

RUSH TOWN BOARD
Minutes of January 9, 2013
Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Rush Town Board, County of Monroe, was called to order by Supervisor Richard Anderson at 7:00 PM on January 9, 2013, at the Rush Town Hall, Rush, New York. The Pledge of Allegiance was done during the Organizational Meeting which preceding the Regular Meeting.

PRESENT: Richard Anderson ----- Supervisor
 William Riepe ----- Councilperson, Deputy Town Supervisor
 Kathryn Steiner ----- Councilperson
 Cathleen Frank ----- Councilperson
 Daniel Woolaver ----- Councilperson
 Pamela Bucci ----- Town Clerk
 John Mancuso, Esq. ----- Town Attorney

OTHERS

PRESENT: Mark David ----- Highway Superintendent, Resident
 Ansgar Schmid ----- Resident

I. OPEN FORUM

Supervisor Anderson opened the meeting and welcomed all present wishing to address the Board. Any questions presented to the Board will be answered either during the meeting or at a later date.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION #51-2013

Councilperson Steiner moved to approve the Minutes December 27, 2012, presented by Town Clerk Bucci. Supervisor Anderson seconded the motion.

Roll:

Councilperson Riepe	aye	
Councilperson Steiner	aye	
Councilperson Frank	aye	
Councilperson Woolaver	aye	
Supervisor Anderson	aye	carried.

III. APPROVAL OF TRANSFER

Supervisor Anderson noted that transfers were not required.

IV. APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT

RESOLUTION #52-2013

Councilperson Steiner moved, Be It Resolved, that having audited all the claims against the funds listed on Abstract #1-1, for vouchers #2 through #46, be

allowed for payment in the amount of \$132,950.29. Voucher #1 was not used. Councilperson Riepe seconded the motion.

Roll:

Councilperson Riepe	aye	
Councilperson Steiner	aye	
Councilperson Frank	aye	
Councilperson Woolaver	aye	
Supervisor Anderson	aye	carried.

V. CORRESPONDENCE

Supervisor Anderson had no correspondence to report.

VI. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Councilperson Riepe had no report.

Councilperson Steiner was unable to attend the Library Board of Trustees due to a conflict with the Recreational Agricultural Citizens Committee (RACC) which she is liaison to both. The Board of Trustees reported a library roof leak. Supervisor Anderson stated that the roof leak has been resolved for the time being and a mechanical crew will be further inspecting it for a complete and final repair. Councilperson Steiner also reported that circulation statistics were supplied by Library Director Flass. The Library's door count was down as were libraries throughout the county possibly due to the holidays and inclement weather. The RACC met and discussed ideas and research to be done for the property.

Councilperson Frank had no report.

Councilperson Woolaver attended the RACC meeting. Councilperson Woolaver asked about the 5 year contracts entered into with BOCES leasees. Supervisor Anderson stated that they are best practices recommendation from the USDA for proper rotation. Councilperson Woolaver, as liaison, also attended the Conservation Board meeting.

Councilperson Woolaver asked about farmer's tax breaks and whether or not there is a penalty for selling farm land for non-farming purposes. Supervisor Anderson stated that filing an agricultural exemption on an annual basis with the Assessor's Office will provide a tax break, however, Supervisor was unaware of other programs.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

None to report.

A. Right to Farm Law – Supervisor Anderson stated that he is awaiting the Planning Board's feedback.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Association of Towns Annual Meeting– Supervisor Anderson stated the Association of Towns Annual meeting is scheduled for February 17 – 20, 2013, New York City. A copy of meeting information was distributed to all board members. Funds have been reserved for up to 2 board members to attend. Those interested in attending are to contact Supervisor Anderson.

The proposed resolutions and proposed amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws were summarized by Supervisor Anderson. In order for Rush to vote, a designee name must be submitted by February 4, 2013, and present at the annual meeting. Resolutions include: (1) Preserve and Strengthen Home Rule; (2) Preserve land use Authority for Natural Gas drilling; (3) Mandate relief; (4) Publication of Legal Notices; (5) Road Preservation Securities and Road Use Agreements; (6) Reinstatement of Funding for School tax relief Exemption Administration; (7) Reform real Property tax System; (8) Waiver of Asbestos Notification Fees Associated with Municipally Owned Properties; (9) Highway, Bridge and Transportation Funding; (10) Surcharges to Fund Justice Courts and Town Prosecutors; (11) Authority to Charge Gross Receipts Taxes on Utility Bills; (12) Funding Local costs Association with Gas Extraction; and (13) Preserve Dedicated Funds for Local Purposes.

IX. OPEN FORUM

Supervisor Anderson offered the open forum with no requests from the audience.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Supervisor Anderson at 7:55 PM and approved by common consent of all councilpersons present.

Respectively submitted,

Pamela J. Bucci
Town Clerk