

**TOWN OF ROSENDALE
TOWN BOARD MEETING
June 7, 2023**

Supervisor Walsh called the meeting to order at 7:00P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance with a moment of silence for Anneliese N. Duerr and Matthew J. Liggan.

PRESENT: Supervisor Jeanne L. Walsh
 Councilman Joseph Havranek
 Councilmember Molly Muller
 Councilmember Ashley Sweeney

EXCUSED: Councilmember Carrie Wykoff

ALSO PRESENT: Ken Hassett; Deputy Supervisor, Jill La Fera; Assistant to Supervisor, Joe La Fera; Building Manager.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to hire Gabrielle Baker, Owen Hattenbrun, Grace McArdle, Damon Reed, Dylan Ring, Caroline Steeves, and Alana Florencio-Wain as Temporary Lifeguards at \$15.75 per hour for no more than 40 hours per week from May 31, 2023, to September 1, 2023, Seconded by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 4 Yes.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to hire Paige Baxter, Jill Creegan, Dylan Diallo, Luke Kotsides, Iris Laves, Benjamin McGahan, Clara Samko, Jack Samko and Mackenzie Snair as Temporary Lifeguards at \$16.50 per hour for no more than 40 hours per week from May 31, 2023, to September 1, 2023, Seconded by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL: VOTE 4 Yes.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to hire Braydon Parise as Temporary Recreation Attendant at \$14.20 per hour for no more than 30 hours per week effective June 7, 2023, Seconded by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 4 Yes.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to accept the resignation of Dakoda Wagner effective May 20, 2023, Seconded by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE: 4 Yes.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to accept the resignation of Kyra Vogt effective May 20, 2023, Seconded by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 4 Yes.

Speaker – Bank of Greene County- Jonathan Halligan, Donald MacCormack

Jonathan Halligan reviewed a new investment product similar to checking accounts, securities to guarantee interest rates, matching NYCLASS interest rates, liquidity, and giving back to local communities. The Bank of Greene County gives back to the community it serves and was recently able to give up to \$330,000.00. Councilman Havranek and Councilmember Muller reviewed similar questions asked of NYCLASS. Supervisor Walsh stated she was in support of rescinding the resolution with NYCLASS and making a motion to support working with the Bank of Greene County. But the Supervisor decided she would rather table the decision so that the Town Board members can review the new proposal being offered to vote on at next week's Town Board Meeting.

Speaker – Kai Lord-Farmer Ulster County Housing Smart Communities

Kai represented the Ulster County Housing Smart Communities Initiative with a power point producing information for the housing action plan and scope of work. Kai discussed the rising housing costs and rental costs, lack of diverse housing opportunities for community members, construction of affordable housing, short term rental, vacation homes, grants, and the process for the municipalities to choose from the list of steps to join the Ulster County Housing Smart Communities Initiative.

Review- Housing Smart Communities Initiative

Supervisor Walsh and the Town Board had multiple questions to review with Kai. Councilmember Havranek brought up twenty years ago the crisis dealing with SEQRA (State Environmental Quality Review Act), which assesses the sequence of a projects making a positive or negative impact on the environment. The duality of now saying lets encourage housing and SPRAWL, which is a low-density development of large plots of land that takes place over a large area is cause for concerns and questions. The Supervisor stated with one of the suggestions for building accessory apartments will there be issues with the Health Department and Code changes. The short-term rentals and accessory apartments are what brought things to the community. Since the Town doesn't have any hotels in Rosendale, this helped the economy with ecotourism. Councilmember Havranek stated the question now is what do the people want quality of life, ecotourism, or housing rates. The Supervisor stated the town wants what the people want and the town should have a look at improving with programs and grants. The Town Board agreed to table the resolution for the July Town Board meeting, so more information could be researched.

Speaker-Billy Liggan-Rosendale Street Festival Site Plan

There was discussion of liability and stages on private property that will need to be sure they are covered and listed on insurance documents along with the Town of Rosendale. Billy mentioned working with Chief Schaffrick for any incidents during the Street Festival. Billy mentioned a letter from the Town of Rosendale will be needed to forward to the New York State Department of Transportation to shut down the main road.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town board of the Town of Rosendale approve the Street Festival site plan contingent on receiving the appropriate insurance documents and approval from Chief Schaffrick. Seconded by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE 4 Yes.

Speaker-Ariana Bosco- Barning Man Site Plan

Ariana stated it's the third year in a row at Stone Mountain Farm for this event. They brought their application fee and have the approval letter from Stone Mountain Farm, notified all necessary departments, and received their approvals, as well as Ulster County Department of Health. The event encourages carpooling so there's not a lot of traffic. Supervisor Walsh made mention of the campfires and being extra cautious with having something available to put the fires out with, due to the dryness. Deputy Town Clerk mentioned the Fire Marshal did review with Ariana the necessary measurements for the campfires being 2 foot in diameter and 10 feet apart.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to approve the Barning Man event July 7th & 8th of 2023, Seconded by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE; 4 Yes.

Speaker-April Amodei-Parks & Trails Cyclists

April spoke about the cyclists being on the trails and the original number of attending went from 350 to 300. The riders will begin in Kingston and after breakfast will be on their route. The route will go from Kingston Wallkill Trail to New Paltz and then over the Poughkeepsie Walkway. Chief Schaffrick reviewed the crossroads in Rosendale and approved the route saying it will not impede traffic nor will it need the Police Department to help. Deputy Town Clerk mentioned one concern Chief Schaffrick suggested that there be someone placed at the Breezy Hill crossroad to direct cyclists. Ulster County will follow-up with the event contact to let them know if there is anything impeding the trail ride such as a tree down.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale approve the Parks & Trails Cyclist event for August 2, 2023, Seconded by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 4 Yes.

Speaker-Superintendent Robert Gallagher RE: 284 Agreement

Bob Gallagher discussed section 284 of the Highway Law reviewing monies levied and collected in the Town received from the State of New York for State Aid be set aside for general repairs as well as monies also received from CHIPS, PAVE NY, EWR and POP for their New York and Federal Road program for permanent improvements. Robert reviewed the upcoming reparation schedule, roads being worked on and working with Marbletown.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to sign the agreement for the expenditures of highway monies to the Town of Rosendale Highway Department for the Highway Superintendent, Seconded by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE: 4 Yes.

Review – Green Purchasing - Tabled for another meeting.

Resolutions 5-2023-#1 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby appoints Alan Krassowski as Alternate to the Town of Rosendale Zoning Board of Appeals, to serve in the absence or recusal of regular member, for a one-year term ending June 7, 2024, Seconded by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 4 Yes.

Resolutions 5-2023-#2 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale authorizes the Supervisor to sign the amended #1 of Contract #2022-00000618 on behalf of the Town of Rosendale to the DWI Crackdown Enforcement Agreement to increase the annexed amount not-to-exceed \$1,474.00, Seconded by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE: 4 Yes.

Resolutions 5-2023-#3 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale authorizes the Supervisor to sign a one-year agreement with PestMaster, Inc. for monthly maintenance and this resolution be effective upon its passage by both Town Board of Rosendale and Town Board of Marbletown, Seconded by Councilmember Muller. ROLL VOTE: 4 Yes.

Review - Replacement Cost of Poles at Recreation Center

Supervisor Walsh brought up the recent applications submitted for two grants to help with improvements at the Recreation Center. NYPA (New York Power Authority) is willing to include the installation of the new poles and lights at the baseball field under the contract we presently have for a total of \$65,916.00. We did receive a second quote for \$165,000.00 plus \$99,895.00. The lights will be similar to the ones used at the basketball court. They should be able to install the new sign at the same time as the poles and lights. They will review this again and a resolution will need to be done.

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

AUDIT OF BILLS:

GENERAL FUND	ABSTRACT 5	VOUCHER #259-288	\$ 19,088.48
HIGHWAY FUND	ABSTRACT 5	VOUCHER #91-105	\$ 31,660.70
WATER FUND	ABSTRACT 5	VOUCHER #52 -54	\$ 8,777.04
SEWER FUND	ABSTRACT 5	VOUCHER #79 - 85	\$ 13,647.64

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to adjourn at 9:55PM. Seconded by Councilmember Sweeney; ROLL VOTE 4 Yes.

Respectfully Submitted by

Christine Harrison
Deputy Town Clerk