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**REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
JULY 16, 2009**

Call to Order: The regular Town Board Meeting was called to order by Supervisor David Kaiser at 1:00 PM.

Roll Call:	Supervisor David Kaiser	Present
	Councilman Robert Gerlach	Present
	Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.	Absent
	Councilwoman Barbara McCall	Present
	Councilman Kyle Collinsworth	Present

Others Present:	Town Clerk, Terry Smith	Present
	Code Enforcement Officer – David Hayes	Absent
	Planning Board Chairman – Barry Roach	Present
	Highway Superintendent – Jim Williamson	Present
	Dog Control Officer – Aaron Covert	Absent
	Acting Water Commissioner – Robert Stapleton	Absent
	Residents 2	

Pledge of Allegiance: followed by moment of silence. Councilman Gerlach asked that we keep Kathy Greule in our prayers and Supervisor Kaiser asked also that we keep Jack Holley in our prayers as well.

Approval of Minutes:

- a. June 17, 2009 Regular Town Board Meeting
Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall
Carried Unanimously

Petitioner to the Board:

Denise Giroux asked permission to address the Board regarding the Route 89 Water Project. “ The issue of water is important to the people on that Highway. The opportunity is here and I truly believe there is a small window of opportunity that exists now. The reason being, we don’t know how much government funds there is to support this. Things are rapidly changing and this window is rapidly changing now. Last night at the informational meeting, and this is what make America great, there were people who opposed it and people who were for it. There was a small group last night that did oppose this and a group who did not show up that were in favor of this water project (shame on them). My understanding that from last night to this morning that there was a change and now solves the problem, at least in my mind, of those folks that are particularly against this project. That section of the water line is now taken off the big picture of where the line would run.” Supervisor Kaiser said he would address all of this

in his speech later in the meeting. Ms. Giroux said, “my understanding is that all that would be financially affected by this have every opportunity to vote yes or no. That is what I am asking is that the Board, as soon as possible, hopefully today simply proceed with having a public hearing so that everybody has the opportunity to voice pros and cons and proceed with this process. Lakes and waterways all over this country are going to be more affected by EPA rules. There are going to be more stringent requirements and a number a waterways in this area have the potential of not even passing the current regulations. One of the main concerns at the meeting Wednesday evening was sewers. Without water, the people currently using the wells or lake water are going to find themselves sooner or later in a jam. We are going to be facing a dilemma, where the window of opportunity has come and gone, that there is no more government funding whatever the case is. The Board will be facing the people here saying what are we going to be doing about the lake? Please put this to a vote and let us not loose this opportunity.

Communications to be filed:

- a. Bishop Sheen Housing Foundation – Attached Annual Letter
- b. Seneca County Sheriff Office – Attached - Keeping us updated on what is happening at this end of the County.
- c. New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
- d. Town of Varick Administration Agreement – Wish to discontinue their Joint District with us.
- e. Town of Romulus Rt. 89 Responses – 2 letter attached

Assessor’s Report – None this month

Code Enforcement Officer – Permits issued

- i. #15-09 2828 Vineyard Rd. New Building, Addition, Acces. Structure
- ii. #16-09 2890 Stout Road, Family Home, Barn, Machinery Shed
- iii. #17-09 1657 Rte 96A, Agricultural Storage Shed
- iv. #18-09 5820 W. Kendaia Spur, 18 ft. Round by 52” High Pool
- v. #19-09 7025 Wyers Point Beach Road, New Single Family Residence
- vi. #20-09 6441 Rte 96A, Cow Barn

Romulus Planning Board

- a. Docks and Moorings Steering Committee Special Meeting, Training Sessions 5 towns were involved in this training. This does not affect taxes.
- b. American Planning Association Waterfront Award – Given by the American Planning Association recognizing the Waterfront Redevelopment Div. The state will not give us this land if it has a boat launch on it. The state still owns this property.
- c. Dog Regulation Draft – Cannot act on this today. This document does not have the lawyers recommendations in it. Mickie Sanders-Jauquet had a

committee of 15 people checking into all these requirements. The committee will be conferring with Attorney Getman on all the requirements and bring back a draft next month.

Romulus Zoning Board – Nothing this month.

Highway Superintendent

a. Monthly Report Attached

Showed some pictures of the road work on Stout Rd and Cayuga Lake Rd. I would like to do Cherry Hill Road in Romulus and Yerkes Rd from Route 414 . That is a very bad section around there. The Depot Road also needs some attention near the Village Line and the County Section. Mr. Williamson will call in AM to get the Roller in the auction for Old Farm Days

Dog Control Officer – Nothing this month

Water Commissioner

- a. Report on class attended by Robert Stapleton and Ken Kline
- b. Monthly Report

Historical Society

- a. Meeting Minutes June 18, 2009

Main Office

- a. Bookkeeper Monthly Report - Attached

Supervisor

Supervisor Kaiser wanted to speak a little bit about the Route 89 Water District situation. There were split feels on both sides of the project. Mr. Ricci, Attorney, to answer questions and present the legalities to the people. Mr. Buhl, the engineer, our Route 89 Chairman, Ken Reimer, Councilwoman Mrs. McCall, and myself were also in attendance. We laid out the process. Originally, we thought we could ask the Board to set a Public Hearing to move this forward. According to Mr. Ricci, the Town Board cannot act on the issue of scheduling a public hearing until we have our “orders”. That is a legal term for the documents in place for us to act on. The documents as we found, are not ready as they are now. The reports that were done by Mr. Buhl, the engineer, and the joint project of Romulus and Varick together have to be legally separated so that the Board is presented with the “orders” for the Romulus Project without Varick in it. In the form it is now, it would not be legal for us to act on this today. This gives the supporters of the project an opportunity to redraw the lines to cut out a large percent of the voters who seem to be against it. Hopefully, that will be accomplished, the reports will be split up and we will be able to act on that and presented to the Board next month. That would be the soonest the Town Board would be able to schedule a Public Hearing.

Committees Report – No meeting with WDTC has been Scheduled. A new Superintendent is being appointed . Meeting will be scheduled then.

Old Business - None

New Business - None

Resolutions:

#54-09 Sell Surplus 3 Wheeled 1964 Gailon Roller

Motioned: Councilman Kyle Collinworth

Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall

Carried Unanimously

#55-09 Adopt Seneca County Hazard Mitigation Plan

Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall

Carried Unanimously

Roll Call:	Councilman Robert Gerlach	Yea
	Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.	Absent
	Councilwoman Barbara McCall	Yea
	Councilman Kyle Collinworth	Yea
	Supervisor David Kaiser	Yea

#56-09 Authorize Supervisor to Contract the Services of Bernard P. Donegan Firm

Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall

Carried Unanimously

#57-09 Budget Transfers – Appropriations

Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall

Carried Unanimously

#58-09 Authorize Romulus Court to Apply for Grant

Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Seconded: Councilman Kyle Collinworth

Carried Unanimously

#59-09 Request for Private Audits

Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Seconded: Councilman Kyle Collinworth

Carried Unanimously

#60-09 Proposed Schedule for Budget Workshops and Public Hearings

Motioned : Councilman Kyle Collinsworth
Seconded: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Carried Unanimously

#61-09 Romulus/Varick Summer Recreation Program
Motioned: Councilman Kyle Collinsworth
Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall
Carried Unanimously

Town Clerk Report:

a. Thirsty Owl Renewal of License for Winery
b. Monthly Report
Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall
Carried Unanimously

Meeting adjourned: Next meeting August 19, 2009 at 7:30 PM.

Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall
Carried Unanimously