

**Regular Town Board Meeting  
September 19, 2007**

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor David Kaiser at 7:30 P.M.

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

<b>Others Present:</b>	Terry Smith, Town Clerk	Present
	David Hayes, Code Enforcement Officer	Present
	Barry Roach, Planning Board Chairman	Present
	Jim Williamson, Highway Superintendent	Present
	Jack Holley, Water Commissioner	Absent
	Aaron Covert, Dog Control Officer	Present
	Neil Chaffee, Ovid Gazette	Present
	Paulette Likoudis, Finger Lakes Times	Present
	Residents 13	Present

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

**Oath of Office Administered:** Tonight we have 5 members of our Loan Advisory Board to be sworn in.

They are: Kevin Reff  
Cheryl Westervelt  
Judy Tavelli  
Maren Hosmer  
Kyle Collinsworth

This is a very good program for not just the Town of Romulus, but for South Seneca County to Jump Start Businesses. When the above mentioned members are sworn in tonight, they will be in charge of operating the program and administering the loan program. You will be charged with the responsibility of determining those projects which you feel are viable and beneficial to the Community. The Town of Romulus appreciates each of you for volunteering to do this. Supervisor Kaiser thank all for serving on this Board.

Judge Greule administered the Oath to each person. Each person signed the Oath of Office register.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Approval of Minutes – August 22, 2007  
Motioned: Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Seconded: Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Carried Unanimously

**Petitioners to the Board: Mary Catt – Rachael’s Challenge**

Mary Catt is a member of the Rachael’s Challenger Committee with 2 students in the Romulus School District. We started this project over the summer. Right now we are trying to get the word out as our kickoff is next Thursday, September 27, 2007. I will turn this program over to Christopher Catt who is a member of the Romulus School District Peer Mediation Group. Rachael’s Challenge was started by the parents of the first girl killed in the Colombine School Happening. It is a nationwide effort to prevent bullying and violence and lower the occurrences in the school systems. We are trying to get the community involved and better inform people about the issues that bullying and violence present. On September 27, 2007, we will be having a Rachel’s Challenge kickoff, first for the students with an hour long seminar and what it means to them. After that there will be a community supper in which we invite everyone in the community to join us. The supper is free. At 6:30 pm, after the supper concludes, we will be having a seminar on Rachael’s Challenges Goals and what we want to achieve with it. We are also having a community volunteer day, on October 13, 2007. It will start at 10:00 AM and we will be offering our services to the residents of Town of Romulus to do what we can to make the community a better place. We will help with the lawns, pick up trash, help senior citizens, and if you would like, make suggestions as to a person or persons that need our help. After that, we will conclude that part with a volunteer lunch. The meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> of October, 2007 will be at the North Entrance to the School. We are supporting other projects, such as “Here For You” project for the Veterans where they are collecting toiletries etc. to send overseas.

**Communications to be filed:**

- a. Letter to Loan Advisory Board Members – Attached. Their responsibilities are overseeing applications for community development , loans to existing and new businesses.
- b. Varick Volunteer Fire Dept. Tentative Budget – Attached
- c. NYS Dept. of Taxation & Finance – RE: Credit Card Fuel Tax - Attached
- d. Seneca County Rabies Clinic, October 27, 2007 at Seneca County Highway Attached
- e. Seneca County Hazardous Waste Days – October 13, 2007. - Attached
- f. Time Warner Cable – Expiration of Agreements – Attached
- g. Dumpster Days - October 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> 2007. This time we are taking tires. You are allowed 4 tires. Your card will be punched for each tire. No tractor or truck tires. It is on Log City Road.

**Zoning Code Enforcement Officer**

- a. Permits issued to date – attached - We had only 1 permit this month.
- b. Letter to Wells Fargo -2429 Route 96, Ovid

**Planning Board;s Report**

- a. Minutes Attached - The minutes are September 10, 2007 not August 10, 2007.
- b. Zoning Map – attached. This is a Town of Romulus digital map produced which is just a copy of the old map but in digitized form. It also needs many

corrections as some of the roads are no longer there. There are some Hamlets that are no longer Hamlets as well as new Hamlets that are not on this map. This is a beginning to what we will be doing to update the comprehensive plan. We will start with the map.

- c. Outdoor Wood-burning Burners. Kate Sinicropi has called to be on the Agenda for the Board of Supervisors to make a presentation. She will also have the DEC Representative with her. We will schedule a Public hearing in conjunction with the regular board meeting at 7:30 PM on October 17, 2007, concerning the “model law” regulating the Burners. We will add this as Resolution #68-07 tonight.

### **Seneca County Planning Board**

- a. Minutes attached

### **Zoning Board Report**

- a. Meeting to be held September 20, 2007 at 7:00 PM.

### **Highway Superintendent’s Report**

- a. Report attached
- b. Request to purchase a 2008 F-350 Pickup Truck Pursuant to 15 Year Plan
- c. Aaron from Seneca Water and Soil called and said the grant money for the ditch stabilization along Torro Run is finally going up the hill. We have to the end of the year to use it. The total sum is \$6000.00.
- d. People have been approaching me, regarding riding four wheelers and snowmobiles on town roads. In the 70’s we had snowmobile signs on our secondary roads and they were allowed to ride if they are registered and licensed as well as insurance. I would like to ask the Board’s permission to contact the Lewis County Highway Dept. and legislators to find out how they enacted their laws to where it is legal. Lodi tried this a couple of years ago, and the DEC Officer wrote tickets and made them stick. This could bring in more tourism and revenue in. Supervisor Kaiser asked Mr. Williamson to research this for the board and furnish the Board with a report. Supervisor Kaiser also asked the Highway Chairman, Kyle Collinworth to work with Jim to provide us with more information.

### **Dog Control Officer’s Report**

- a. Minutes Attached

### **Water Commissioner’s Report**

Jack Holley was absent. However, he told the Supervisor that everything with the water department was fine.

### **Assessor’s Report**

- a. Office of Real Property Services 2007 Triennial Aid Assistance

### **Bookkeeper’s Report**

- a. Report attached
- b. Interest earned from Certificate of Deposits

**Supervisor's Report**

- a. Submission of the Tentative Budget to the Town Clerk  
We must pass a tentative budget by October 1, 2007, the Preliminary Budget by October 20, 2007 and the Budget by November 13, 2007. We are basically using the 2007 budget figures and a 3% increase. We are still awaiting the Village of Ovid Fire Dept. Budget, South Seneca Ambulance Budget, the Romulus Fire Dept. Budget. We will look it over and do whatever we can to cut where possible. There is a resolution tonight to be approved tonight.

**Committee Reports:**

- a. Herson Park  
Minutes attached – Next meeting will be held Tuesday, September 25, 2007 at 9:00 AM.
- b. On December 1, 2007, a dinner dance will be held at the VFW in Ovid, with Nick Gillette. There will be a chicken and Biscuit dinner with all the trimmings. The proceeds will go to the Town Park for the Tommy Davis Ball Field. \$25.00 for a couple and \$15.00 single. Only 100 tickets will be sold.
- c. Historical Society
  - a. Minutes attached.
  - b. Next meeting 10 AM September 20, 2007.
- d. Seneca Transit Service
  - a. Minutes attached.
- e. Romulus/Varick Summer recreation Program
  - a. Letter from Varick Supervisor Requesting Increase in Budget \$300.00
  - b. Annual Report of Summer Program

**Old Business:**

Last month we approved a letter of intent for the Restore New York program that we applied for. It was due August 20, 2007 which we did. Now we have to have a public hearing which we have schedule for September 24, 2007, Monday at 6:00 p.m. to actually approve the resolution and the actual application. We will submit that to the state.

**New Business**

None

**Resolutions:**

#63-07 Verification of Payables  
Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall  
Carried Unanimously

#64-07 Romulus Volunteer Fire Dept. Bingo License  
Motioned: Councilwoman Barbara McCall  
Seconded: Councilman Kyle Collinworth  
Carried Unanimously

#65-07 Budget Transfers – Appropriations  
Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Seconded: Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Carried Unanimously

#66-07 Accept 2008 Tentative Budget  
Motioned: Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Seconded: Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Carried Unanimously

#67-07 Authorize Clerk to Advertise for Public Hearings  
Motioned: Councilman Kyle Collinworth  
Seconded: Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Carried Unanimously

**Town Clerk's Report**

- a. Monthly report Attached  
Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Seconded: Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Carried Unanimously
- b. Liquor License Renewal for South Seneca Sportsman's Club

**Meeting adjourned:**

Motioned by Councilwoman Barbara McCall to adjourn Meeting.  
Seconded: Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Carried Unanimously