

DRAFT
Regular Town Board Meeting
December 15, 2010

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

Roll Call:	Supervisor David Kaiser	Present
	Councilman Robert Gerlach	Present
	Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.	Absent
	Councilwoman Barbara McCall	Present
	Councilman Robert Gerlach	Present

Others Present:	Town Clerk, Terry Smith	Present
	Planning Board Chairperson, Kate Sinicropi,	Present
	Highway Superintendent, Jim Williamson	Present
	Residents 2	

Pledge of allegiance: followed by moment of silence. Councilman Kyle Collinworth asked that we remember Rick Dunbar, a resident who recently passed away.

Approval of Minutes:

- a. November 17, 2010 Regular Town Board Meeting
Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall
Carried Unanimously

Petitioner to the Board:

- a. Clare Redditt – Mrs. Redditt wanted to the Board to know that she reviewed the trial about Mr. Yoder with the judge and the case that was brought to him was for only 1 count. In the district attorney’s office, the count was originally for 74 counts and they cut those counts down to fifteen. He supposedly killed the dogs 15 time because he killed them 5 or 6 dogs at a time. Then somewhere along the line it was cut down to 1 count. He could have been fined \$1000.00 but was only fined \$300.00. The Judge couldn’t have tried him for the 74 counts when it was reduced to 1 but he could have given Mr. Yoder the full amount of the fine.
What I would like to do is ask the Board is to encourage our County Board of Supervisors to develop a task force to keep track of Puppy Mills, keep track of legislation, and do all they can to either to control them better or get rid of them. I have a list of people that would be good to be on this task force (the list is attached). Councilman Gerlach suggested that Mrs. Redditt go to the County Board of Supervisors Meeting and asked the same thing as your are doing here. They know that she raises dogs and is professional in that manner. Councilman Gerlach believes that would hold a lot more

weight than just Supervisor Kaiser going to the County Board. Mrs. Redditt said she would be glad to go.

Communications to be filed:

- a. SCSO Report – attached
- b. NYMIR - attached
- c. Excellus - attached
- d. Time Warner Cable - attached
- e. Time Warner Cable -attached
- f. Seneca County Planning and Community Development - attached

Assessor's Report: None

Code Enforcement Officer Permits Issued/Letters Sent:

- a. 30-10 Detached Garage 6161 Rte 414
- b. 31-10 Storage Shed, 5845 East Lake Road Ext.

Romulus Planning Board:

- a. November 8th Planning Board Minutes - Attached
- b. Seneca County Planing board Agenda/Minutes - Attached
- c. Mrs. Sinicropi reported that at the December 6, 2010 Meeting they held the election of officers. Essentially, all the officers remain the same. Tom Bouchard went to a training on Grants for waterfront on December 3, 2010 and reported on that meeting. They are small grants and have a very quick deadline. Harriett Haynes was at our meeting. She still has not received anything regarding the docks and moorings grant. However, the next day it had come in. Mrs. Sinicropi reported that they had received information from Barb Johnston on the Farm Protection grant that they were looking for regarding the activities that the Town is responsible for and what she is responsible for. Tonight you will see a request for us to go ahead and advertise for a public meeting about the Farmland Protection process of the grant in January 2011. Supervisor Kaiser has the paperwork presented to us for the Docks and Moorings. He will have our Attorney review it first before he signs it. We passed a resolution to accept the grant. Councilman Gerlach asked what was done concerning the Van Horn Concert that was held without permission. Mrs. Sinicropi said, "they will taking action. She talked with Attorney Getman and Supervisor Kaiser regarding that action. The planning board has requested that we issue a letter. Their concern is that they will do it again because nobody told them that they were in violation. The Board is afraid that other people will follow in their footsteps," It is a zoning issue so Mr. Hayes would be the person in control of investigating. Our zoning does provide for a citation being issued. We will do that. Mrs. Sinicropi said that the Sheriff's Department was sent their twice that day. The Board will get that documentation. They also did not contact the Fire Chief

and that is something that had been requested in writing.
Mrs. Sinicropi said there is a training coming up on January 20, 2011. Some of the presenters are from Finger Lakes Land Trust, USDA, and Natural Conservation Service and Farmland Trust and Cornell Cooperative Extension. That will be held right here in Ovid Federated Church.

Romulus Zoning Board:

- a. No Meeting Last Month

Highway Superintendent:

- a. Report attached. Mr. Williamson is running Run of Crush and would like Permission to put it on the Beaujon Road. Supervisor Kaiser said he thought it would be ok as long as he had room enough to get it back out.

Dog Control Officer:

- a. Report attached

Bookkeeper:

- a. Report attached

Supervisor:

- a. Closeout meeting set for December 29, 2010 at 9:00 AM
- b. Re-organization meeting set for January 4, 2011 at 9:00 AM
Resolution #95-10 will be added tonight.
Supervisor Kaiser spoke to the Board regarding Route 89 Water District. We received some petitions regarding the above topic. I spoke to the County about a special election. The county does not handle that and said we would be responsible for the election. I received a very lengthy e mail with all the provisions on how to conduct it and what you have to do. It is very expensive and very involved. You have to mail out a lot of informational notices. You have to hire certified ballot watchers. It is quite involved. You will only have 75 days to have this referendum held after date of those petitions. That would be very hard for us to do. New York State Law does not allow for absentee voting on this special election. I called our attorney, Guy Crowe. He and I came to this mutual agreement that the best thing for us to do would be to postpone action on this project. There is no funding available at this time. Varick also has no funding for their project. No water for us to even hook into. If we postpone acting on this by resolution we can pick it up again by resolution and not have to go through all that process, such as public hearing, environmental review, that has already been done. If we should take it up again in August, there may be funding for it. Secondly, the county would have to put it on the ballot and at their expense and being a general election, absentee voters

can vote on it. Mr. Crowe's advice is that we rescind this motion that we did before the 75 days are up. I would like to consider at the Closeout meeting on the 29th.

Committees Report: Councilman Gerlach wanted to know who is responsible for the Hernon Park. It is a beautiful Park and should be made use of. Maybe we can get some people interested in getting some groups to play ball. Councilman Collinsworth will talk to some people and see what can be done such as Sports Boosters in Romulus. Next year maybe making it a Park Maintenance bid.

Old Business: Butch Carroll said he would take care of the snow removal for the coming year. A group of men from Ovid and Town of Romulus used the lift to put up our Christmas lights.

New Business - None

Resolutions:

Resolution 90-10
Verification of Payables
Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Seconded: Councilman Kyle Collinsworth
Carried Unanimously

Resolution 91-10
Ovid VFW Post 6200 Bingo License
Motioned: Councilwoman Barbara McCall
Seconded: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Carried Unanimously

Resolution 92-10
Romulus Volunteer Fire Dept. Bingo License
Motioned: Councilwoman Barbara McCall
Seconded: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Carried Unanimously

Resolution 93-10
Romulus Volunteer Fire Dept. Games of Chance License
Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Seconded: Councilman Kyle Collinsworth
Carried Unanimously

Resolution 94-10
Clerk Authorized to Advertise
Motioned: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Seconded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall
Carried Unanimously

Resolution 95-10
Authorize Clerk to Advertise Closeout & Reorganization Meeting
Moted: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Secoded: Councilman Kyle Collinworth
Carried Unanimously

Town Clerk's Report:

- a. Report Attached
Moted: Councilman Kyle Collinworth
Secoded: Councilman Robert Gerlach
Carried Unanimously

Adjournment:

Moted: Councilman Kyle Collinworth
Secoded: Councilwoman Barbara McCall
Carried Unanimously