

**DRAFT**  
**REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**  
July 16, 2008

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

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

**Others Present:** Town Clerk, Terry Smith  
Zoning Officer, David Hayes  
Town Planning Board, Barry Roach  
Highway Superintendent, Jim Williamson  
Water Commissioner, Jack Holley  
Residents 3

**Pledge of Allegiance:** followed by moment of silence. Supervisor Kaiser asked that we keep in mind our resident Samuel Byler who passed away recently.

**Approval of Minutes:**

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Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach  
Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall  
Carried Unanimously

**Petitioners to the Board:**

- a. Gene Pierce – Knapp Winery – Was not in attendance.
- b. Jim Williamson addressed the Board about the horse manure on the town highways and county roads. Mr. Williamson does not want to go out on a Saturday or Sunday and have the sides of his cars covered with manure. Supervisor Kaiser said that this is a problem along with steel wheels on the roads as well as horseshoes. We have looked at this problem before and decided that it needed to be taken care of county wide. Mr. Hayes, Zoning Officer, was also concerned because he rides a motorcycle and is concerned about rounding a corner and sliding on the manure. This time of year also is dangerous as the roads are hot and the steel wheels make approximately a 2 inch groove in the road. Supervisor Kaiser asked Mr. Williamson to talk to other Town Supervisors about these issues and see what they have to say. Supervisor Kaiser also asked Barry Roach to take a look at that issue and find out what the other municipalities are doing with this problem.

We also can look on line and give you the background on it. We will do some research on this issue. Mr. Roach also said that going through the Bishop might resolve some of this problem.

**Communications to be Filed:**

- a. State of New York Department of Agriculture & Markets – Regarding Request for proposals for Farmland Protection Implementation Projects – At this point in time, we do not qualify for this.
- b. Marsha Elkins – Thank you Letter from Class of 2008 Romulus Student
- c. WDTC – Thank you letter sent for the Flowers and Planting
- d. Sampson Veteran’s Memorial Cemetery – Request for Proposals for Professional Fund Raising and Consulting Services. The county will and in conjunction with the state and depending on the state funding will help to develop the site and get it going. This will be based on the donations. The county is the one that is soliciting these proposals. Terri Sandifur wanted to know what happened to the \$500,000.00 grant that given for this Veteran’s Memorial Cemetery. Supervisor Kaiser said that out of that money that has been earmarked from Senator Nozzolio money from the state has reimbursed the county for their expenses of acquiring the property, a survey done of the site, different processing expenses, and any additional work that is done for the project will come out of the \$500,000.00. If the state does not come through with anymore money, the work that is done will depend on the fund raising. The county taxpayer won’t be saddled with the cost of building the cemetery and operating it. Mrs. Sandifur asked if we owned the property and Supervisor Kaiser said we did. It is now in the process of being deeded over to the County. Once the funding stops, the land will revert back to the state. Supervisor Kaiser said that a good person for Mrs. Sandifur to contact would be Nancy Mangano, Project Director, Sampson Veterans Memorial Cemetery, PO Box 243, Seneca Falls, NY 13148.

**Zoning Officer:**

- a. Violation Letter
  - i. 1415 County Road 132 – Tax Maps #18-2-34The Yellow house on Route 96 has been cleaned up inside and outside. Now they need to mow the grass.

**Town Planning Board:**

- a. Docks & Moorings Minutes – June 25, 2008  
The Docks and Moorings proposal that we sent to Albany was rejected and were told to reapply which we have done. The main reason it was rejected is because it involves 5 towns in Seneca County, working together to look at Docks and Moorings on 2 of the major lakes (Seneca and Cayuga). We are next in line for the grant.

- b. Cliff Irwin – Letter of Resignation
- c. Mickie Sander-Jauquet Letter of Interest – She is teacher at South Seneca. She is very interested in this position.
- d. The Planning Board has received a proposal for subdivision on the Seneca Army Depot and the land will go to Seneca Bio-Fuels, Mike Coia and we submitted that to the Seneca Planning Board Harriett Haynes, for review. She sent it back. Basically, there are a couple of things conditionally on being approved. We scheduled a Public Hearing on this issue.

**Seneca County Planning Board:**

- a. Agenda and Minutes from June 10, 2008 meeting

**Town Zoning Board:**

- Minutes from June 19, 2008 meeting

**Highway Superintendent:**

Jim Williamson Superintendent of the highway department is working with Jack Holley getting the water line in on Prospect Street and also getting ready to raise the road. We are going to end up with about 30” more in the lowest point of the dip. We will extend it all the way up to the parking lot and steps of the Town Hall. It will make the road more level. Also, we will be expanding the parking lot out to make a handicap parking lot. With the Board’s approval we will need to swap 25 feet of property with Mr. Minges to make our parking lot big enough for handicap parking. We also have turned in \$2500.00 in scrap the last couple of weeks. The money has been put in machinery funds. The posts are in for guard rails on Swick Road. This project will be completed after things slow down a little.

**Dog Control Officer:**

- a. Reports Submitted

**Water Commissioner**

The main line in the water project here in Willard is finished. It has to be pressure tested and disinfected on Monday. As soon as we get the ok on that we can start hooking up the house services. Hopefully it will be up in operation by the first of August 2008.

**Court Justice:**

- a. NYS Unified Court System Offers a Justice Court Assistance Program Grant.  
Judge Greule would like to make the courts more secure and has some ideas that he would like to do. The grant is in the amount up to \$30,000.00.

**Assessor:** Nothing.

**Bookkeeper:**

a. Report Submitted

Due to some problems with vendors canceling, it has been decided to cancel the Block Party this year. We are hoping next year when these streets are done, to have it back in front of the Town Hall.

**Supervisor: Nothing**

**Committees:**

a. Next Hernon Park Meeting July 15, 2008 @9:00 AM - Cancelled

i. Minutes from June 17, 2008 meeting

b. Community Advisory Meeting

c. Romulus Historical Society Minutes from May 15, 2008 meeting.

d. Joint Historical Society held Commemorative Ceremony on Monday, July 14, 2008. It was well attended. Commissioner of NYS Agriculture, Mr. Patrick Hooker dedicate the Road Marker that we are going to put on the side of the highway. We had Mr. Coleman, retired professor from Cornell University who is also a Historian for the University gave a history of this college. We had speakers from the New York State Grange and the New York State Agricultural Society. We had the Assistant Dean of Agriculture at Cornell that also gave a speech.

**Old Business:** The Windmills have never been proceeded with. Also, Councilman Gerlach has asked whether Supervisor Kaiser has heard anymore about the holes in front of the Church on Main Street being repaired. So far, nothing more has been done.

**New Business:** Nothing

**Resolutions:**

52-08 Verification of Payables

Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall

Carried Unanimously

53-08 Authorize Purchase of Sweeper Broom for Skid Steer

Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall

Carried Unanimously

54-08 Authorize Purchase Trailer to Haul Skid Steer

Motioned: Councilwoman Barbara McCall

Seconded: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Carried Unanimously

55-08 Authorize Highway Superintendent to Request Bids for the Sale of  
1971 International Tractor.

Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall

Carried Unanimously

56-08 Authorize Court to Apply for Grant

Motioned: Councilwoman Barbara McCall

Seconded: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Carried Unanimously

**Town Clerk's Report:**

a. Town Clerk's Financial Report Submitted

Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall

Carried Unanimously

**Adjourn:** The regular Town Board Meeting was adjourned at  
The next Board Meeting will be August 20, 2008 at 7:30 pm

Motioned: Councilwoman Barbara McCall

Seconded: Councilman Robert Gerlach

Carried Unanimously