

**Regular Town Board Meeting  
February 19, 2003**

**Call to order at 7:30 p.m.** by Supervisor Raymond Zajac

**Present Roll Call:** Councilman William Ritchie  
Councilman David Kaiser  
Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Supervisor Raymond Zajac

**Others present:** Town Clerk Terry Smith  
Water Commissioner Jack Holley  
Highway Superintendent Jim Williamson  
Zoning Code Enforcement Officer Lee Hoaglan  
Planning Board Chair Walter Mittermeyer  
Ovid Gazette reporter Neil Chaffee  
Planning Board Candidate Tom Bouchard

**Pledge of Allegiance, followed by moment of silence.**

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motioned by: Councilman David Kaiser  
Seconded by: Councilman William Ritchie

**Communications to be Filed:** No report provided.

**Code Enforcement Officer's Report:** See attached report.

**Planning Board Report:** See attached.

Tom Bouchard has been appointed to the Planning Board

**Tax Collector's Report:** Filed.

**Highway Superintendent's Report:** See attached.

**Dog Control Officer's Report:** See attached.

Cindy Ferris will be taking all the strays starting March 1, 2003. Dog houses and equipment will be provided.

**Assessor's Report:** No report provided.

**Water Commissioner's Report:**

There was a water break in Willard which lasted 2 days because of the ice. We thought there was a leak on the Gilbert Road, but could not find any. We are monitoring this spot. We are having problems at Spring Meadows with the water meters. They are freezing up and breaking. The first time we are fixing but from then on it will be the renter's responsibility to make sure they do not freeze. We are trying to purchase a smaller truck with more mileage. Looking at a Chevy S-10 and possibly getting a better backhoe. The will pay 50% and the county will pay 50%. It will be in the Town's name.

As the Depot continues to grow, the need for better equipment makes it necessary to purchase more. We are looking to replace quite a bit of line at the Depot. A trailer will also be purchased for the backhoe. Pricing is being considered on State Bid and as well as outside sources. Need to check into mandated security for the water plant such as door alarms and fire system.

**Bookkeeper's Report:** See attached

**Supervisor's Report:**

I will be meeting with Mr. Kaufman regarding the heating system in the morning. We need to do something. Mr. Kaufman will give us a proposal and I will get back to the board. The health Board in Ovid is closing their building and will be holding their meetings in our Town Building on the third Wednesday at 4 PM and will not interfere with the Town of Romulus Town Board meeting in the evening. I met today with Bob Gerlach and Bill Ritchie to form a new committee regarding handicap provisions and equipment upgrade. The committee will be getting prices and checking on workers to do the job. Zeke in our water department said he would help with the work since he is a carpenter. The State Troopers are moving to the Airfield at the Depot and the Office of Aging is being offered the office space. Instead of asking for rent, we would ask to contribute toward the cost of handicap updates. We are mandated by law to comply with regulations or we will lose our aid. We will also write to Sen. Kolb and Sen. Nozzolio for monies.

**Committees Reports:** See Attached.

Bob Gerlach spoke to Dep. Bogan at the Willard D.T.C. and she made a suggestion that the workers that are sent over here from Willard might get some kind of recognition for all the work they do in the form of a plaque. We are still taking applications for a scholarship from the Park. The Park's concern is on hold because of the weather. The meeting for the Park will probably be in March 2003.

**Old Business:**

All the cars have been removed that were hampering snow removal.

**New Business:**

The Committee needs to get in gear plans for the Transfer Station started before June 2003. We need to know how much to budget, etc. for the new year. Councilman Ritchie is going to call on DEC to see about getting an open pit where they could bring brush and construction debris. Meeting set for Monday at 10 AM on 2/24/2003. The Route 89 water meeting is going to be in March 2003. Supervisor Zajac will be checking to see about the no parking signs posted on the main road by Willard entrances. As far as the Fire House in Ovid, they have contacted an architect. So far, the site is still on Brown Street although many are concerned with safety issues.

**Resolutions:**

#10-03 Verification of Payables  
Motion: Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Second: Councilman David Kaiser  
Carried Unanimously

#11-03 Authorize Town Clerk to Attend NYSTCA Conference

Motion: Councilman William Ritchie  
Second: Councilman David Kaiser  
Carried Unanimously

#12-03 Authorize Zoning Officer to Attend SPEDES Conference  
Motion: Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Second: Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Carried Unanimously

#13-03 Authorization for Additional Name on Credit Card  
Motion: Councilman William Ritchie  
Second: Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Carried Unanimously

**Town Clerk's Report:** See attached.

Motioned by: Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Seconded by: Councilman William Ritchie  
Carried Unanimously

**Adjourn Meeting:**

8:17 p.m. Motioned by: Councilman William Ritchie  
Seconded by: Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Carried Unanimously