

RUSH TOWN BOARD
Minutes of January 13, 2010
Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Rush Town Board, County of Monroe, was called to order by Supervisor William Udicious at 7:00 PM on January 13, 2010, at the Rush Town Offices, 5977 East Henrietta Road, Rush, New York. Everyone present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT:	Richard Anderson	----	Councilman, Deputy Town Supervisor
	William Riepe	----	Councilman
	Thomas Doupe	----	Councilman
	Lisa Sluberski	----	Councilwoman
	William Udicious	----	Town Supervisor
	Pamela Bucci	----	Town Clerk
	Frank Pavia, Esq.	----	Attorney for the Town

OTHERS PRESENT:	Gerald Kusse	----	Code Enforcement Officer
	Joan Starkweather	----	Resident
	Rick Spencer	-----	Resident
	Harvey Seymour	-----	Resident
	Dan Woolaver	-----	Resident

I. OPEN FORUM – Supervisor Bill Udicious opened the meeting offering the floor to residents wishing to address the board.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION #49-2010

Councilman Anderson made a motion to approve the Town Board Special Meeting Minutes of December 30, 2009, as submitted. Councilwoman Sluberski seconded the motion.

Roll:

Councilman Anderson	aye	
Councilman Riepe	abstained	
Councilman Doupe	aye	
Councilwoman Sluberski	Aye	
Supervisor Udicious	aye	carried.

(Being his 1st Board meeting of his term, Councilman Riepe abstained from the vote.)

III. APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT #1-1

RESOLUTION #50-2010

Councilman Anderson moved, Be It Resolved, that having audited all the claims against funds listed on Abstract #1-1 in the amount of \$76,390.71 be allowed for vouchers #1 through #52. Councilman Doupe seconded the motion.

Roll:

Councilman Anderson	aye	
Councilman Riepe	Aye	
Councilwoman Doupe	aye	
Councilwoman Sluberski	Aye	
Supervisor Udicious	aye	carried.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Office of Real Property Services communication to Assessor's and property tax professionals regarding New York State Governor Patterson's budget proposal of cost effective merging of agencies with the Department of Taxation and Finance.

B. Finance Director Don Reynolds informed Supervisor Udicious that the Internal Revenue Service has reduced the mileage rate for 2010 to .50 cents per mile. The rate change will be reflected in the Organizational Minutes.

C. Memorandum from Town Clerk Bucci regarding Procurement Policy revisions. Documents have been revised and provided to Board Members for their review. Responses are due by January 27, 2010.

V. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Councilman Anderson attended the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Committee meeting in downtown Rochester. New grant guidelines will be publicized in the next Town newsletter for first-time homebuyer and home improvement projects. Individuals can apply. The Town may be to apply for CDBG grants regarding American Disability Act improvements. A program called A Recovery Act, ROC Heading Home was discussed which provides for granting temporary relief to persons who have recently lost their jobs and require help in paying rent and utilities. Details will be published in the Town newsletter and can also be found on the ROC website at www.ROCHHeadingHome.com.

Supervisor Udicious welcomed suggestions on American Disability Act (ADA) improvements to the town that could be applied for through the CDBG Program. He added that the Town of Rush has been successful in the past in getting funding for other ADA improvements including the elevator, restrooms and handicapped doors. The deadline of submission is February 12, 2010. Project notification of awards will be provided after August 1, 2010.

The Lions Club has asked the Town for a possible storage area for loaning medical equipment, i.e. crutches, wheelchairs.

Councilman Riepe stated that he will be attending a NYS training session and will report at the next meeting.

Councilwoman Sluberski informed the public that Congressman Eric Massa will be at the Town Hall on Sunday, January 17, 2010, 4 PM – 5:30 PM for a Question and Answer Session. The public is welcome.

Councilman Anderson will be meeting with Recreation Supervisor Patricia Stephens about a grounds rental policy. Councilwoman Sluberski, as previous liaison, offered Councilman Anderson work-in-progress projects of the Recreation Department.

Town Clerk Bucci reported that she is awaiting additional Monroe County paperwork required in forwarding the Resolution in support of lowering the speed limit on a stretch of East River Road. The Certified Resolution will be forwarded the following day. Supervisor Udicious added that he would be writing letters of request to NYSDOT for 2 other stretches of roadway in town warranting speed limit reductions.

Town Clerk Bucci stated that documentation regarding filing a Local Law on the adoption of the revised Sign Ordinance is being prepared.

Code Enforcement Officer Gerry Kusse attended a session on new regulations regarding lead paint. No liability is assumed by the Town.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Rush Market Update – The owner and architect are scheduled to appear before Zoning Board of Appeals for variance requests on Thursday, January 14 and before the Planning Board on January 19 for a site plan review. As always, the public is welcome.

B. Rezoning 6115 and 6123 Rush-Lima Road – The Town is awaiting a response from Monroe County Planning. Once that occurs, the Town Board can grant a decision on rezoning of the properties.

C. East River Road Water District Extension Request – Supervisor Udicious met with Mr. McNeill, who filed the request, regarding the process of extending the water district. Copies of procedures were provided to him by the Town Clerk's Office.

VII. OPEN FORUM

Resident Joan Starkweather asked about possible plans in making meeting rooms "hearing aid accessible" by looping. Supervisor Udicious stated that it has been an informal topic of discussion and looping does exist in the town courtroom.

Ms. Starkweather further asked about the expiring Master Plan of 2010. Supervisor Udicious stated that the Planning Board has been actively working with consulting engineering firm, Clough, Harbor. Councilman Anderson added that the bibliography and farmland preservation were major points being discussed. NYS has informed the Town that when funds become available, a planning grant would be presented for farmland preservation.

Supervisor Udicious requested the board remain for an attorney-client privilege session and further made a motion, agreed by common consent by all councilpersons present, that the meeting be adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela J. Bucci
Town Clerk