

**Regular Town Board Meeting
June 16, 2004**

Call to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present Roll Call:	Councilman Robert Gerlach	Present
	Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.	Present
	Councilman S. William Ritchie	Present
	Councilwoman Judy Galipeau	Present
	Supervisor David Kaiser	Present

Others Present:	Town Clerk	Terry Smith
	Planning Board	David Hayes
	Water Comm.	Jack Holley
	Code Enforcement	Lee Hoagland
	Residents	5

Pledge of Allegiance followed by moment of Silence:

Approval of Minutes:

May 19, 2004 Regular Board Meeting
Motioned by Councilman Robert Gerlach
Seconded by Councilwoman Judy Galipeau
Carried Unanimously

June 2, 2004 Town of Romulus Workshop Meeting
Motioned by Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.
Seconded by Councilman Robert Gerlach
Carried Unanimously

Petitioners to the board:

Bob Shipley County Chairman asked to be invited this evening to address the room about the Indian Land Claim. We have asked the governors attorneys to come and explain the governors proposal. This is going to effect not only the residents in the land claim area but also the rest of the county. Please get involved and give us some suggestions. Some of the major points of the land claim are: The Indians were award some 64000 acres of land within Seneca and Cayuga Counties but only agreed to take 10000 acres. The only reason they are willing to bargain is that they want a Casino in the Catskills. New York State is going to grant their wish . Payment right now is 21 years @3 million dollars /year to Seneca County as long as the Casino stays open. After 21 years New York State would have to bear the brunt of it and continue to pay that 3 million dollar payment to the county. The county on the other hand would have to go out to the effective towns and school districts and reimburse them their costs as far as lost revenues etc. The other 2 measures that we have fought for is area of land just south of Sampson State Park approximately 420 acres. The State has agreed to give us that site for economic development. The other portion of this is that we also asked for an economic development package in the same amount as the land claim. The State has also granted

that although it is not in the current MOU. Also we are looking at the Depot Airport as possibly moving the Old County airport to the Depot Airport. Our motto is "get some facilities here and they will come" so to speak. The tax parity is to be studied in detail. This is something the state is going to do with or without us. Any questions or suggestions give to Supervisor David Kaiser. The Indians will be allowed to purchase land within that land claim. Those purchases will be taken off the tax rolls. The current agreement is only with the New York Cayugas.

Communications to be filed:

See attached correspondences

Zoning Officer's Report:

Monthly report is attached. The variance hearing last Thursday approved the Variance.

Planning Board Report:

Monthly minutes were provided for meeting on June 3, 2004. The next meeting will be on August 4, 2004. Approval for Public Hearing for Christian Swarey:

Zoning Board Minutes:

Minutes are attached.

Highway Superintendent's Report:

See attached Report

Dog Control Officer's Report:

See attached report

Assessor's Report:

No report submitted.

Water Commissioner's Report:

No emergencies to report. We are painting the fire hydrants. Also we are presently repairing water meters. We will be reading the meters one week earlier this time.

Bookkeeper's Report:

See attached report:

Supervisor's Report:

The Banner for the town will be delivered the end of July 2004. The flags were to be completed before each town had their Bi-Centennial Event and just so happens ours is in August 2004 at Sampson State Park, The Family Fun Festival. It will be in place before that.

Any inflatable pool over 24" high by county code has to have fencing. I am going to put an ad in the paper. Motioned by Councilman Robert Gerlach, Seconded by Councilwoman Judy Galipeau. Carried unanimously.

State Department of Correction has agreed to provide the Engineer's House on main street in Willard to become Romulus's Historical Society.

NYSEG has assured us that the lights will be put in on First Street as soon as possible.

June 28, 2004, Angel Lawrence, Jack Holley and myself and Mr. Gabriel are going to be meeting with county personnel to discuss a franchise fee for the town in the event any natural resources are developed at the Depot.

The 420 acre Sea Property south of the park, Mr. Nozzolio has asked that we set aside 100 acres for a Veterans Cemetery. Possible contamination thru buried Septic Tanks has been found. Will let board know more.

Committee Reports:

Hernon Park: Next meeting will be held Wednesday, June 30, 2004 @ 6:00 PM. The fund raiser did not go well.

5 Points CF and Willard DTC : Both place just went to audits and both passed with flying colors. We were all given a jar of Home made Maple Syrup tapped from the trees on campus. They are using the YAP program. They take Youth that may be going the wrong way, put them with the prisoners and let the prisoners talk to them and scare them. It really works with some of them. They are with the kids 5 hours at a time.

The design on the new jail is going to be changed as far as where the prisoners are going to be held, from the Pod that was proposed to more conventional type of a rectangular building. DOC says that this will save us in man-power, 5-1/2 million dollars in 10 years. The architects will make up new plans and they plan to go to bid by January 16, 2005. The land at the depot was just turned over to Seneca County for the jail.

OLD BUSINESS:

We started an employee about 2 months ago, moved him up from part time to full time, and we are in the middle forming a new highway contract. There were some issues that were lost along the way side till they were resolved. Right now he is being paid the highway part time rate and Mr. Williamson is requesting that we move that up to \$10.00 An hour for a full time rate which is still below the \$11.67 hourly rate that he has currently budgeted for the person that is being replaced. Rate to start next pay period.

Motioned by: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Seconded by: Councilwoman Judy Galipeau

All in favor – 3 Yeas

1 Abstention Councilman S. William Ritchie

Carried

New Business:

The question about open burning was brought up and it was decided that there is no regulation on open burning. The Planning Board will look into it.

Resolutions:

- 51-04 Verification Of Payables
Motioned by: Councilwoman Judy Galipeau
Seconded by: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Carried Unanimously
- 52-04 Ovid VFW Bingo License
Motioned by: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Seconded by: Councilwoman Judy Galipeau
Carried Unanimously
- 53-04 Budget Transfers – Appropriations
Motioned by: Councilwoman Judy Galipeau
Seconded by: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Carried Unanimously
- 54-04 RVFD Bingo License
Motioned by: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Seconded by: Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.
Carried Unanimously
- 55-04 Authorize Clerk To Advertise Regulation
Motioned by: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Seconded by: Councilwoman Judy Galipeau
Carried Unanimously
- 56-04 Increase Starting Wage For Full Time Highway Employee
Motioned by: Robert Gerlach
Seconded by: Councilwoman Judy Galipeau
In Favor – 3 Yeas
Abstention – 1 Councilman S. William Ritchie
Carried

Town Clerk's Report

- Town Clerk's Report – Motioned by: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Seconded by: Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.
Carried Unanimously

Adjourn meeting:

- 8:50 p.m. Motioned by: Councilwoman Judy Galipeau
Seconded by: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Carried Unanimously

June 16, 2004

Terry L. Smith, Town Clerk

