

Regular Town Board Meeting  
August 16, 2006

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

**Roll Call:** Supervisor David Kaiser  
Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Councilwoman Barbara Mc Call  
Councilman Kyle Collingsworth

**Others Present:** Town Clerk, Terry Smith  
Planning Board Chairman, David Hayes  
Zoning Officer, Brian Compton  
Highway Superintendent, Jim Williamson  
Finger Lakes Times Reporter, Brian Lothridge  
Residents 5

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Followed by Moment of Silence

**In Memoroy Of:** Tom Bouchard and his son Franco were presented with a Plaque that was put on a Park Bench in honor of Vincenza Alabastro their wife and mother to be placed in Hernon Park. Mr. Bouchard and Franco were also given an American Flag.

**A brief recess was called for refreshments.**

**The meeting was resumed at 7:50 PM.**

**Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes from July 16, 2006.  
Motioned: Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Seconded: Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Carried Unanimously

Special Mintues from August 8, 2006  
Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Seconded: Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Carried Unanimously

Resolution #61-06 Support for the County Manager Position  
Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall  
Carried Unanimously

Roll Call Vote:	Councilman Robert Gerlach	Yea
	Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.	Yea
	Councilwoman Barbara McCall	Yea
	Councilman Kyle Collingsworth	Yea
	Supervisor David Kaiser	Abstained

**Petitioners to the Board:**

Rick Kaczka from Poplar Beach Road, Romulus, had some concerns about the speed limit on this road. There is no posted speed limit which means that under state law the speed limit is 55 MPH. Mr. Kaczka also submitted a petition signed by 16 residents that would like to see the speed limit reduced. Mr. Kaczka said that there are many elderly residents and children as well as some pets who are in danger of being hurt by vehicles going at a high rate of speed on the road. Mr. Kaczka stated that he personally has seen some incidents where residents were almost injured by motorists. He also stated that there are speed bumps that may be purchased to help slow down these vehicles. Elm Beach should be included in this study. These speed bumps are seasonal only. You would not want these speed bumps down in the winter because of plowing etc.

Supervisor David Kaiser said he agreed that a reduced speed limit sign should be posted on the road and said the board will look into making that happen.

**Communications:**

- a. NIMS Compliance Letter – see attached.
- b. Thank you from Catholic Charities – see Attached

**Code Enforcement Officer’s Report**

Monthly Report Attached

Letter were sent to the following:

Junk Appliances at Tax Map #03-1-17

Lawn Maintenance at Tax Map #03-1-37

Mr. Compton also gave verbally his resignation and to state that he will be with the Town until the next meeting in September 2006. He stated that he had gotten another job at the same time he was hired here and doesn’t feel he has enough time to do both jobs.

**Water Commissioner’s Report**

Mr. Holley was absent this evening but Supervisor Kaiser reported that Mr. Holley and his crew have been very busy replacing the water lines here in Willard in preparation for the paving project. Next summer will be when the streets will be paved. This will allow the stone to settle.

**Planning Board**

The planning board had a public hearing for the Toro Run Subdivision on the corner of Swick Road and Route 89. We also got some paper work back from the County Planning Board. The County Planning Board recommended that we hold them at 2 acre lots but Mr. Hayes explained that the issues involving the sewers

and wells was taken care of. The Town Planning Board is recommending that they go ahead with 1 acre lots.

#### **Highway Superintendent's Report**

Monthly report attached.

The 10 wheeler is still running ok right now. August 17, we are scheduled to blacktop the parking lot in front of the Town Hall on Second Street.

We had a water break on Second Street last week while we were digging the line on Prospect and took out a lot of blacktop.

I would like to request permission to rent the John Deere Tractor with extendable pull mowers. I need Board approval to rent any equipment.

We would like to schedule this for next month's meeting. It won't be needed before October 2006.

Mr. Fravil approached me this week about putting two driveways on the Blaine Road. He is going to fence in that last field that he had Oats in this year for his cattle. The driveway will be on the corner of Kinne Road and Blaine Road.

#### **Dog Control Officer's Report**

Monthly report attached.

#### **Bookkeeper's Report**

Monthly Report Attached.

#### **Supervisor's Report**

I would like to take this opportunity recognize the hard work and dedication of our Town Board and our Town Planning Board for helping to bring Empire Biofuels to our Town. The Depot has been a big part of our lives since 1941, when the Seneca Army Depot was started. Then in 1992, the Depot was phased out of our lives. The good news is that the Bio-fuels Ethanol Plant will be on the Depot and located in the Town of Romulus. This could also possibly help the idea of the Seneca Energy Park.

The Mission Statement of the Energy Park is to provide the Towns of Romulus and Varick and Seneca County a state of the art facility for the production of energy using renewable sources and technologies. By partnering with companies that build and install the associated equipment, public and industry education, and showcasing other renewable energy technologies can be facilitated. Low cost energy produced can be used as a marketing tool to promote on site businesses. This could be the foundation that we have been looking for to go ahead with development of this project.

The value to the town is that it will provide 60 jobs, the prospect of spin off industries, and new projects attracted by enhancement of infrastructures. This is only the beginning of some good prospects of development.

Additional thank you to the Governor, for his “vision and support of renewable energies” in New York State. Thank you also to Senator Nozzolio, for all he has done to help bring this project here and also Assemblyman Brian Kolb.

We had a meeting for the Veteran’s Cemetary in Waterloo on July 27, 2006, and the game plan has changed a little bit. Senator Nozzolio is proposing that the whole 400 acre site be conveyed over to the New York State Parks Department excluding the 100 acres that is set aside for the Veterans Cemetary with the hope that the State Park could then help to maintain the grounds.

The sidewalk project is going along good in the Hamlet of Romulus. They plan on pouring cement on Monday August 21, 2006.

Late Friday, I was sent an Email from the Governor’s Office regarding a new grant program. The legislature has approved a \$300,000,000.00 kitty for community enhancement program. The first round available is \$50,000,000.00. The meeting yesterday afternoon August 15, 2006 gave specifics for that money. We will be putting together an application for the Depot. We know that there are approximately 17 or 18 warehouses that are falling down and they are detrimental for the development of the Depot. The Army will not help with money to remove these buildings. The demolition of these warehouses fits in the guideline of these grants. Also we may be able to get funding to have the Parsons house in Romulus deconstructed, removed and carried away. The Supervisor feels that burning that house may be insensitive to the fact of what happened there. We intend to pursue grant monies for that project also. The deadline for these grants is September 15, 2006.

**Committees:**

Hernon Park – Councilman Gerlach expressed his disappointment in the vandalism that is going on with the benches and plaques in the Park. The next project for the Hernon Park is electricity. The next meeting is 3:00 PM on August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

Block Part Committee Meeting 6:00 PM August 18, 2006 – will be setting up tents for block party.

**Old Business** – Supervisor Kaiser obtained some documents from the City of Canandaigua concerning the subject last month regarding the noise control of boats on our Lakes. This information will be passed on to the Planning Board and they will decide if they want to pursue this issue. There is no more information available on the Wind Energy program. There is a house on 414 that could be burned down but a resident was told that the fire department does not burn houses down anymore. Supervisor Kaiser will check into that situation.

**New Business** - Mr. Kaczka was also interested in the lot above Poplar Beach with the

waste water and the water from the storm water run off as to where it will go. All the storm water will go to a catch pond and from the catch pond some of it will leech back into the ground and what doesn't will go into a control ditch that is already in place. The ditch is on Swick Road. The waste system will go into each house that has its own septic system. Each septic system is oversized. They are sized for a three bedroom home and all the houses will only be 2 bedroom homes. At each house there is enough room for 100% replacement should that septic system fail. All are sand filled. No leach lines will be installed.

**Resolutions:**

Verification of Payables #654-712  
#62-06

Motioned: Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.

Seconded: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Carried Unanimously

NIMS Compliance Resolution

#63-06

Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall

Carried Unanimously

**Town Clerk's Report**

Monthly Report accepted.

Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Seconded: Councilman Kyle Collingsworth

Carried Unanimously

Liquor License Renewal for the VFW Post 6200.

**Meeting Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall

Carried Unanimously