

Romulus Town Board Minutes

January 17, 2018

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Supervisor David Kaiser at 7:05 PM.

Roll Call: Supervisor David Kaiser	Present
Councilman Michael Joslyn	Present
Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.	Present
Councilman Joseph Brodnicki	Present
Councilman Kyle Collinsworth	Present

Pledge of Allegiance; followed by a moment of silence

Others Present: Town Clerk Marjorie Van Hying  
Planning Board Chairman Tom Bouchard  
Planning Board Vice Chair Bill Karlsen  
Zoning Board Member Barb McCall  
Zoning Board Member Jane Braunig  
Town Attorney Patrick Morrell  
Highway Superintendent Daryl Morrell  
Zoning Officer Adam Schrader

Residents: Approximately 60

Open Public Hearing on Proposed Law #1 – Moratorium on ZBA Actions – No Action Taken

Motion to open – Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Seconded by – Councilman Michael Joslyn  
Carried

Comments: Mike Elliott joined for 2018 and will help with training. Will Burns wants broader language for training. Tom Bouchard stated that the County Planning Board will help with training.

Motion to close – Councilman Kyle Collinsworth  
Seconded by – Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Carried

Open Public Hearing on Proposed Law #2 – Moratorium on Large Solar Facilities

Motion to open – Councilman Michael Joslyn  
Seconded by – Councilman Kyle Collinsworth  
Carried

Comments: This has been revised for 6 months from the previous 1 year. Paul Doyle spoke on the regulations. Samples are available from Genesee Valley. Smaller Solar facilities have already been covered per Chairman Tom Bouchard. Mary Anne Kowalski stated that the third paragraph seems to be changed. Will Burns made a few statements concerning size of wineries. Sue Ellen Balluff wants the 6 months which all agreed with.

Motion to close – Councilman Joseph Brodnicki  
Seconded by – Councilman Kyle Collinsworth  
Carried

Supervisor David Kaiser asked Town Zoning Officer Adam Schrader to speak on his controversy on letter that was published in the paper. He told of how it has negatively affected his personal and public/business life. People have mistaken the letter as blanket approval for the waste incinerator which is not true.

Town Attorney Patrick Morrell stated that a Moratorium on any waste facility in Town needs reviewing first. Paul Doyle spoke on being confused on zoning process. Town Attorney Patrick Morrell explained it and stated it is quite involved. The Town is limited by codes and New York State laws. Mary Anne Kowalski read the State regulations for Zoning Officer.

Other discussion; Supervisor David Kaiser stated when asked that he was against the waste incinerator. Paul Doyle explained what renewable energy is. Zoning Officer Adam Schrader spoke on permits and his duty as Zoning Officer. Planning Board Chairman spoke on two letters and interpretation that were put in the paper. Supervisor David Kaiser spoke on the letters and Town Attorney Patrick Morrell explained the published letters. Councilman Michael Joslyn told of his concern with the EB5 Visa program.

Approval of Minutes with Attached Resolutions:

December 20, 2017 Board Meeting  
December 27, 2017 Close Out Meeting  
January 2, 2018 Re-Organization Meeting  
Motion to Accept: Councilman Michael Joslyn  
Seconded by: Councilman Joseph Brodnicki  
Carried

Communications:

Willard Burns letter – January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
Willard Burns letter – January 16, 2018  
Resolution #9-18 – Seneca County opposing incinerator

Romulus Planning Board:

Seneca County Planning Board Agenda 1-11-2018  
Seneca County Planning Board Re: TR 2018 – 1 – Moratorium on Large Solar Facilities  
Seneca County Planning Board Re: TR 2018 – 2 – Moratorium on ZBA Actions

Highway Report: Attached

Water & Sewer: Attached

Supervisor:

New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal Letter – Public use / STEPS  
Liberty Mutual Insurance letter of notice of expiration  
Training for new Zoning Board Members – May and another date to be announced.

Supervisor continued:

Local Law # 2 Moratorium on Solar. Town Attorney Patrick Morrell will work with the Town Clerk to send this to the State. Change the length of time from 1 year to 6 months.

Motion to Accept – Councilman Kyle Collinsworth  
Seconded by – Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.  
Carried

Bookkeeper's Report – None

Old Business:

Rick Connolly asked how much power is at the Depot? Someone stated 5 Mega Watts. Councilman Michael Joslyn stated that on January 29 and 31, the new phones will be installed. Christmas lights need taking down but weather has delayed this. A new Moratorium #3 on land use, prohibiting waste, landfill and mining will be drawn up for February's meeting. Supervisor David Kaiser suggested 6 months for length of time.

Resolutions:

#07-18 – Verification of Payables

Motion to Accept – Councilman Kyle Collinsworth

Seconded by – Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.

Carried

#08-18 – Appoint New Zoning Board Member

Motion to Accept – Councilman Michael Joslyn

Seconded by – Councilman Kyle Collinsworth

Carried

#09-18 – 6 Month Moratorium on Large Solar Facilities

Motion to Accept – Councilman Kyle Collinsworth

Seconded by – Councilman Ralph Walborn, Jr.

Carried

Town Clerk's Report:

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Motion to Accept – Councilman Joseph Brodnicki

Seconded by – Councilman Michael Joslyn

Carried

Adjournment – at 9:35 PM

Motion to Adjourn – Councilman Joseph Brodnicki

Seconded – Councilman Michael Joslyn

Carried

Respectfully Submitted

Marjorie Van Hying, Town Clerk

