

*Town of Rutland
Regular Monthly Board Meeting
February 9th 2023*

The regular monthly board meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Supervisor Gary Eddy followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members present were Logan Eddy, Jennifer Bossuot, Les Berghorn and Ken Gleason.

PUBLIC FORUM:

None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

New Leaf Representative David spoke about a new Wind Turbine on Staplin road and how much it would benefit the residents.

Reuben Peachy on archer road spoke about variance for new home.

Board would like to see a report on incidents that happen in Highway dept. Claude said he would email when accidents occur and put on monthly report.

ATTORNEY: Absent.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT:

The Hwy Superintendent report was presented and read by Claude Phelps. Gary Clark was Safety Officer this period. Highway Department has been stricken with COVID and multiple flu and respiratory illnesses in the past few weeks. They are working through them and most are recovering and slowly returning to work. Randy Gould has returned to the day crew while William Nelson has been moved to the night shift to finish his training and learn the plowing policies and procedures for the night shift. Deputy Hwy Superintendent Larry Overton is currently out with COVID so we will need to table his compensation meeting and the swearing in of the new position to next month. Hwy Department will continue Snow and ice operations this month.

Les Berghorn asked how many Hwy Employee's we have now. Claude said we now have six full MEOS, two seasonal and four part time. Claude would like to speak with Les Berghorn about Human Resources. Les Berghorn stated we dont have to table to vote on compensation for Larry Overton for next month.

A motion was made 1st by Ken Gleason and 2nd by Jennifer Bossuot to pay Compensation of a \$1.00 more an hour above Union rate Deputy Hwy Superintendent Larry Overton.

Aye: Ken Gleason, Jennifer Eddy, Logan Eddy, Les Berghorn and Gary Eddy. Motion Carried.

ASSESSOR: Not present and no report given.

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ZONING:

Report was provided by James Harter. During the month of January he received two Zoning Permit Applications. He was able to issue one of them. The other application that he received was denied based on insufficient road frontage. Permit issued to Scott Emerson for ground mounted solar array. And permit denied for Reuben Peachey for new home construction. Also during the month January I issued one new Zoning Violation Kristen Larsen on Rt.69 for unregistered motor vehicle. In addition to actions stated. He prepared information for the ZBA for the upcoming appeals case for Reuben Peachey, regarding the denied Zoning application and need for a 15 foot variance.

MS4: No Report.

TOWN CLERK:

Motion made 1st by Ken Gleason and 2nd by Jennifer Bossout to dispense with the reading minutes for January, 12th 2023 with spelling corrections and wording corrected and request from Logan Eddy to proof read minutes before meeting.

Ayes: Ken Gleason, Jennifer Bossuot, Logan Eddy, Les Berghorn and Gary Eddy. Motion carried.

Motion made 1st by Les Berghorn and 2nd by Ken Gleason to approve paying abstract #2 (23-00037 thru 23-0085 in the amount of \$106,150.97.

Ayes: Ken Gleason, Les Berghorn, Jennifer Bossuot, Logan Eddy and Gary Eddy. Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

The Supervisor's Report was read by the Clerk to the Supervisor, Donna Martel.

Motion made 1st by Ken Gleason and 2nd by Logan Eddy to approve the Supervisor's report.

Ayes: Ken Gleason, Les Berghorn, Jennifer Bossuot, Logan Eddy and Gary Eddy. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

A Motion was made by 1st by Logan Eddy and 2nd by Les Berghorn to approve Resolution No.2023-3 they audit of the Judges books for 2022.

Vote by Roll Call: Ken Gleason, Jennifer Bossuot, Logan Eddy, Les Berghorn and Gary Eddy Motion Carried.

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Motion made 1st by Logan Eddy and 2nd by Les Berghorn to deposit an additional \$200,000.00 from General A fund balance to the Capital Reserve account.

Ayes: Ken Gleason, Jennifer Bossuot, Logan Eddy, Les Berghorn and Gary Eddy. Motion carried

Motion 1st Jennifer Bossuot and 2nd Ken Gleason to move to deposit an additional \$47,500.00 from Water Districts fund balance to the Repair/Maintenance Reserve account.

Ayes: Ken Gleason, Jennifer Bossuot, Logan Eddy, Les Berghorn and Gary Eddy. Motion carried.

Motion made by 1st Les Berghorn 2nd by Logan Eddy to deposit an additional \$150,000.00 from Hwy DA fund's fund balance to the Equipment Reserve account.

Ayes: Ken Gleason, Logan Eddy, Jennifer Bossuot, Les Berghorn and Gary Eddy. Motion carried.

Motion made 1st by Logan Eddy 2nd by Jennifer Bossuot to take \$50,000.00 from Ice and and move into the

Motion made 1st by Jennifer Bossuot 2nd by Logan Eddy to have a spring clean-up with date to be determined later.

Ayes: Ken Gleason, Logan Eddy, Jennifer Bossuot, Les Berghorn and Gary Eddy. Motion carried.

Motion made 1st by Les Berghorn and 2nd by Jennifer Bossuot to the adjourn meeting at 9:38pm.

Ayes: Ken Gleason, Les Berghorn, Jennifer Bossuot, Logan Eddy and Gary Eddy. Motion carried.

Submitted By,

**Samantha E. Sawyer
Town Clerk**