

**REGULAR MEETING of the TOWN OF ROCKLAND was held on June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 7:00 PM with the following members:**

<b>PRESENT: SUPERVISOR</b>	<b>ROBERT EGGLETON</b>
<b>COUNCILPERSON</b>	<b>CHRISTINE ROUTLEDGE</b>
<b>COUNCILPERSON</b>	<b>CAROLE EDWARDS</b>
<b>COUNCILPERSON</b>	<b>ANDREW McRELL</b>
<b>COUNCILPERSON</b>	<b>PETER JR DEVANTIER</b>

**OTHERS PRESENT: Jennifer DeVantier, Secretary to the Supervisor, Roger Decker, Highway Superintendent, Christopher Bury, Water & Sewer, Glenn Gabbard, Code Enforcement Officer & other members from the public**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Correction to Councilperson Christine Routledge was misspelled**

A motion was made by Mrs. Routledge and Seconded by Mr. McRell to approve the May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Minutes

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- Kickoff Sullivan County 3 million dollar Broadband project at Bethel Woods on June 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 PM; Contact Dan Hust – 845-807-0450
- NYSEG tool to lower bills – now can notify customers when there is a higher amount; Online services available on how to manage electric
- 1934 Old Route 17 – 14K bill - going to be disconnected if NYSEG bill is unpaid
- Sullivan County Transfer Station – Now open from 7:00 AM-3:30 PM, except for Saturday open from 7AM-11AM – Bags will be accepted till 1 PM
- Resignation letter from Valerie Rittendale effective till November – Town of Rockland thanks Valerie for her years of service
- Sullivan County Biking Master Plan – County website take survey
- Twin Village Par 3 Shoot Out – Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> \$40 Dollar entry CASH ONLY – Raffle & cash prizes – Food & Beverages available at Courtyard near Hole 2
- Neversink General Storee Art Exhibit on June 28<sup>th</sup> from 5PM-8PM

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Insurance update for the golf carts to be added will be an additional \$800 with a \$500 deductible
- Next board meeting is Wednesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM
- Planning Board Clerk Catherine Perry took another Job – Rosemary Hankins to replace

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Jonathan Cummings 1.-1-39.1 Reduction in assessment

**RESOLUTION #71-2025 (1.-1-39.1) - Reduction in assessment**

The following motion was offered by Councilperson DeVantier, who moved its adoption, and seconded by Councilperson Edwards, to wit:

**WHEREAS**, Jonathan Cummings (“Petitioner”) has served and filed a notice of protest and notice of petition and petition for review and reduction of a real property assessment for the

year 2024 with respect to a parcel owned by him located in the Town of Rockland, identified as tax map parcel number 1.-1-39.1; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Rockland has appeared in said proceeding by Kenneth C. Klein, Esq., attorney for the Town, and Petitioner has appeared in the aforesaid proceeding by E. Stewart Jones Hacker Murphy, LLP, Patrick L. Seely, Jr., Esq., of counsel; and

**WHEREAS**, following negotiations among the parties and their counsel, a settlement of all matters in dispute has been reached; and

**WHEREAS**, it appears that the proposed settlement of all matters in dispute will result in a fair and equitable resolution of Petitioner’s complaint with respect to the subject assessment;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved, that Kenneth C. Klein, Esq., Town Attorney, be, and he hereby is authorized, directed and allowed to affix his signature to a Consent Order and Judgment, thereby effecting settlement of the aforesaid proceedings in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth therein, which Consent Order and Judgment has been provided to the Town Board for complete reading and filing this date; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that Kenneth C. Klein, Esq., Town Attorney, be, and he hereby is authorized, empowered and directed to do all other things, and to execute any and all other documents, which are reasonably necessary and incidental to the effectuation and finalization of the aforesaid stipulation of settlement.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Supervisor Robert Eggleton	voting	YES
Councilperson Carole Edwards	voting	YES
Councilperson Andrew McRell	voting	YES
Councilperson Peter DeVantier	voting	YES
Councilperson Christine Routledge	voting	YES

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

- Joint Fuel Bid

**RESOLUTION #72-2025 Joint Fuel Bid with Town of Liberty**

A motion was made by Councilperson McRell and seconded by Councilperson Routledge with all in favor submit \$100 payment to Town of Liberty to join their fuel bid for the year 2026 – Fuel bid would start from September 2025 - August 2026

- 26 Pleasant Credit on Sewer

**RESOLUTION #73 -2025 26 Pleasant Street – Credit**

A motion was made by Councilperson Edwards and seconded by Councilperson McRell with all in favor to credit property 26 Pleasant Street a total of \$726.82 on the sewer bill

- 533 Old Rte 17 - Emergency Repair at LM Sewer pump station

**RESOLUTION #74 -2025 533 Old Route 17 emergency repair/remove confined space**

A motion was made by Councilperson DeVantier Seconded by Councilperson Edwards with all in favor to hire TAM Enterprises at a price of \$198,760 (lowest quote, quotes attached) emergency repair/replace at 533 Old Route 17 LM sewer pump station

**RESOLUTION #75 -2025 Rehire Glenn Eggleton For Golf Course Pro Shop**

A motion was made by Councilperson Edwards and seconded by Councilperson DeVantier with all in favor to rehire Glenn Eggleton for Pro shop at the Golf course at the same rate as last year (2024)

- Advertise for alternate for planning board – put in Manor Ink (continuing education required)
- Letter of support for Trout Unlimited for the Resilient NY grant from the Town of Rockland – to reduce flooding near Willowemoc creek & for Livingston Manor NY
- NY Forward Steering Committee

**RESOLUTION #76 -2025 Members for NY Forward Steering Committee**

A motion was made by Councilperson Routledge and seconded by Councilperson DeVantier with all in favor to appoint Andy McRell, Robert Eggleton, Dan Pacek & Maria Bivins; Still looking for more members

**DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

**Glenn Gabbard – Code Enforcement Officer – It’s grass season, been dealing with many properties that haven’t been mowed. Permits have been moving about 190-200. 24 new homes being built in the Town of Rockland. Staying busy.**

**Christopher Bury – Water & Sewer Superintendent – 533 Old Route 17 broken been working on that, Roscoe Sewer Clarifier is fixed & starting to focus on Dahlia Road in the next few weeks**

**Roger Decker- Highway Superintendent – Met with Soil/Water for Beaverkill – looking for help with large excavator on 4 jobs, Rethinking Elm Hollow Road – shim coat; Cleaned fire lane. Contract is coming up this year. 3 road signs were stolen over memorial day weekend – new signs are expected to come next week to replace.**

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

On a motion of Mrs. Routledge and seconded by Mr. McRell the following resolution was ADOPTED-VOTED-RESOLVED to approve the bills on June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 ABSTRACT #11 in the following amounts :

GENERAL

253-278

\$21,798.28

HIGHWAY	204-222	\$15,680.69
LIV MANOR SEWER	96-106	\$161,579.28
LIV MANOR WATER	106-115	\$3,792.22
ROSCOE WATER	105-115	\$3,751.91
ROSCOE SEWER	102-115	\$7,772.28

Town Clerks Report – Discussion Greens keeper chemical licensing

Water & sewer Log & weekend schedule

**ADJOURNMENT** – On a motion of Mrs. Routledge and seconded by Mr. McRell and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:51 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
  
Marinella Di Vita  
  
Town of Rockland  
  
Town Clerk