

**ROMULUS TOWN BOARD MEETING**  
**September 16, 2015**

Call To Order: The Regular Romulus Town Board Meeting was call to order by Supervisor David Kaiser at 7:30 PM.

Roll Call:	Supervisor David Kaiser	Present
	Councilman Robert Gerlach	Present
	Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.	Present
	Councilwoman Theresa Jackson	Present
	Councilman Kyle Collinsworth	Present

Others Present:           Town Clerk, Terry Smith  
                                  Highway Superintendent, Jim Williamson  
                                  Zoning Board Member, Barbara McCall  
                                  Planning Board Chairman, Tom Bouchard  
                                  Water District, Robert Stapleton  
                                  Town Attorney, Steve Getman  
                                  Residents    7

Pledge of allegiance: followed by moment of silence.

Public Hearing – Proposed Local Law No. C of the Year 2015

- a. A Local law to override the tax levy limit  
Motedioned by Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr. to Open the Public Hearing  
Seconded by Councilman Robert Gerlach.  
Carried unanimously  
Supervisor declared the Public Hearing open.  
No One had anything to say.  
Supervisor Kaiser entertained a motion by Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr. to Close the Public Hearing.  
Seconded by Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Carried Unanimously  
The Hearing is closed.

Petitioners to the Board:

- a. Michelle Andrews – Summer Recreation Program Report  
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- b. Mr. Ward Craft - Mr. Craft lives in Elm Beach & has been working with Larry Colton of the Town of Varick who has been instrumental in getting the petitions out for getting a road reopened through the depot so that residents would not have to travel so far around the former depot. Also, to get the IDA to get going on selling Depot to local people instead of one or two individuals.

#### Approval of Minutes

- a. August 19, 2015 – Town Board Meeting  
Motioned by Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Seconded by Councilman Kyle Collinsworth  
Carried Unanimously

#### Communications

- a. Time Warner - attached
- b. Time Warner - attached
- c. Seneca County Dept. of Building & Fire Code Enforcement - attached
- d. Seneca County Dept. of Building & Fire Code Enforcement - attached
- e. Department of Public Service - attached
- f. Seneca County Rabies Clinic – attached
- g. Seneca Watershed Intermunicipal Organization
- h. Mary Anne Kowalski
- i. James A. Dawley III

Please note that the communications are filed with the Town Board.

#### Code Enforcement Officer

- a. 1885 Rt. 96, Ovid, Addition to Building
- b. 6165 Poplar Beach Spur, Romulus, New Residence
- c. 6479 Iron Bridge Road, Ovid, Deck
- d. Property Maintenance Letter 6992 First Street

#### Romulus Planning Board

Mr. Bouchard stated that all the Planning Board is current in their Workshop requirements. The Planning Board met Monday Night the 10<sup>th</sup> of August. They discussed a proposal from Greg Brown of Akron Ag Products, who had come to the Planning Board meeting in May 2015. He is in the process of buying the property from Seneca Bio Energy. The Planning Board discussed that he would have to discuss getting a Special Use Permit for his operation. He is going to be producing beddings for horses and cows that he will be selling in bulk.

The meeting from last month indicated that the Town will have to set up a meeting with Willard DTC to begin the process of acquiring the 750 foot lake front parcel in the hamlet of Willard. It is currently owned by the NYS Department of Corrections. The Town would have to get local approval and then state approval before Senator Nozzolio would be able to submit it to Legislation so that it could be conveyed to the Town.

The Planning Board will be updating the Comprehensive Plan and will take a look at their By-Laws.

#### Zoning Board

- a. No Meeting this month.

#### Highway Report –

- a. Report Attached

#### Water Department Report

- a. Report attached.

#### Dog Control Officer

- a. No report this month

#### Bookkeeper

- a. No Report

#### Supervisor

The Supervisor introduced the 2016 Tentative Budget to the Board. The first budget workshop will be Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>. At this point the budget is up .22 cents per thousand of assessment. The Supervisor pointed out that this is only the tentative budget and requires the Board to refine it down at the budget workshop.

#### Old Business

- a. Sidewalks Lakeshore

The Town is at a point where we have to make a decision and move on. If a sidewalk district is formed, bids are needed. Perhaps the Town could find some funds in the Highway Budget to address the issue. A quote for fixing the sidewalks was obtained for \$14,000.00. If the Town went that route, bids would have to be solicited for engineering for a map plan and report. That is required for any kind of district. Another option would be to remove the sidewalks which would have a cost associated with it as well.

It was suggested by Councilman Walborn, Jr. to identify the cost first then decide which option would be best.

- b. Proposed Rt 89 Water District – Mr. Reimer, Chairperson for the Route 89 water project, Reported that a quote from Clough Harbor engineers was received for just under \$12,000.00. Supervisor Kaiser suggested that the Board move forward with this as the Town did duly receive a petition.

A letter will be sent out to the affected residents along Route 89 letting them know what will be the undertaking.

- c. The question of reopening the County Road 135 through the depot to Route 96A was discussed. Attorney Getman suggested that someone check into it officially and ascertain if it was actually properly closed or if it is still open..

#### New Business

- a. Retirement Letter from Jim Williamson, Highway Superintendent

This will become effective October 8, 2015. He thanks the Town of Romulus residents for letting him serve as Highway Superintendent for 26 years. Supervisor Kaiser thanked Mr. Williamson for his 26 years of service to the Town of Romulus.

Mr. Williamson congratulated Darrell Morrell on his appointment to Highway Superintendent. In November there will be a referendum on the ballot for an appointed position for the Superintendent's job. If that passes that will take precedence.

- b. Budget Workshop is scheduled for September 28, 2015 at 10:00 AM. It will be advertised.  
Motioned by: Supervisor David Kaiser  
Seconded by: Councilman Kyle Collinsworth  
Carried Unanimously
  
- c. Dumpster Days will be October 16, 17, 18, 2015 8-4pm, 8-4pm, and 8-12.  
Electronics will be in October 2015 by the County.

Resolutions:

#69-15 – Verification of Payables

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

#70-15 – Budget Transfers-Appropriations

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

#71-15 – Accept Tentative Budget for 2016

Motioned by: Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Seconded by: Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Carried Unanimously

#72-15 –Authorize Clerk to Advertise for Dumpster Days

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

#73-15 – Resolution Adopting Proposed Local Law No. C of the Year 2015

Motioned by: Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Seconded by: Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Carried Unanimously

#74-15 – Approve Contract with CHA – Route 89 Water Dist.

Motioned by Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Seconded by Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Carried Unanimously

#75-15 – Letter to Residents – Re: Route 89 Water Dist

Motioned by Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Seconded by Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Carried Unanimously

#76 – 15 Authorizing Certificate of Abandonment of Chamberlain Rd.

Motioned by Supervisor David Kaiser  
Seconded by Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Carried Unanimously

#77-15 – Accepting Retirement of Highway Superintendent Jim Williamson  
Motioned by Supervisor David Kaiser  
Seconded by Councilman Robert Gerlach – With regrets  
Carried Unanimously

Adjournment:  
Motioned by Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Seconded by Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Carried Unanimously

Town Clerk's Report  
a. Report Attached

Adjournment