

**Regular Town Board Meeting  
June 18, 2003**

**Call to order at 8:00 p.m.** by Supervisor Raymond Zajac

**Present Roll Call:** Councilman David Kaiser  
Councilman S. William Ritchie  
Councilman Robert Gerlach  
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  
Dog Control Officer Aaron Covert  
Ovid Gazette reporter Neil Chaffee  
1 resident  
John Yaw

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

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motioned by: Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Seconded by: Councilman David Kaiser

**Communications to be Filed:**

- a. Lawn notices – see attached
- b. Finger Lakes Visiting Nurse Services – see attached

**Petitioners to the Board:** John Yaw – wanting to see if the Town Board had made a decision on the matter of using sludge on the farm lands on Log City Road. Councilman David Kaiser has some concerns and was going to get some materials together about sludge and present it to the board – see letter attached. According to Mr. Yaw, DEC has approved this sludge. Mr. Yaw has the permit to use this sludge but is waiting to get approval by the Town Board. Tests have been done in regard to soil and water and DEC said they were not necessary. The sludge will be coming from Tompkins County, Seneca County, 5 Points Correctional Facility and Kids Peace in Seneca County. It was decided that the board was in no position to make a decision at this time and has requested it be tabled for 30 days. Meetings will be set up.

Motion: Councilman David Kaiser  
Second: Councilman Robert Gerlach

**Zoning Board's Report:** Meeting will be 6/26/03. There will be 2 variances to be looked at for discussion.

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

There are 2 houses that are falling down on Rte. 96A, west of the Depot Rd. They will be scheduled to be torn down soon. There is another house across from Ronnie's Body Shop that is being looked into for possible demolition as well as one on the Log

City Road. Councilman David Kaiser had some concerns that they might burn down the 2 houses on Rt. 96A and he was down wind of the possible smoke but it was doubtful that they would be burned down. The amount of the demolition would be added to the taxes on both properties and would be the responsibility of the owner.

**Planning Board Report:** See attached. The main thing for review is zoning ordinances for possible revision and will be together next meeting. Review of soil and erosion recommendations on Lot 8 at Lake Shore Landing for building and construction was approved.

**Highway Superintendent's Report:** See attached. Dumpster days went very well this year. Many thanks went to the men that worked all week to help make Dumpster Days a real success. They hauled away 7-3/4 dumpsters. Also, a resident on the Vineyard Road extension (the curve in the road) wanted to know if that extension was a town road or a county road. The resident had a right of way issue. You cannot park cars on a town road. Everyone was pretty sure it was a town road but will check with Attorney Gabriel to make sure. Lake Shore Landing has a couple of houses where the storm sewer goes under the house. It could be of some concern and needs to be checked out.

**Dog Control Officer's Report:** See attached. Little busier than normal but has slowed down in June.

**Assessor's Report:** Nothing.

**Water Commissioner's Report:** Everyone is very busy with the storm drains and locating all the water drains and shut off valves before the State Police move to the Depot Air Field in July. They are trying to get everything working and in line before the move is made so they will be up and running. There is over 6000 feet of line possibly to be replaced. Hopefully, everything will be in place within the next 2 weeks. The State Police will be separately metered.

**Bookkeeper's Report:** See attached.

**Supervisor's Report:** Supervisor Zajac is still working on the census numbers and trying to get the \$38,000 forgiven that was assessed to us. Also, many thanks to Jim Williamson for helping to make Dumpster Days run as smooth as it did and a real big success. We filled more dumpsters this year than previous years.

**Committees Reports:** The next meeting for Herson Park will be on June 25, 2003 at 6 p.m. The book sale benefiting Herson Park went well and is still going on at the Town of Romulus Hall. Also, the pipe line is almost completed converting from L.P. gas to natural gas at Five Points Correctional Facility. This hopefully will be done by October 2003. The transfer station committee will have a tour June 26, 2003 at 8 a.m. to Skaneateles, NY.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** Robert Gerlach shared with the Board about the Special Services that WDTC presents every year in the Garden they have constructed out behind the Hatch Building, honoring the personnel that have died while working or in the line of duty at

Willard DTC. He had the honor of playing Taps for the short ceremony they have. The WDTC has an outstanding Color Guard

**Resolutions:**

#47-03 Verification of Payables

Motion: Councilman S. William Ritchie

Second: Councilman Robert Gerlach

#48-03 Approval of Increased Tapping Fee for Town of Romulus

Motion: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Second: Councilman S. William Ritchie

#49-03 Romulus Volunteer Fire Dept. Bingo License

Motion: Councilman David Kaiser

Second: Councilman Robert Gerlach

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

a. Liquor License for KT's

Motion: Councilman S. William Ritchie

Second: Councilman Robert Gerlach

**The Next board meeting will be July 16, 2003 at 7:30 p.m.**

**Adjourn Meeting:**

8:10 p.m.

Motion: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Second: Councilman S. William Ritchie