

TOWN OF ROSENDALE  
TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING  
DECEMBER 7, 2011

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The meeting was called to order by Supervisor McDonough at 7:30pm at the Rosendale Community Center with the Pledge to the Flag. Supervisor McDonough requested that a moment of silence be observed in commemoration of the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941.

PRESENT: Councilman Robert Gallagher  
Councilwoman Manna Jo Greene  
Councilman Kenneth Hassett  
Councilman Richard Minissali  
Supervisor Patrick McDonough

ALSO PRESENT: Jennifer Metzger, Dpty Supervisor; Ron Parenti, ZBA Chair; Carl Hornbeck, H'way Superintendent; Reta Sorge, Rec. Commission; Jeanne Walsh, Supervisor-elect; Bob Ryan, Councilman-elect; and about 4 additional people.

PUBLIC INPUT: There was no public input.

COMMUNITY EVENTS: Frozendale will be held this Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> from 11am-5pm on Main Street; Town Hall will dispense hot cocoa and mugs from noon until mugs and cocoa are gone. CHEFS dinner will be held at the Rosendale Community Center on Christmas Day serving from 1-3pm, all are invited.

RESIGNATIONS: John McEnrue from the Planning Board; Brian Farmer from the ZBA. Supervisor McDonough explained that Brian Farmer would like to resign from the ZBA and become an alternate ZBA member due to work commitments.

A motion was made by Councilman Minissali; seconded by Councilwoman Greene to accept the resignations of John McEnrue, Planning Board and Brian Farmer, ZBA.

Prior to the vote Ron Parenti requested that the letters of resignation be read since there appeared to be controversy as to whether Mr. McEnrue resigned or just indicated that he would be resigning; it was determined that resigned (e-mail to Supervisor did not have an effective date; was presumed to be date of e-mail).

Roll vote on motion of resignation of John McEnrue and Brian Farmer: 5 Yes.

APPOINTMENTS: Supervisor McDonough stated that he would like to appoint Kelleigh McKenzie, presently an alternate, to fill the position vacated by Brian Farmer on the ZBA; Councilman Hassett objected to making the appointment without consulting Council members or advertising for volunteers; Supervisor McDonough responded that it's been practice to move the alternate up when a vacancy arises and that Kelleigh is highly qualified and dedicated. Councilman Hassett then made a motion to appoint Richard Hermance to the ZBA; seconded by Councilman Gallagher: Roll Vote: Councilman Gallagher, Yes; Councilwoman Greene, No;

Councilman Hassett, Yes; Councilman Minissali, Abstained; Supervisor McDonough, No. Motion did not carry.

Supervisor McDonough made a motion to appoint Kelleigh McKenzie to the ZBA, replacing Brian Farmer, for a term ending 12/31/2012; seconded by Councilwoman Greene. Roll Vote: Councilman Gallagher, No; Councilwoman Greene, Yes; Councilman Hassett, No; Councilman Minissali, Yes; Supervisor McDonough, Yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor McDonough to appoint Tim Morrison to the Planning Board to replace John McEnrue, term ending 12/31/2017; seconded by Councilman Minissali. Roll Vote: 5 Yes.

A motion was made by Supervisor McDonough to appoint Kathy Wade to the Pool Ad Hoc Committee; Naja Kraus, term until 12/31/2012 and Bill Stamm term until 12/31/2011 to the Environmental Commission and Carol Garfinkle to the Board of Assessment Review for a term ending 09/30/2016; seconded by Councilman Minissali. Roll Vote: 5 Yes.

1). ANNOUNCEMENT: The Water/Sewer Commission is still seeking volunteers.

2). JAMES STREET REPAIRS: Highway Superintendent Carl Hornbeck spoke to the Board about re-opening James Street; it has been closed for better than two months, since Hurricane Irene; they have filled and compacted the area and there has been no reappearance of a depression in the last two months; Carl has placed 5 "jersey" barriers along the area as guardrails and they would like to pave the road this week and let sit for a week before opening for normal traffic; the engineer has been and will be consulted regularly and inspections will be done on a daily basis. Carl stated the Town will have to come up with a permanent solution to this problem; the Town will probably have to go out to bid/bond or some other solution; it will be very costly; the repairs are eligible for reimbursement from FEMA but we don't know when that will happen or how much money would be forthcoming.

3). SALT SHED: Carl Hornbeck, Highway Superintendent, up-dated the Board on the progress of construction on the salt shed; concrete blocks were unavailable until today; 10-12 were delivered and more will be coming tomorrow; hopes to have the site ready by the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of December for the fabric construction which will take two (2) days; should be ready for use by the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> week of January.

5). RESOLUTION 12-2011-#1 Authorizing Action in an Emergency for Stormwater Infrastructure in High Falls Park. Carl Hornbeck stated that storm drains in High Falls Park was built in the 1950's and has been deteriorating for some time; it has resulted in a collapse between two houses on Center Road and East Road, eroding under one owner's carport and eroding both properties. Carl will lay a new storm drain 235 feet to the next junction box; he has money in budget to do the work; he wants to contract with Dan's Excavating in Port Ewen to do the work for \$10,000; any liability would fall on him; Mr. Buntzen has worked on the High Falls Water; the total project would be \$16,000 (Carl has ordered enough pipe to do the South Road area in the spring). Carl was asked about the old drain; he responded that it would be cemented shut. Supervisor McDonough asked that Carl weigh-in with Supervisor-elect Jeanne Walsh and Councilman-elect Robert Ryan; they responded that they had no problem with this since it is an

emergency; Councilman Hassett interjected that High Falls Park and Mt. Marion Water Districts (both have same owner) are the only water districts that don't have back-up generators; the Town should mandate they have one; it was also noted that no annual water quality reports are received by the Town and residents said they haven't received them either. Councilwoman Greene gave a pitch for green infrastructure and solar generators stating it would be proactive. Bob Ryan stated that Wallkill Prison installed a major solar system and they've had nothing but problems.

A motion was made by Supervisor McDonough to authorize contracting with Dan's Excavating of Port Ewen, NY for approximately \$10,000 to perform excavating and installation repairs and replacement of stormwater drains in High Falls Water District; the approximate total cost of repairs and replacement being \$16,000; \$6,000 for pipe to be purchased by the Highway Department from Highway Capital Improvements budget line (DA5112.2); seconded by Councilwoman Greene. Roll Vote:

Councilman Gallagher	Yes
Councilwoman Greene	Yes
Councilman Hassett	Yes
Councilman Minissali	Yes
Supervisor McDonough	Yes

4). NEW LOADER FOR HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: Carl Hornbeck, Highway Superintendent, is requesting authorization to purchase after January 1, 2012 a new 2012 JCB-Model #416 Wheel Loader for \$88,532.00 less trade-in of \$17,500.00 on present 1997 60Z Kawasaki Loader and a down payment of \$20,000.00 all funds coming from Capital Reserve Highway and Equipment line item DA5130.2 in yearly payments for 60 months. A brief discussion followed during which the practicality of keeping the old machine came up; Supervisor McDonough said that he would see if any money could be encumbered toward the possibility of keeping the old machine for use at the salt shed. More discussion and the resolution will be addressed next week.

6). STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SERVICES RENEWAL: A resolution will be presented next week to authorize renewal of a contract with Kendell Stormwater Services at a cost of \$3,140.00; Supervisor McDonough stated that the contract is less than last year since some work done last year do not have to be done again this year; Councilwoman Greene asked Carl Hornbeck if the work done was helpful to him and was he pleased with the job being done by Kendell; he responded that he was. It was mentioned that High Falls Park is not covered by the stormwater management law.

7). RESOLUTION: Bus Transportation to Association of Towns Conference in NYC. A brief discussion took place as to whether the Town should contract for bus services to NYC in February; last year each attendee made their own travel arrangements; some took the train, Trailways bus or drove into the City. We have had no inquiries from other towns about sharing the bus; last year we saved a considerable amount of money by those that did not have classes on Wednesday not staying the extra night at the hotel. A resolution will be made next week.

8).RESOLUTION: Meal/Travel Allowance for Association of Towns Conference. A resolution will be presented next week to authorize \$180.00 advance for three (3) days; hotel expenses and conference fees are prepaid by the Town.

9). RESOLUTION: Appointment of Official Delegates to the NYS Association of Towns Training Conference; a resolution will be presented next week. Supervisor-elect Walsh has indicated that she will be attending the sessions and be the delegate; an alternate will be named.

10). RESOLUTION: Appointing a ZBA Alternate. A resolution will be presented next week to name an alternate to the ZBA to replace Kelliagh McKenzie who was moved up to a full member of the ZBA.

11). RESOLUTION: Appointing an alternate person to the Planning Board. A resolution to appoint a replacement for Tim Morrison who became a full member of the Board will be made next week.

Councilwoman Greene asked that an up-date be made to the full Board next week on the status of the Little League ball fields; a copy of the report from Barton and Lojudice related to the sewer studies be provided to all Board members; and a report on the status of dams within the Town. Supervisor McDonough stated that Brinnier and Larios is interested in providing service in addition to C.T. Male in assessing the condition of the dams; it was also pointed out that there are several private dams in the Town in addition to Binnewater Road and Mountain Road.

AUDIT OF BILLS:

GENERAL FUND VOUCHER'S #1014-1064	TOTALING	\$22,852.50
HIGHWAY FUND	" # 291 - 312 "	\$22,159.19
SEWER FUND	" # 186 - 202 "	\$ 4,266.07
WATER FUND	" # 186 - 206 "	\$ 1,105.27
SPEC LIGHTING	" # 34 - 36 "	\$ 2,254.39

A motion was made by Councilman Minissali to pay the bills; seconded by Councilman Gallagher. Roll Vote: 5 Yes.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Greene to adjourn at 8:52pm; seconded by Councilman Hassett. Roll Vote: 5 Yes.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Joan S. Jordan  
Town Clerk