

REGULAR MEETING of the TOWN OF ROCKLAND was held on August 6th, 2026 at 7:00 PM with the following members:

PRESENT:	SUPERVISOR	ROBERT EGGLETON
	COUNCILPERSON	CHRISTINE ROUTLEDGE
	COUNCILPERSON	ANDREW McRELL
	COUNCILPERSON	FRANCIS WOLCOTT
	COUNCILPERSON	PETER JR DEVANTIER

OTHERS PRESENT: Marinella Di Vita, Town Clerk, Chris Bury, Water and Sewer Superintendent, Roger Decker, Highway Superintendent, Jennifer DeVantier, Water and Sewer Clerk and other members from the public

Pledge of Allegiance

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilperson Routledge and Seconded by Councilperson Wolcott to approve the July 16th, 2026 Minutes

CORRESPONDENCE

- 3rd Annual Turkey Trout 5K & 1-Mile Walk/Run. Last year's race was a big success- had 330 participants and raised over \$27,000 for the Sullivan County Animal Shelter. The race will start at 11am and is on November 28th.
- Thank you to local volunteer agencies such as ambulance and fire department, police, highway employees and a special thank you to Judy Coger for staying with residents at the Presbyterian Church overnight.

Judy Coger asked board if the Town can invest in some cots and blankets in case there's another emergency. All the blankets at the church have been stored away for quite sometime and mice have got into them.

- Manor Ink correction – Old school house is only going to have 14 units and 1 apartment that's what the grant was approved for.

OLD BUSINESS

- Hesse logging can't get financing so bid is going to BAS logging for the same dollar amount

NEW BUSINESS

- Court Clerk Assistant Rehire Valorie Rittendale

RESOLUTION #101 -2025 Valorie Rittendale Rehire

A motion was made by Councilperson Wolcott and seconded by Councilperson Routledge with all in favor to hire Valorie Rittendale as the court clerk assistant. Rehire date is August 6th (same rate of pay as previously)

- Pro-housing Consultant

RESOLUTION #102- 2026 Pro-housing Consultants

A motion was made by Councilperson DeVantier seconded by Councilperson McRell with all in favor to support the consultant services (Alys Mann Consulting) and the town has agreed to pay \$10,000 towards the grant study.

- Budget Modification for RRW

RESOLUTION #103- 2026 Budget Modification RRW

WHEREAS, the 2026 Budget requires modification, now therefore be it RESOLVED, that the RRW Fund entries be authorized

FROM:		TO:	
Fund Balance	- \$13,000	8330.2	- \$13,000
Total:		\$13,000 (propane heaters T Lake and 305 Rockland)	

A motion was made by Councilperson McRell seconded by Councilperson DeVantier with all in favor

- Cottage Street Mobile Home Park Unit #2 - Letter from Plumber and Credit

RESOLUTION #104- 2026- Cottage Street Mobile Home Park Unit #2

A motion was made by Councilperson Routledge seconded by Councilperson McRell with all in favor to credit Cottage Street Mobile Home Park Unit #2 Sewer Act \$2,650.66. The water act will not be credited.

- Water & Sewer Log & Weekend Schedule
- Town Clerk's Report

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Chris Bury – Water and Sewer Superintendent – Dealing with flooding issues at the W/S plant. Had some issues but all is fixed and working properly now.

Roger Decker – Highway Superintendent –About 20 roads were affected by the flooding. Beaverlake needs to be repaired, got 4 bids to choose from. My dept doesn't have the man power

to be able to do this right now so we will have to hire someone to do it. Gary Myers & Triple M came in with almost the same numbers. \$275k is most likely needed to fix everything from just the flood damage so may need some money. Put in for CHIPS reimbursement getting approximately 174k, not really sure when. Were trying to put a price tag on all the damages because if we hit a certain number we may have aid from FEMA if they rule it as a natural disaster. We ordered more riprap and crusher stone. Signs for Campsite road are all ready but may need Local Law to put them up, got to talk to Ken Klein about that. NYSEG took 9 trees down that would of costed at least 5k each to take down. Had some guys help fix the dog park, they worked really hard at that & it's starting to look normal again.

RESOLUTION #105- 2026- Fund balance funds to HWY for Flood Damages

A motion was made by Councilperson Wolcott seconded by Councilperson McRell with all in favor to give the highway department \$275,000 from Fund Balance to fix all the damages from the flooding

RESOLUTION #106- 2026- Gary Myers Excavation Inc

A motion was made by Councilperson Routledge seconded by Councilperson Wolcott with all in favor to hire Gary Myers as the lowest bidder for the Beaver Lake Road project at an estimated cost of \$75,230.00.

Public Comment-

- Questions about FEMA & Town's Flood Insurance
- Problem on Church Street with chickens ripping up neighbors lawns and a no Uturn sign on the town road

APPROVAL OF BILLS

On a motion of Councilperson Routledge and seconded by Councilperson McRell the following resolution was ADOPTED-VOTED-RESOLVED to approve the bills on July 16th, 2026

ABSTRACT #15 in the following amounts :

GENERAL	352-381	\$51,615.59
HIGHWAY	239-257	\$57,150.12
LIV MANOR SEWER	129-141	\$10,295.21
LIV MANOR WATER	143-152	\$6,064.67
ROSCOE WATER	136-146	\$18,802.98
ROSCOE SEWER	151-161	\$5697.53
HAZ	9	\$51.44

EFC

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\$18,802.98

A motion was made by Councilperson DeVantier seconded by Councilperson Wolcott with all in favor to go into executive session at 7:34 PM

A motion was made by Councilperson McRell seconded by Councilperson Routledge with all in favor to come out of executive session at 7:58 PM

ADJOURNMENT – On a motion of Councilperson Routledge and seconded by Councilperson Wolcott and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Marinella Di Vita

Town of Rockland, Town Clerk