETON

COUNCILPERSON ANDREW McRELL

COUNCILPERSON EDWIN EDWARDS

COUNCILPERSON CHRISTINE ROUTLEDGE

ABSENT: COUNCILPERSON PETE DEVANTIER

OTHERS PRESENT: Marinella Di Vita, Town Clerk, Christopher Bury, Water and Sewer Superintendent, Roger Decker, Highway Superintendent, & other members from the public.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

* A Motion was made by Mr. McRell seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve the minutes from the October 19th, 2023 board meeting

**CORRESPONDENCE**

* Office of the New York State Comptroller upcoming webinars November 8th Financial Condition Analysis (Board Members), November 29th NYSLRS record of activities for elected and appointed officials, and December 6th OSC’s annual financial report (for CFO and preparers)
* NYMIR Insurance Policy Risk Management services walkthrough of towns services to reduce risk of cyber hacking and email fraud
* NYSEG and RG&E reminding customers of payment options. Customers can begin applying for the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) November 1st 2023. Benefits are available through March 15th, 2024. Visit mybenefits.ny.gov for more information or you can contact the local social services for more information.
* New Policy Clean water state revolving fund plan and specification submittal requirement. Submit Bid-Ready Plans and Specs to EFC at least 60 days before advertisement. The requirement does not apply to any plans and specifications that have been submitted to or approved by EFC or DEC prior to October 27th, 2023. If plans are already advertised and have not been submitted to EFC, submit by November 17th, 2023.
* Old Keiser Building talk of the new business plans

**OLD BUSINESS**

* NY Audit for Citizens more information regarding voting and how some of them aren’t valid. Tabled to next meeting when all Board Members are present.
* Homeland Security FEMA standards vacant land, will need photos every three years.

**NEW BUSINESS**

* Health Insurance change discussion to save employees money. Met with Jessica Taylor from MVP discussed plans and switching would help save a tremendous amount of money, need some more discussion regarding this topic.
* Public Hearing for Budget hearing

**RESOLUTION** # 111- 2023 **Set Public Hearing** 2024 Budget

A motion was made by Mrs. Routledge seconded by Mr. Edwards to set budget hearing for November 16th, 2023 at 7 PM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 2024 Preliminary Budget and has been completed and filed in the Office of the Town Clerk, 95 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY where it is available for public inspection from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Rockland will hold a Public Hearing on said 2024 Preliminary Budget on Thursday, November 16th, 2023 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall on 95 Main Street, Livingston Manor, NY. All concerned citizens are invited to attend in person or via ZOOM and provide the Town Board with written and oral comments on the proposed 2023 Preliminary Budget.

* Budget Modifications for Roscoe Sewer Fund

**RESOLUTION** # 112- 2023 **Budget Modification Roscoe Sewer Fund**

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

FROM: TO:

8130.4 8120.4

Total: $400.00 $400.00

(Courthouse Manhole)

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

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* Budget Modifications for Livingston Manor Water Fund

**RESOLUTION** #113- 2023 **Budget Modification Livingston Manor Water Fund**

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

FROM: TO:

Livingston Manor Water Fund Balance 8340.4

Total: $30,000.00 $30,000

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

* Resolution to Reappoint Guy Baker

**RESOLUTION** #114 - 2023 **Guy Baker SC Fire Advisory Board**

A motion was made by Mr. Edwards seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor to reappoint Guy Baker to the Sullivan County Fire Advisory Board

* Town Barn quote for painting and possibly issues with wiring awaiting quote for that repair

**DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

**Christopher Bury - Water & Sewer Superintendent -**All set for the winter months, grease inspections have been done most business in compliance.

**Roger Decker - Highway Superintendent -** Jamie has picked up that Kerosene is being mixed into our fuel, bid specifically says we are aloud to reject a bid and that a municipality must approve use of this type of mixture. Plow equipment is ready to go.

* Purchase Asphalt Hot Box

**RESOLUTION** #115 - 2023 **Asphalt Hot box for HWY**

A motion was made by Mr. McRell seconded by Mr. Edward with all in favor to purchase Asphalt Hot Box for the highway department

**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 #21 November 2nd 2023 in the following amounts:

General 408-425 $7,348.44

Highway 385-404 $102,893.62

Liv.Manor Water 159-168 $30,963.62

Liv.Manor Sewer 139-148 $941.83

R R Water 164-173 $3,835.24

Roscoe Sewer 157-165 $1,497.90

LML 16 $35.21

RRL 18 $2,779.03

Public Comment -Sheila Shultz let board members know about ZBA meeting at 7 PM at Town Hall regarding Country House Reality LED light on display

Joe Bergstein- Concern about tree limb hanging on power lines near 40 Creamery

**ADJOURNMENT** - On a motion of Mrs. Routledge seconded by Mr. McRell and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:41 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Marinella Di Vita

Town Clerk