TOWN OF ROSENDALE TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING APRIL 2, 2025

Supervisor Walsh opened the meeting at 6:00 PM followed by the pledge of allegiance. A moment of silence was observed for Berenice FitzGerald and Glenn Bell.

**Present**: Supervisor Jeanne L. Walsh

Councilmember Ashley Sweeney
Councilman Marc Cassidy
Councilman Joseph Havranek
Councilmember Carrie Wykoff

<u>Also Present</u>: Kenneth Hasset; Deputy Supervisor, Jill La Fera; Assistant to the Supervisor and Joe La Fera; RMC Building Manager.

# **Public Input/Community Events**

The Mana Café is opening on Monday April 7, 2025. It will be open 6:00 AM – 4:00 PM. Plant and Seed Swap is April 6<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM and the Recreation Center being put on by the Rosendale Recreation Commission and Environmental Commission. The new playground is being installed and should take around 1 week to install.

### Correspondence

EMS proposal was discussed.

### Speaker

David Delardi; resident – discussed plans for Veteran's Park to volunteer time, planting and upkeep. He was asked to speak the Rosendale/Tillson American Legion Post 1219 as that is their park.

# **Motions**

Councilman Cassidy made a motion to accept the donation from David Delardi with approval from the Rosendale/Tillson American Legion Post 1219 and donation of mulch from Hidden Valley Lake Farm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Havranek.

ROLL VOTE: Councilmember Wykoff: YES

Councilmember Sweeney: YES
Councilman Havranek: YES
Councilman Cassidy: YES
Supervisor Walsh: Recuse

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to set a Public Hearing for Charter Communications Agreement Franchise Renewal on May 7, 2025, at 6:00 PM, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

# **Other Business**

A discussion took place about Heart and Soul advertising events that are not running and misinformation about being involved with these events.

Deputy Supervisor Kenneth Hassett attended the Bloomington Fire Company award ceremony. 62 Pride of Rosendale awards were given, and Joseph Hafner was acknowledged for his 70 years of service with the company.

### **Appointments/Resignations**

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to hire Evan Norman as Police Officer for 40 hours per week at \$29.10 per hour effective 4/2/2025, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to hire Aimee Bassett as Police Officer for 40 hour per week at \$29.10 per hour effective 4/2/2025, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to accept the resignation of William Moylan from the Water and Sewer Commission effective 3/31/2025, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to appoint Ken Smith to the Rosendale Water and Sewer Commission with a term expiring 12/31/30, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to appoint Michael W. Moylan to the Rosendale Water & Sewer Commission with a term expiring 12/31/2027, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

### Resolutions

**4-2025-#1** – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale authorizes the Supervisor to sign an agreement with the Rosendale Rapids Swim Team for the 2025 season, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

**4-2025-#2** – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sign the agreement between the Town of

Rosendale and the Workplace EAP of Westchester Medical Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Wykoff. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

**4-2025-#3** – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sign the annual software support contract for payroll with Williamson Law Book Company for \$2,225.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Wykoff. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

**4-2025-#4** – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale extend local law #6 of 20245, camp moratorium until July 11, 2025, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Cassidy. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

**4-2025-#5** – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town of Rosendale authorizes the Supervisor to sign the agreement with Debbie Lan to hold five Song Club classes at the Rosendale Recreation Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Sweeney.

ROLL VOTE: Councilmember Wykoff: YES

Councilmember Sweeney: YES
Councilman Havranek: NO
Councilman Cassidy: YES
Supervisor Walsh: YES

**4-2025-#6** – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale authorizes the Supervisor to sign the agreement with Campbell & Son's Lawn Maintenance for Rosendale Plains Cemetery, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

**04-2025-#7** – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale to send a letter for the reduction of the speed limit on State Route 32 in Rosendale. The Town of Rosendale Chief of Police has made a formal recommendation for a reduction in the speed limit on State Route 32 within the Town of Rosendale, specifically in the area beginning at the intersection of State Route 32 and Grove Street to Madeline Lane. Given the significant increase in both vehicular and pedestrian traffic in this area he is proposing that the speed limit be reduced from 55 mph to 40 mph to enhance public safety and mitigate potential hazards; and additionally the Chief has recommended that the speed limit on State Route 32 from Madeline Lane through Washington Avenue and the Fann's Plaza be further reduced to 30 mph to ensure the safety of residents and businesses operating in that corridor. The speed limit should then be increased to 40 mph before gradually returning to 55 mph at Cornell Street. Town Board of the Town of Rosendale

directs the Town Clerk to send this resolution and letter to New York State Department of Transportation Deputy Regional Director Nikhil Natarajan, Ulster County Transportation Council, Senator Michelle Hinchey and Assemblywoman Sarahana Shrestha to request a reduced speed limit of 40 mph and 30 mph, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Cassidy.

ROLL VOTE: Councilmember Wykoff: YES

Councilmember Sweeney: YES
Councilman Havranek: Recuse
Councilman Cassidy: YES
Supervisor Walsh YES

**4-2025-#8** – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale authorizes the Supervisor to enter an agreement with Masseo Landscaping Inc. For Community Center Playground edging, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

### Audit of bills

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to audit the bills, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

GENERAL FUND	ABSTRACT	4	VOUCHER#	110 – 145	\$24,917.47
HIGHWAY FUND	ABSTRACT	4	VOUCHER#	40 – 58	\$16,063.83
SEWER FUND	ABSTRACT	4	VOUCHER#	35 – 42	\$973.13
WATER FUND	ABSTRACT	4	VOUCHER#	32 – 42	\$2,137.15
RMC FUND	ABSTRACT	4	VOUCHER#	54 – 59	\$7,234.94
SPECIAL LIGHTING	ABSTRACT	4	VOUCHER	4	\$703.94

### **Executive Session**

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to enter executive session at 6:52 PM for medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person/corporation, or matters leading to said dismissal, removal, promotion, appointment, employment, discipline, demotion or suspension, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilmember Wykoff. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES. Returned at 7:32 PM with no motions made.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to adjourn at 7:34 PM, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Cassidy. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Respectfully Submitted, Mandy Donald Town Clerk