

**REGULAR MEETING of the TOWN OF ROCKLAND** was held on **February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024** at 7:00 PM with the following members:

PRESENT:	SUPERVISOR	ROBERT EGGLETON
	COUNCILPERSON	PETE DEVANTIER
	COUNCILPERSON	CHRISTINE ROUTLEDGE
	COUNCILPERSON	ANDREW McRELL
	COUNCILPERSON	EDWIN EDWARDS

OTHERS PRESENT: Marinella Di Vita, Town Clerk, Christopher Bury, Water and Sewer Superintendent, Glenn Gabbard, Code Enforcement Officer & members from the public.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A Motion was made by Mr. DeVantier seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve the minutes from the January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 board meeting

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- Celebrate Winter at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual SnO&W on Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM on the historic O&W Rail Trail in Hurleyville. Call 845-807-0531
- Black History Month at CAS. Catskill Art Space celebrates President's Day Weekend Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> of February. African/American Composers, a lecture and performance from 4-5, followed by screening of DJ Spooky's multimedia film remix from 5:30-6:45. Both events taking place in CAS's second floor gallery.
- Homeland Security and Emergency Services Emergency Operations for plans for Rural Jurisdictions 8 hour course, conversation for employees to take course for the Town of Rockland
- Monthly hoot - February menu for the Livingston Manor Site on Wednesdays & the shopping bus schedule for Roscoe and Livingston Manor Tuesdays the 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 27<sup>th</sup>. 2024 AARP Tax-Aide Program for free tax assistance is set to begin this year with appointments being accepted. Phone numbers Cornell Cooperative Extension 845-292-6180. Ethelbert B Crawford Public Library 845-794-4660 Ext 6
- NYMIR Risk Management Bulletin best practices

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Solar Liberty Project

#### **RESOLUTION #7 - 2024 CESIR STUDY**

A motion was made by Mrs. Routledge seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor to proceed with CESIR preliminary study for the Solar Liberty Project on Fishman Road

- Certificate of Resolution for MVP Health Insurance Benefit Plan

#### **RESOLUTION #8 - 2024 MVP Health Insurance Benefit Plan**

A motion was made by Mr. McRell seconded by Mr. Edwards with all in favor to accept the MVP Health Insurance Benefit Plan

- Water and Sewer Customer in Livingston Manor at 587 Old Route 17 seeks reduction or payment plan, Board agrees to send letter to give a year time for a payment plan

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Extend Transfer Station Agreement

#### **RESOLUTION #9 - 2024 Transfer Station Agreement**

A motion was made by Mr. DeVantier seconded by Mrs. Routledge with all in favor to extend the Transfer Station Agreement for 3 more years at \$5,000 a year

- Roger Decker Cell phone Stipend

#### **RESOLUTION #10 - 2024 Roger Decker Stipend for Cell Phone Use**

A motion was made by Mr. McRell seconded by Mr. Edwards with all in favor to approve Roger Decker a stipend of \$180.00 per year for cell phone use as the Highway Superintendent

- Ronald Crover Classes

#### **RESOLUTION #11 - 2024 Sewer License - Ronald Crover**

A motion was made by Mr. DeVantier seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor to approve Ronald Crover's classes to get his Sewer License. Town of Rockland will pay for all the classes. Ronald Crover must work a minimum of 5 years for the Town of Rockland Water and Sewer Department or reimburse the Town's money if he wishes to resign.

- Chris Bury Supervisory Classes

#### **RESOLUTION #12 - 2024 Chris Bury Supervisory Classes**

A motion was made by Mrs. Routledge seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor to allow Christopher Bury to go classes in Cortland New York for a Supervisory Management Treatment

- Waive Fees for 337 Old Route 17

**RESOLUTION #13 - 2024 Waive Late Fees**

A motion was made by Mrs. Routledge seconded by Mr. DeVantier with all in favor to waive late fees in the amount of \$14.70 for the property at 337 Old Route 17

Town Clerks Monthly Report / Tax Collection Report

Water & Sewer Weekend schedule for the month and Log for last month

**DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

**Chris Bury- W/S Superintendent** - Everything is going good, except for one customer this week in Roscoe, had to get into a house as an emergency shut off to stop the house from getting further water damage. Had to contact one of the neighbors to get in but we did it. The water damage in the house was already significant but to save it we had to get the guys to shut it off before getting worse.

**Glenn Gabbard- Code Enforcement Officer** - Report before the board, enforcement actions still pending

**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 #3 February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 in the following amounts:

General	35-67	\$23,779.95
Highway	30-50	\$129,867.04
Liv.Manor Water	19-26	\$5,009.61
Liv.Manor Sewer	15-24	\$19,641.64
R R Water	17-26	\$2,406.60
Roscoe Sewer	16-24	\$2,784.90
LML	2	\$666.29

Public Comment - Sheila Shultz asked when the water and sewer proposals will be prepared by the engineers

Peggy LM Library- July 6<sup>th</sup> permission to use municipal parking lot for an event

A motion was made by Mr. McRell and seconded by Mr. DeVantier to go into executive session at 7:27 PM

A motion as made by Mr. DeVantier and seconded by Mrs. Routledge to exit executive session at 7:42 PM

No action taken during executive session.

**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