

**REGULAR MEETING, TOWN OF REDFIELD, December 11, 2018**

The regular monthly meeting of the Redfield Town Board was held on December 11, 2018 at the Redfield Municipal Building starting at 7:30pm. Roll call was taken and the following board members were present:

- Tanya Yerdon - Supervisor
  - Elaine Yerdon - Councilwoman
  - Erwin Webb - Councilman
  - Matthew Tompkins - Councilman
- Absent:
- Carla Bauer - Councilwoman

In addition, Susan Hough -Town Clerk, Paul Pratt -Highway Superintendent, Terry Harlander, Sue Harlander - Tax Collector, John Yerdon - Dog Control Officer, Mitch Yerdon, Marc Christmas - Christmas & Associates, Sam Lipe - Christmas & Associates, Bill Lipe - Christmas & Associates, Michael Yerdon - Code Enforcement Officer, and Angie Kimball - CTHC Circuit Rider

Pledge of the Allegiance was said.

**Resolution 18-109**

Motion was made by Erwin Webb and seconded by Elaine Yerdon that the General Fund Bills - Abstract #12 Vouchers 396-417, 430-433 Totaling \$ 32,497.18 Be paid.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, M. Tompkins  
Nays 0

**Resolution 18-110**

Motion was made by Matthew Tompkins and seconded by Erwin Webb that the Highway Fund Bills - Abstract # 21 Vouchers 416-428 Totaling \$ 52,798.74 Be paid.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, M. Tompkins  
Nays 0

**Resolution 18-111**

Motion was made by Elaine Yerdon and seconded by Matthew Tompkins that the Supervisor's Report and Payroll Sheets be accepted as presented.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, M. Tompkins  
Nays 0

**TOWN CLERK – SUSAN HOUGH**

We need to re-appoint Donna Turner to the Board of Review, her term ended on September 30, 2018.

**Resolution 18-112**

Motion was made by Tanya Yerdon and seconded by Erwin Webb to re-appoint Donna Turner to the Board of Review for another term.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, M. Tompkins  
Nays 0

The Death Certificates are now being done online, for Oswego County they started the 13<sup>th</sup> of December, she did training on the 4<sup>th</sup>. CW E. Yerdon - that's surprising because they were so strict as to who could get a copy of a death certificate, you had to wait 75 years. TC S. Hough - yeah they still are. Supervisor Tanya Yerdon asked about the old ones. TC S. Hough - we are doing them online but then we print them and we have to keep a copy, we have to make them on the safety paper. The Town received a thank you note from George Darlings family. She wanted to bring up what you thought of a sign for the falling snow off the building on the back side. There was discussion.

**Resolution 18-113**

Motion was made by Elaine Yerdon and seconded by Matthew Tompkins to authorize Highway Superintendent Paul Pratt to order a sign and post warning of falling ice.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, M. Tompkins  
Nays 0

**Resolution 18-114**

Motion was made by Elaine Yerdon and seconded by Matthew Tompkins to authorize Supervisor Tanya Yerdon to balance the year end account with a blanket transfer.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, M. Tompkins  
Nays 0

Margaret Kastler - Legislator - has a meeting tonight in Oswego, they will be voting on a new Chairperson, Shane Broadwell is stepping down. Thursday they have two meetings one at 2 and one at 7 they will be moving money and doing the year end stuff.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER - MICHAEL YERDON**

Mike stated business has been slow the last week or two, there are some projects that people thought they could do but couldn't because of the weather, so it's been pretty quiet. Next month he will have a report that's broken down with all the information. Highway Superintendent Paul Pratt asked Mike when people get a building permit does he tell them they need a driveway permit. Mike does talk to them and tells them to contact Paul for a driveway permit.

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT - PAUL PRATT**

Paul -as you can see from the invoices we replaced the electric heaters in the bathroom at the Town Barn, he called Hastings Heating and they came right up that afternoon. He did ask if they would service the Town Hall boiler - they would after the first of the year. New Heater for the Town Barn price has gone up, looking after the first of the year to have if replaced. The pump that the Fire Department gave them had died, he bought a new trash pump to clean up with. The 2007 sander is gone past it's time, needs to be replaced, if we buy a new sander we can take the money out of what the new truck will cost in a couple years when we replace it, we would put the sander on the new truck. He got a price on the Onondaga County bid for \$ 16,471.00, they haven't gone up as much as he thought, if we order before March, if we order it now we wouldn't take delivery until Spring, pay on delivery, Paul thinks it's the way to go, they will have to make the old one work for now. This would be the same sander we would purchase for the new Truck, use the money put away for the truck because we won't need the money for a sander when we buy the new truck, in 2020 we will replace the 2007. Supervisor Tanya Yerdon thinks it's a good idea. CW E. Yerdon asked if there was money in the equipment fund. Supervisor Tanya Yerdon - yes. CW E. Yerdon asked Paul how long they hold up.

Paul stated the first Stainless Steel Sander we ever bought will be seventeen (17) years this winter, they should last at least the life of a new truck. The quote is attached.

**Resolution 18-115**

Motion was made by Elaine Yerdon and seconded by Erwin Webb to authorize Highway Superintendent Paul Pratt to purchase a FHS-II Salt/Sand Spreader, 14' long for the 2007 10 wheeler which will be used on the new truck when purchased in 2020. Payment will be made in 2019 in the amount of \$ 16,471.00.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, M. Tompkins  
Nays 0

It also makes a difference with the County Rate we get paid more, the County goes by the State Rate. The Town of Williamstown has offered to do all the cutting using their equipment the site where the new Cold Storage Building will be built, if they can have the wood, they have a couple employees that are experienced, one worked for Nelson and the other worked for Lewis. CM E. Webb asked if they are fulling insured. Paul stated yes they have their own insurance. CW E. Yerdon asked how big of an area are you clearing. Paul stated - basically he figured it for 120' wide which keeps it away from the well, 200' toward the County Road, there's a little creek there but we are going to keep it back from that, he plans on keeping one of the overhead doors from the old town barn for the rear of the building, we could use it to take the road mower, and lawnmower and stuff like that out the back end, hence the reason to go so far back in there so you have room to get around, you have to make it wide enough outside so you can clean the snow away from there under the eaves, make it deep enough so you can get around there with equipment and stuff like that, and he's being told not to put the overhead door in the center, to put it off to the side, it makes it easier to get equipment in and out without having to moving everything, the smaller door would be on the back of the building. Mike Yerdon asked how far away from the well would the building be. Paul the building will be quite some distance from it. Mike said you still have to be off the property line some. Paul the building itself will be a lot further than the well, going to make it so you go in there like 30 - 40 feet, then the building and then behind it have room enough to get around it. Mike asked how far from the creek will you be. Paul- we will be at least 100 feet from the creek, we will be at least that, they are clearing so they can put crusher run down, which will be under the building too.

**Resolution 18-116**

Motion was made by Matthew Tompkins and seconded by Elaine Yerdon to authorize Highway Superintendent Paul Pratt to have the Town of Williamstown clear cut the site for the new Cold Storage Building up on the new Town Barn property with their equipment in exchange for the wood.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, M. Tompkins  
Nays 0

**DOG CONTROL OFFICER - JOHN YERDON**

John - he has talked to the owners of the chickens that were killed by the neighbor's dog. As of right now we will have to let it go, as it stands right now we will have to pay for the registered letter, the law is not clear as to what section you have to use, section 121 and 123 are not the same law, he doesn't know how he could file a dog as dangerous when it jumps up and sleeps with you, it's already been adopted out and gets along great with his new family, He just doesn't feel right having to go through that because of one person. He talked to Albany and two judges.

Supervisor Tanya Yerdon - they make a point to come up and inspect the kennel and expect changes but they never inform us of the law changes. John Yerdon - when he meets with the Lady from Albany he's going to talk to her about the law, he did it and filed everything the way she told him too, the next time he will make her sit down and write it down for him. He got away with it before because they couldn't prove it was his dog. Supervisor Tanya Yerdon - thanked John and appreciates everything he does. John talked to the Head of the Department in Albany and he told him the same thing the Lady from Albany told him, it's just irritating.

### **TUG HILL COMMISSION - ANGIE KIMBALL**

Angie has a new book that the Tug Hill Commission has put out, she gave Supervisor Tanya Yerdon a copy of the book for the Town of Redfield. It's on sale at Kinney's, Amazon, and the Tug Hill Land Trust office for \$ 19.95, they have given copies to all the Towns and Libraries.

**REMINDER:** Two workshops on the Complete Streets program have been scheduled for municipalities in Lewis and Jefferson Counties. Mark Fenton, a public health, planning, and transportation consultant, will be presenting information on the Complete Streets program which promotes active community designs that lead to economically, environmentally, and socially thriving towns, villages and rural settings. He will discuss how to build environments, policies, and programs that help to create places where more people walk, bicycle, and take transit more of the time. The workshops are scheduled for December 4<sup>th</sup> at the Village of West Carthage Community Room (61 High Street, Carthage) from 9 am to Noon and December 5<sup>th</sup> at the Lowville Village Fire Hall (7640 NYS Rt. 26, Lowville) from 8 am to 11 am. **REMINDER:** The Association of Towns (AOT) Annual Meeting and Training School will be held February 17-20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at the New York Marriott Marquis. Early registration runs from 11/1 to 1/25 and the conference registration is \$125 for members and \$150 for non-members. Starting 1/26/19 the rates increase to the on-site registration rate of \$160 for members or \$185 for non-members. Rooms must be reserved at the Marriott Marquis separately under the AOT's block and the cutoff to reserve a room is January 25, 2019. For more information visit the Association of Towns at [www.nytowns.org](http://www.nytowns.org) or call (518) 465-7933. **REMINDER:** The 2018 Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Clean Vehicle Municipal Rebate program is now open. The NYS DEC is accepting applications for the program until 7/26/19 or until the \$300,000 in funding is exhausted (on a first-come, first-served basis). The rebates are available to municipalities that purchase (or lease for a minimum of 36 months) a new clean vehicle from a dealership in New York on or after May 1, 2018 and place it into service before July 26, 2019. Applications are available on the NY State Grants Gateway under the opportunity name "2018 Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Clean Vehicle (Purchase or Lease)". For more information visit the DEC's Office of Climate Change funding page at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/energy/109181.html>. The NYS Dept. of State's Division of Local Government Services is hosting a "Winter Webinar Series" of classes of interest to municipal officials. The classes are "Solar Energy Regulation" on 12/6 from 6-8 pm; "The Comprehensive Plan and Local Government Efficiency" on 12/13 from 2-3:30 pm; "State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) Basics with Updates to Regulations" on 12/20 from 6-8 pm; "Planning Board Overview" on 1/10/19 from 6-8 pm and "Zoning Board of Appeals Overview" on 1/17 from 6-8 pm. For more training information visit <http://www.dos.ny.gov/lg/lut/index.html>, go to the "New Local Gov't Training Winter Webinars" link on the right side of the page to bring up the flyer where you can click on the desired course to register. New York Conference of Mayors (NYCOM) has several training opportunities available for village officials through recorded webinars. Among them are "Show Me the Money: Understanding the REDC and CFA Process", "The Roles and Responsibilities of Municipal Officials", "Open Meetings Law", "Municipal Finance Fundamentals" and "Ethics and Civil Service Essentials" along with several Planning and Zoning

Board topics. For a complete listing of the training available and more information about accessing the webinars visit <https://www.nycom.org/meetings-training/workshops-webinars.html>. The New York State Archives is pleased to announce that it is ready to begin accepting applications for the 2019-2020 Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund (LGRMIF). **The deadline for submitting applications is 5:00 pm on Monday, January 28, 2019.** Our region has a new Regional Advisory Officer Michael Martin. If you are interested in writing a LGRMIF fund, contact your Circuit Rider and we will get you in touch with Carla at the Tug Hill Office to begin the process. If you missed the workshops in regards to the grant and would like to watch a webinar on the process or for more information about the grant process, visit the State Archives website at [http://www.archives.nysed.gov/grants/grants\\_lgrmif.shtml](http://www.archives.nysed.gov/grants/grants_lgrmif.shtml). The final Tug Hill Commission meeting for the year will be Monday December 10<sup>th</sup> at the Empsall's Plaza, 130 Court St. Watertown from 10 to 11:30 am. The meeting is open to the public.

### **TAX COLLECTOR - SUE HARLANDER**

Sue has been using her own computer for her work and she needs a new one. She would like to get one for the Town, Oswego would like her to put her stuff on a disk. She has always used her own, this would be owned by the Town, she would need Word Office Software which is a yearly subscription. There was discussion.

### **Resolution 18-117**

Motion was made by Tanya Yerdon and seconded by Matthew Tompkins to authorize Tax Collector - Sue Harlander to purchase a new laptop with the Word Office Software and a 2year protection plan not to exceed the amount of \$ 700.00.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, M. Tompkins  
Nays 0

### **CHRISTMAS & ASSOCIATES - MARC CHRISTMAS**

Marc has a new subdivision application for the O'Hara Road - it's in the Forest Area, a total of 220.3 acres, 8 building lots ranging from 15 to 60 acres. Marc has 7 copies of the map, the application and the fees. Supervisor Tanya Yerdon - the board hasn't had time to look this over, once we accept the application and fees the clock for the 60 days starts for a Public Hearing. There was discussion. CM M. Tompkins would like more time to review the application and map. Marc did not mean to spring this on the board, he understood he was on the agenda but there was a misunderstanding. Terry Harlander asked if buyers would be aware it is a minimum maintenance road. Marc - yes they implemented language in the covenants, they cannot be used for a residence. Highway Superintendent Paul Pratt asked if a section could be added regarding the State Highway law that you cannot plow a Town road, he's had a problem again this year with someone plowing Abes Drive, these are snowmobile trails in the winter. After discussion the Town Planning Board decided not to accept the Balcom Farm Subdivision presented by Marc Christmas. The Board needs more time for review. This will be put on the agenda for the January 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### **SUPERVISOR - TANYA YERDON**

The Wind Law - as we were ready to vote on the law someone from another Town told her that they received their Law back from the County. This made her question whether or not our Law needed to go to the County for review. She was told by our Attorney's that it did need to go to the County.

She was trying to get all the paperwork together for the County but it really wasn't making sense to her so she called Phil Street at the Tug Hill Commission - Phil wanted to know why she was trying to fill out the paperwork, he told her not to fill anything out, the County must think this is an amendment to our Zoning Law. Supervisor Tanya Yerdon - our Wind Law is a stand-alone law not an amendment to our Zoning Law - therefore it did not need to go to the County. The County has thirty (30) days to respond, which is up and they did not respond. She has called the Attorneys and has not heard back from them. We should be able to vote on this law, we already held the Public Hearing and there has been no changes to the Law. There was discussion. Notice is not needed to vote on a Local Law.

**Resolution 18-118**

Motion was made by Erwin Webb and seconded by Matthew Tompkins to bring Local Law #2 of 2018 Wind Energy Facilities to vote. Roll call was taken as follows:

Elaine Yerdon           Aye  
Erwin Webb             Aye  
Matthew Tompkins    Aye  
Tanya Yerdon          Aye

Local Law #2 of 2018 Wind Energy Facilities has been

ADOPTED   Ayes 4            T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, M. Tompkins  
              Nays 0

There was discussion regarding an overlay district in the Zoning Law or amend the Wind Law. John Yerdon commended the Town Board for all the work they have done on this Local Law. Mike Yerdon thanked the Town Board for all the time and energy put into this Local Law.

Motion was made by Erwin Webb seconded by Matthew Tompkins to adjourn the meeting at 9:10pm.

ADOPTED   Ayes 4            T. Yerdon, E. Yerdon, E. Webb, M. Tompkins  
              Nays 0

The next Town of Redfield Town Board meeting will be held Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 7:30pm.

December 11, 2018  
Susan Hough, Town Clerk

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