

**TOWN OF ROSENDALE  
TOWN BOARD MEETING  
August 10, 2022**

Supervisor Walsh called the meeting to order at 6:02PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance with a moment of silence for Barbara E. Craig, Berenice Hawver, Ruth Hoffman, Donald J. “DJ” Whitaker, Kenneth “Red” Jensen and Viola M. Morelli.

**Present:**

Supervisor	Jeanne L. Walsh
Councilman	Joseph Havranek
Councilmember	Christopher Pryslopski
Councilmember	Carrie Wykoff

**Via Zoom:** Councilmember Ernest Klepeis

Also Attending: Jill LaFera – Supervisor Assistant, Ken Hassett – Deputy Town Supervisor

**Public Comments:**

**Speakers** – Penny Coleman/Susan Gillespie- Environmental Commission

The Environmental Commission is working on research to complete Bronze Climate Smart Certification and are very close to completion. There will be a need for some more documentation and they will follow up with Town Clerks Office for already filed paperwork, once they have the appropriate dates to review. Supervisor Walsh confirmed some information they are looking for is presently being completed and it may be better to wait and meet with Supervisor to complete the research. There was a question in reference to the Transfer Station and CT MALE Environmental & Civil Engineering that the Supervisor stated is presently on her agenda with the Town Attorney’s Office.

Susan Gillespie wanted to state how they appreciated how involved the Town was and handled the recent outage. Supervisor Walsh was thankful and mentioned the volunteers that helped, as well as during the recent situation being able to utilize the Recreation Center as a cooling station.

**Speaker** – Michelle Vitner- Bluestone Press

Michelle came to introduce herself as the new representative from the Bluestone Press that will be joining in on the next Town Board meetings.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to approve the July Town Board meeting minutes with the amendment to place the voting member’s name after Recused/Abstain for July and all future minutes. Seconded by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE 5 Yes.

**Reports –**

**Councilman Havranek –**

**Police** – They did not have a meeting in July. Stats: incidents 2,923, cases 141, arrests 56 and accidents 65. Staffing remains the same Officer Funccius moved into the 90-day Temporary role, they have received the new patrol vehicle that is now in service and are on the waiting list for a new hybrid vehicle, which may come in Spring of 2023. Training - Sergeant Lewis and Officer Morris attended ICAP (use of force training). Phase 2 cycle training is completed, recognition via Facebook for Officer Wilson assisting a vehicle, Officer Fagerstrom for assisting with dog locked in vehicle and letter in reference to Officer Funccius for action at an accident scene. The Street Festival had no issues and there were many positive comments from the community. The Police Department is looking to replace a printer in the

office. Net income for the Police Department was \$2,139.75 and the next Police Commission meeting will be August 23, 2022 at the RMC building at 3:30PM.

**Water/Sewer** – Water Sewer project updates are not visual all changes are underground. There is a new chlorine line installed and pressure tested, slab for UV structure is completed, two new pump vaults were installed, Ray Pantel will be on site to begin that part of the project next week. People did park at the salt shed with no problems reported. We are working with Dennis Larios for High Falls Water meter bids. Revenue for Sewer \$30,165.57 and Water \$33,022.76. There will not be a High Falls Water Sewer or Rosendale Water Sewer Meeting this month. The next meeting will be October 26, 2022 at 5PM at the Rondout Municipal Building.

**Highway** – There was paving on South Street, Brown Avenue, John Street, and Bradley Avenue and the manholes are on back order. We are working on multiple roads for Chip Sealing next week. The new truck has arrived in NY and next week will be sent for body and plow set up. Unfortunately, we are still down two people. Revenue \$3,683.04.

We will also have an ADA (Americans with Disability Act) meeting scheduled for Thursday, August 25, 2022 at 4PM at the Rondout Municipal Building.

**Councilmember Pryslopski** –

**Environmental Commission** -Their meeting tomorrow at 6:30PM. Also discussed was the tree project for beautification.

**Transfer Station** – The Transfer Station scheduled limited hours for a week due to employee illness/short staff. They are now back to normal schedule. The July Revenue under Bookkeeper Transfer Station Fee Revenue was \$8,802.20 and under Town Clerk Transfer Station Permit Revenue was \$1,940.00.

**Town Clerk** – Revenue for the month of July was \$9,243.08. They are working on contracting a shred company to allow for more room for storage as well as a racking system to better catalog files. They are also discussing with the shred companies for a community shred day.

**Dog Control** – There were 42 licenses sold, \$314.50 to the Supervisor and \$52.00 to Department of Agriculture and Markets.

Reminder of Special Elections on August 23, 2022.

**Councilmember Wykoff** –

**Economic Development** - They did not have a quorum for July and there isn't a meeting for August. Supervisor Walsh, the Chair, and I met to discussing priorities, taking Heart and Soul out of the Economic Development Committee. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 21, 2022 at the Rondout Municipal Building.

**Planning Board** - did not have quorum in July and their next meeting will be August 11, 2022 at 7PM. On the agenda is a site plan review and a site plan amendment.

**RMC** - heat and moisture has been a challenge and are looking into purchasing dehumidifiers for some of the rooms. They are waiting for electrical quotes from TBS and Rycor for updated ductless splits for the Police Department. The Pickle Ball court is up and running. The parking lot crack, seal and striping is completed and the focus is now on the budget for 2023.

**ZBA** – Did not have a meeting in July and the next meeting is scheduled for August 16PM, 2022 at 7PM.

**Building** – Revenue \$6,393.00 with 29 permits issued.

## **Councilmember Klepeis –**

**Youth Program** - Camp is going well. Councilmember Klepeis attended as representative of Town Board to discuss/teach the children about government and voting. The Police and Fire Department were there as well to do activities with the children.

**Recreation** – The pool is doing well with few incidences and a little overwhelmed with the number of residents and non-residents. August 11, 2022 will be a kid's night out. They have an overwhelming response to the swim lesson registrations and will not meet capacity at this point. They will be looking into handling that in the future swim season lessons.

Supervisor Walsh added that the preliminary designs have been received for the fitness court. The first part of pouring the foundation will happen Friday and the second part of the pour will follow. About 30 days after curing the assembly will begin. We have two artist's/photographers Ann Coleman and John Fischer we are working with and we may have a Grand Opening in October.

## **Supervisor Walsh Read Financials**

Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby appoints Jennifer Sturiale to the Environmental Commission term expiring 12/31/**2023**. Seconded by Councilmember Pryslopski. ROLL VOTE 5 Yes.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby appoints Darrell Hamlin to the Environmental Commission term expiring 12/31/**2023**. Seconded by Councilmember Pryslopski. ROLL VOTE 5 Yes.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby appoints Randi Morf to the Planning Board term expiring 12/31/**2028**. Seconded by Councilmember Wykoff. ROLL VOTE 5 Yes. Councilman Havranek and Supervisor Walsh wanted to state Randi Morf has been with the Planning Board for approximately 18-20 years and we are grateful she is continuing with another term as she is a huge asset.

**September 14, 2022, Town Board Meeting amendment of years for ending term corrected for Jennifer Sturiale, Darrell Hamlin, and Randi Morf.**

Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby accepts the resignation of Youth worker Nicholas Plumeri effective 8/12/2022. Seconded by Councilmember Klepeis. ROLL VOTE 5 Yes.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hire Sadie Heagney as a Youth Worker at \$13.20 per hour for no more than 12 hours per week effective 8/22/2022. Seconded by Councilmember Klepeis. ROLL VOTE 5 Yes.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale accepts the donation of \$1,000.00 from Mohonk Preserve to be slated for the Recreation Center. Seconded by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE 5 Yes.

Councilmember Pryslopski made everyone aware that Mohonk Preserve wrote in the letter sent to the Town Supervisor mentioning their Healthy Ulster Pass Program, the Preserve Library Lending Program and reminded all that the Visitor Center is free and open to the public every day. Supervisor Walsh also mentioned they are close to having the new kiosk by the Scenic Byways at 44/55 location completed.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby approves the Eldercare Assistance Committee to assist the Rosendale Library who received a grant for Enhanced Senior Outreach Service. Seconded by Councilmember Klepeis. ROLL VOTE 5 Yes.

**Resolution 08-2022-#1** – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby authorizes the Supervisor to enter into contract with Williamson Law Book Company to provide software, services and training to the Water/Sewer Department. Seconded by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE 5 Yes.

**Resolution 08-2022-#2** – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby established the following standard work days for these title and will report the officials to the New York State and Local Retirement based on their record of activities and made available to the public on the Official Sign Board at the Town Clerks Office. Seconded by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE 5 Yes.

**Resolution 08-2022-#3** – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby authorizes the Supervisor to appoint an Alternate Zoning Board of Appeals member Jeff Miller for a one-year term to expire on 08/10/2023. Seconded by Councilmember Wykoff. ROLL VOTE 5 Yes.

**Resolution 08-2022-#4** – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby approves the reduction of speed from 30MPH to 25MPH on Coutant Road in Tillson and authorizes the Town Clerk to notify the Town of Rosendale Highway Superintendent and to the appropriate paperwork to the New York State Department of Transportation. Seconded by Councilmember Wykoff. ROLL VOTE 4 Yes/1 Recuse-Councilman Havranek.

**Resolution 08-2022-#5** – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby approves the Supervisor to submit the application to be a vendor for the LIHWAP (Low Income Household Water Assistance Program) and to sign any and all documents necessary relating to LIHWAP. Seconded by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE 5 Yes.

**Resolution 08-2022-#6** - Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby authorizes the payment of the balance due to the NYPA (New York Power Authority) for the street light project in the amount of \$90, 872.24 to be paid with unexpended funds from the General Fund. Seconded by Councilmember Pryslopski ROLL VOTE 5 Yes.

**Resolution 08-2022-#7** - Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby authorizes the supervisor to apply for the Ulster County Municipal Water Grant funded through the American Rescue Plan Act for the Water District. Seconded by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE 5 Yes.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the to pay the bills. Seconded by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE 5 Yes.

General Fund	Voucher #s 111-153	\$46,477.33
Highway Fund	Voucher #s 127-159	\$29,486.29
Water Fund	Voucher #s 73- 87	\$28,877.32
Sewer Fund	Voucher #s 76- 86	\$19,425.49
Special Lighting Fund	Voucher #s 3	\$ 3,414.17
RMC Fund	Voucher #s 86-103	\$37,319.25

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to enter into executive session at 7:30PM for the employment of particular persons. Seconded by Councilmember Wykoff. ROLL VOTE 5 Yes. Returned at 9:30PM with no motions made.

Councilmember Pryslopski made a motion at 9:35PM to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Klepeis. ROLL VOTE 5 Yes.

Respectfully Submitted by  
Christine Harrison  
Deputy Town Clerk

