**REGULAR MEETING, TOWN OF REDFIELD, NOVEMBER 8, 2017**

The regular monthly meeting of the Redfield Town Board was held on November 8, 2017 at the Redfield Municipal Building starting at 7:40pm. Roll call was taken and the following board members were present:

Tanya Yerdon - Supervisor

Carla Bauer - Councilwoman

Elaine Yerdon - Councilwoman

Erwin Webb - Councilman

Absent: James Cheney - Councilman

In addition, Susan Hough -Town Clerk, Paul Pratt -Highway Superintendent, Marc Christmas – Christmas & Associates, Tom Jones, Jane Jones - Assessor, Matt Tompkins, Dan Murdie - Avangrid, Roger Murdie - Mad River Club, Wanda Murdie - Mad River Club, Ed Montieth - Redfield Snowmobile Club, John Yerdon – Redfield Vol. Fire Department, Debbie Groom – Salmon River News, Jenny Briot – Avangrid, Jim Muscato - Young/Summer Attorneys for Avangrid, Michael Yerdon, Corey Yerdon – Redfield Volunteer Fire Dept. Chief, Rob Brenner – Nixon & Peabody LLP Attorney for Woodwise, Tim Howell – Mad River Club, Matt Smith – Woodwise, Terry Harlander, Angie Kimball - Tug Hill Commission, and John Howland - Code Enforcement Officer

Pledge of the Allegiance was said.

**Resolution 17-114**

Motion was made by Elaine Yerdon and seconded by Carla Bauer that the

General Fund Bills - Abstract #11 Vouchers 359-373, 387-390 Totaling $ 7,389.37

Light District #1 - Abstract #11 Vouchers 386 Totaling $ 641.58

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, C. Bauer

Nays 0

**Resolution 17-115**

Motion was made by Carla Bauer and seconded by Erwin Webb that the

Highway Fund Bills - Abstract # 11 Vouchers 373-384 Totaling $ 16,535.99

Be paid.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, C. Bauer Nays 0

**Resolution 17-116**

Motion was made by Erwin Webb and seconded by Carla Bauer that the Supervisor's Report and Payroll Sheets be accepted as presented.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, C. Bauer

Nays 0

**TOWN CLERK – SUSAN HOUGH**

**Resolution 17-117**

Motion was made by Elaine Yerdon and seconded by Carla Bauer to approve the September 13, 2017 minutes as presented with meeting date change noted.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, C. Bauer

Nays 0

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**Resolution 17-118**

Motion was made by Carla Bauer and seconded by Erwin Webb to authorize Supervisor Tanya Yerdon to sign the 2018 NOCA Contract, the payments stayed the same at $ 13,590.00.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, C. Bauer Nays 0

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT - PAUL PRATT**

Paul- they have been doing storm damage work, they had three (3) roads that had washouts – Little John, Otto Mills, and O’Hara. They worked with the Town of Sandy Creek for one (1) day, under our Intermunicipal Agreement, helping them with storm damage, they had a lot more damage to roads than we did. We helped the Town of Boylston draw sand. The 2014 & 2017 are ready for winter, the 2007 will be ready next week. He has turned in the CHIPS report/Pave NY for a total of $ 94,471.33 which we should see around December 15th. They have had problems with the heaters in the Town Barn, he had two (2) heaters looked at, the Heat exchanger was bad, cleaned the blower motor, Glider gave a quote of $ 7,500.00 to replace and install, he got a quote from John’s Heating in Hastings for $ 2,600.00. Next week they will be in to clean and go thru the other heaters as well. We have five (5) furnace/heaters at the Town Barn, they are all 19 to 20 years old, Paul thinks we should start changing some of them out. John’s Heating has worked on the Albion Garage and the Orwell Garage. John Yerdon asked if they offer a service contract, Paul will ask about a service contract, he is going to do business with them unless the prices go crazy.

**JANE JONES – ASSESSOR**

She attended her class and it was a very good class.

**JOHN YERDON – DOG CONTROL OFFICER**

The lady from NYS Ags & Market came up to the kennel, John was not around, she has to make one (1) unannounced visit per year, she looked through the windows. He told her that it’s better to call otherwise the same could happen again, he might not be around. Supervisor – Tanya Yerdon received the reports on the Dog Control Officer and the Kennel both were satisfactory.

**ANGELA KIMBALL - TUG HILL COMMISSION**

The Village of Constableville has approved to join the CTHC, so please don’t send in the Intermunicipal Agreement as they will need to be added. She will get the revised Agreement out as soon as she hears from the Village of Turin – on their decision to join or not.  **REMINDER:** Clean vehicle rebates are available to municipalities that purchased or leased (at least a 36-month lease) an eligible vehicle and placed it in municipal service (from an eligible dealer) on or after 4/1/17. Rebates of up to $2,500 per vehicle will be issued for vehicles with an all-battery electric range between 10 and 50 miles and rebates of $5,000 per vehicle for vehicles with an all-battery range of over 50 miles. Additionally, approximately $2 million in funding is available to municipalities for eligible infrastructure projects which support public use of clean vehicles (public charging or fueling of clean vehicles). A 20% local match is necessary for the infrastructure grant. The NYS DEC will accept applications through 5/31/18 and for more information contact DEC’s Office of Climate Change at [ZEVrebate@dec.ny.gov](mailto:ZEVrebate@dec.ny.gov) or (518)402-8448.

**REMINDER:** NYS Archives has some upcoming training sessions available this fall. There is a class on “Using State Archives Local Government Retention Schedules” on 11/14 from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm in the Town of Macedon and one on “Document Scanning Essentials” on 11/20 from 9:30

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am to 12:30 pm in Cazenovia. For more information on training events see <http://www.archives.nysed.gov/workshops/schedule>, click the training session you want and follow the link to registration information. The Jefferson Co. Planning Dept, the Tug Hill Commission, the Farm Bureau and Cornell Cooperative Extension are co-sponsoring a Solar Energy Seminar onTuesday Nov. 7th at 7 pm at Jefferson Community College in Watertown. Matt Brower from NYS Dept of Ag & Markets and Melody Westfall from Scalfone Law firm will be presenting. The seminar will discuss information for both land owners and municipalities. There is no cost for the seminar and you can RSVP to Jefferson Co. Planning at (315)785-3144 or [planning@co.jefferson.ny.us](mailto:planning@co.jefferson.ny.us) or online at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/solar-energy-seminar-tickets-39021871468>. The Association of Towns and The Office of the State Comptroller are holding a webinar for newly elected officials on Thursday Dec. 7th from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Visit [www.nytowns.org](http://www.nytowns.org) for more information.

The Association of Towns has also scheduled their Newly Elected Training School for January 10-12th at the Albany Marriott and January 17-19 at the Double Tree by Hilton in Rochester. The school costs $200 for members and $250 for non-members. Visit [www.nytowns.org](http://www.nytowns.org) for more information, agendas and registration forms. The NYS Dept of Ag & Markets has received a $5 million appropriation to fund a grant program available to municipalities and incorporated not-for-profit pounds, shelters and humane societies for the cost of capital projects. Projects may include the construction, renovation, rehabilitation, installation, acquisition, or expansion of buildings, equipment or facilities need to secure and care for sheltered dogs and cats. Grants range from $50,000 to $200,000 for individual applications with a 50% local match required and 100,000 to $500,000 for joint applicants with a 25% local match required. More information can be found on the grants gateway through the [Grants Opportunity Portal](https://grantsgateway.ny.gov/intelligrants_NYSGG/module/nysgg/goportal.aspx). Deadline to apply is January 10, 2018 and grant awards are expected in February 2018. The NYS DEC is holding a public meeting on Inland Trout Stream Management in Jefferson County on Thursday Nov. 9th at the Dulles State Office Building (317 Washington St.) in Watertown, in conference room #1 from 6:00 to 8:30 pm. The meeting will provide an overview to the state’s inland trout stream management and elicit feedback from anglers about the topic. For more information visit [http://www.dec.ny.gov/press/77537.html](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTcxMDMxLjgwMTg5NzgxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE3MTAzMS44MDE4OTc4MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MjU4OTY1JmVtYWlsaWQ9YW5naWVAdHVnaGlsbC5vcmcmdXNlcmlkPWFuZ2llQHR1Z2hpbGwub3JnJmZsPSZleHRyYT1NdWx0aXZhcmlhdGVJZD0mJiY=&&&105&&&http://www.dec.ny.gov/press/77537.html). The NYS Archives and the NYS Local Government Advisory Council have announced the 2018-19 Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund (LGRMIF) grants have opened for applications. Three types of projects are supported: individual projects with a single applicant; shared services projects with two or more applicants and demonstration projects to develop model electronic records programs which can be duplicated by other local governments. Application guidelines are available on the Archives website at <http://www.archives.nysed.gov/grants/grants_lgrmif.shtml> and all applications must be submitted via the State Archives eGrants system by 5 pm on January 16, 2018. Grant projects will run from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019. There are in person grant workshops in Manlius on 11/14 and Virgil on 11/16 as well as webinars on 11/14 and 12/13. Visit <http://www.archives.nysed.gov/workshops/schedule> for more information on these classes and registration details. There are two final public open houses regarding compatibility planning around Fort Drum coming up in regards to the ongoing Joint Land Use Study (JLUS). There is one open house 11/13 at the Lowville Academy Elementary Cafeteria (7668 N. State St., Lowville) from 6-8 pm; and one 11/14 at Watertown High School’s Cafeteria (1335 Washington St., Watertown) from 6-8 pm. There will be a presentation at each open house at 6:30 pm on key compatibility issues raised and implementation strategies recommended, with the remaining time dedicated to the open house format. Written comments will be taken at the open houses and will be accepted until the end of the comment period on 11/27/17. For more information or to comment visit [www.danc.org/ftdrum\_jlus](http://www.danc.org/ftdrum_jlus) or email Hartley Bonisteel Schweitzer at [hschweitzer@danc.org](mailto:hschweitzer@danc.org).

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John Yerdon asked if they were going to correct the 911 numbers which are screwed up in every Town in Lewis County. Angie – yes, they are well aware of the issue, working on pagers, hopefully will re-tackle this.

**Resolution 17-119**

Motion was made by Carla Bauer and seconded by Elaine Yerdon to authorize Supervisor Tanya Yerdon to sign the 2018 Redfield Volunteer Fire Department, Inc Contract, the contract is in the amount of $ 45,500.00.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, C. Bauer Nays 0

Abstains Erwin Webb

**COREY YERDON – REDFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF**

The Fire Departments Old Engine went to Tennessee, they were very happy to get it, Redfield put all the unused, out dated (per NYS) equipment in the old engine for them to use as they can in Tennessee. Their new Engine should be here soon, it’s in Syracuse now.

**SUPERVISOR - TANYA YERDON**

The 2018 Budget – any questions/comments. Highway Superintendent Paul Pratt – We should be getting a check in the amount of $ 135,500.00 from the County by the end of the month. Paul asked about money for the Old Town Barn/ New Cold Storage building – they had discussed tearing down the old Town Barn and building a new Cold Storage Building up across from the New Town Barn. Supervisor Tanya Yerdon – talked to Mark See – you have to have the right numbers to put into a budget category, you need to research it, go to other Town’s and look at theirs, get actual figures, she doesn’t think it should be in this year’s budget. Councilwoman Elaine Yerdon – we don’t really have much wiggle room in this year’s budget. Supervisor Tanya Yerdon is concerned with the numbers that the Retirement System gave her, they are less than normal and wants to go this year to make sure they are the real numbers.

**Resolution 17-120**

Motion was made by Elaine Yerdon and seconded by Carla Bauer to adopt the 2018 Preliminary Budget without any changes as the Final 2018 Budget with a total amount to be raised by taxes of

$ 693,550.00.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, C. Bauer

Nays 0

Tanya has been working on FEMA – you have to have a one to two (1-2) year plan, she is putting every disaster she can think of that could or might possibly affect the Town of Redfield. We have to complete this, it helps with Grants.

Councilwoman Carla Bauer –helped two (2) missionaries scraped and painted the train. She would like to look into a Grant for a playground, Patti Ritchie got the Town of Orwell and Rodman’s Grants.

There was discussion regarding the old church with the tarp on the roof, the tarp is ripped and needs to come off before it becomes a hazard. There was discussion that John Howland told them it wasn’t worth fixing, and the Community Church doesn’t want to lease it anymore. Also, discussion regarding the outhouse building next to the creek on County Route 17.

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**Resolution 17-121**

Motion was made by Carla Bauer and seconded by Elaine Yerdon to authorize Town Clerk Susan Hough to advertise a Meeting/Workshop for Wednesday, November 29, 2017 at 7pm, at the Municipal Building, purpose is to discuss proposed Zoning Law and any other business that might come before the board.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, C. Bauer

Nays 0

There was discussion regarding the snowmobile trails, Trumble Drive, State Deadlines. Senator Patty Ritchie and Assemblyman Will Barclay have stepped up, they are meeting with Woodwise hoping to get the trails back open.

Motion was made by Erwin Webb seconded by Elaine Yerdon to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, C. Bauer

Nays 0

The next Town of Redfield Town Board meeting will be held Wednesday, December 12, 2017 at 7:30pm.

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Susan Hough, Town Clerk