

ROMULUS TOWN BOARD MEETING
January 20, 2016

Call to Order: The Romulus Town Board Meeting was called to order by Supervisor David Kaiser at 7:30 PM.

Roll Call:	Supervisor David Kaiser	Present
	Councilman Michael Joslyn	Present
	Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.	Absent
	Councilwoman Theresa Jackson	Present
	Councilman Kyle Collinsworth	Present

Others Present: Town Clerk, Marjorie Van Hyning
 Planning Board Chairperson, Tom Bouchard
 Planning Board Vice, Chairperson, William Karlsen
 Zoning Board Member, Barbara McCall
 Highway Superintendent, Daryl Morrell
 Town Attorney, Steven Getman
 Attorney, Pat Morrell
 FL Community Paper Reporter, Anita Glover
 Residents 11

Pledge of allegiance: followed by moment of silence. Supervisor Kaiser asked that we keep in our thoughts and prayers, Linda Holley.

Petitioners to the Board:

- a. Helen Dunlap – Representing the Tobacco Action Coalition of the Finger Lakes. She spoke on Second Hand smoke and how it affects people in different walks of life. She said that her group is close to the STEPS Project. Her group is also trying to get smoke free parks along with around your building where you work. A lot of the people may not be smoking regular cigarettes anymore but have switched to electronic cigarettes.
There is a huge increase in the county using tobacco now, approximately 24 %.
The main concern with this group is lung health.
- b. Diane Potter, Representing the prohibiting of White Deer hunting. Has been working on protection for the white deer in Seneca County. We will see how far I get and hope to get a positive outcome.
Supervisor Kaiser said that Diane is lobbying the legislature to prohibit hunting of the White Deer.

Approval of Minutes:

December 16, 2015
Motioned by: Councilman Mike Joslyn
Seconded by: Councilwoman Theresa Jackson
Carried Unanimously

Closeout, December 28, 2015

Motioned by: Councilman Kyle Collinworth

Seconded by: Councilwoman Theresa Jackson

Carried Unanimously

Reorganization Meeting 1/4/2016

Motioned by: Councilman Kyle Collinworth

Seconded by: Councilman Mike Joslyn

Carried Unanimously

Communications:

- a. Special Event Invitation – From Stefan Fleming – Attached

Code Enforcement Officer

- a. No report this month

Romulus Planning board

- a. Seneca County Planning board agenda – January 14, 2016
- b. Seneca County Planning Board Meeting – December 10, 2015
- c. Town of Romulus Planning Board Minutes – December 7, 2015

Mr. Bouchard reported that the Planning Board has had a very busy agenda.

We have 3 special use permits pending and a couple of possible sub division requests pending. One of the problems lately is we are not getting the special use permits to the Board in a timely manner so we don't have the time to review them. We are putting on the website that they need to be put in 3 weeks before the meeting.

We also discussed having a place for the Planning Board to have maybe an office set up that we could have individual mailing set up. The old copier room down the hallway is a possibility.

We are possibly going to have a survey of the Hamlet for a residential area for livestock.

We are looking in getting more information on the Solar Regulations.

I will be drafting a letter to Senator Nucci on the Lake Shore Property.

Deputy Smith from WDTC passed the letter on up to someone higher as it would be his job to handle the Lake Shore Property. Mr. Bouchard will have a letter to him at the next board meeting.

It is disturbing to think about the white deer being outside the fence. It needs to be addressed. The deer need to be on the inside and it will need to be managed so that tourist could come inside and visit them. This would allow that road to be opened up.

Mr. Bouchard suggested that Supervisor Kaiser speak to Mr. Aaronson to have a voice be on the Review Board.

Highway Report – Superintendent Morrell reported that we should be getting the new truck soon.

There has been very little plowing this winter so far.

Councilman Collinworth stated that that Mr. Morrell is doing a good job.

Mr. Morrell has received a Shared Service Agreement for emergency Assistance.

It will be Resolution #09-16 if approved.

Dog Control Officer – Possibility of dog census.

Bookkeeper Report – Attached

Tax Collector – All sent out and being returned quickly.

Supervisor

- a. Fee Schedule for Ambulance Corp. for the 2015 contract. Couple of fees that are new. We have the contract this evening to vote on. Resolution #08-16.
- b. Paul Wagner – Auditor for Court – Will wait to February
- c. Dog Census – We would like to do a dog census. We have no idea if the dogs have had their rabies shots without applying for a license. I would like to board to consider taking a dog census in Romulus.
- d. Councilman Collinsworth having problem with dog pooping in the yard.

Motion made by Councilman Kyle Collinsworth to go into executive session at 8:25 PM.

Seconded by Councilwoman Theresa Jackson

Carried Unanimously.

Come out of executive session at 8:45 PM.

Motioned by Councilman Kyle Collinsworth

Seconded by Councilwoman Theresa Jackson

Carried Unanimously

Old Business: Present Resolution Proposal for Public Law on Sidewalks #07-16

New Business: Mr. Getman, Town Attorney addressed the Board – “I would like to thank the Town but as mentioned tonight it’s because I am now the Schuyler County Attorney full time. I am submitting my resignation and asking the Town of Romulus to appoint a new Attorney, Patrick J. Morrell, Esq., Seneca Falls, NY.”

“Supervisor Kaiser Said, “on behalf of The Town of Romulus, I would like to thank you for your years of service and will regretfully accept the discontinuation of your contract.”

With that I would like to propose the services of Pat Morrell, who is with us tonight, to continue on to work as our town attorney. I would like to put a resolution on the table tonight to appoint him under contract on the same terms that we had for Mr. Getman.

William Karlsen asked to speak. “I mentioned this back in November, 2015, but with elections and budgets and all that, I would like to readdress this issue. Last October Finger Lakes Times, in transfers, had a tax parcel, owned by Michelle Sanders and sold to the Finger Lakes Land Trust.”

The assessment on that property contingent to Blue Heron Point, Rte 89, is \$630,000.00. It was bought by the Finger Lakes Land Trust and removed from the tax rolls. When these properties get bought up by these entities as a land trust, is there any requirement procedurally that the town tax jurisdiction need to be notified. Attorney Morrell will look into it.

There are 2000 acres on the Depot that Mr. Hayssen from the Town of Varick wants for the white deer only. No one can buy that land.

Resolutions:

06-16 Verification of Payables

Motioned by: Councilman Kyle Collinworth

Seconded by: Councilman Mike Joslyn

Carried Unanimously

07-16 Authorize Town Clerk to Advertise Introducing Proposed Law No. A of the Year 2016 at a Public Hearing

Motioned by: Councilman Michael Joslyn

Seconded by: Councilwoman Theresa Jackson

Carried Unanimously

08-16 Authorize supervisor to Sign Ambulance Contract

Motioned by: Councilman Kyle Collinworth

Seconded by: Councilman Michael Joslyn

Carried Unanimously

Roll Call:	Councilman Joslyn	Yea
	Councilman Walborn, Jr.	Absent
	Councilwoman Jackson	Yea
	Councilman Collinworth	Yea
	Supervisor Kaiser	Yea

09-16 Authorize a Shared Services Agreement with New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) for Shared Services – Highway Department

Motioned by: Councilman Kyle Collinworth

Seconded by: Councilman Michael Joslyn

Carried Unanimously

10-16 Accept resignation of Attorney Steven Getman and Appoint Attorney Patrick Morrell in his place.

Motioned by: Councilman Kyle Collinworth

Seconded by: Councilwoman Theresa Jackson

Carried Unanimously

Town Clerk's Report

a. December 16, 2016

Motioned by: Councilman Kyle Collinworth

Seconded by: Councilman Michael Joslyn

Carried Unanimously

Adjournment:

Motioned by: Councilman Kyle Collinworth

Seconded by: Councilman Michael Joslyn

Carried Unanimously

