

Town Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 15, 2017, at the Rockland Town Hall
Called to order by Chairman Cashman at 7:37 p.m.
Adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

The Clerk, Treasurer, and all members of the Board were present along with Bob Gerbers, Steve Gander, Terry Vertz and other members of the public. Clerk Koenig verified that the meeting was properly noticed; the agenda was presented after the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Minutes from May 1, 2017, Public Hearing regarding a rezone request from Up Down Dilly Dally, after any corrections have been rectified.

M/M by Supervisor Lasee to approve the minutes from the May 1, 2017 Public Hearing regarding the rezone request form Up Down Dilly Dally; after corrections seconded by Chairman Cashman. Motion carried.

Minutes from May 1, 2017, Town Board Meeting, after any corrections have been rectified.

M/M by Supervisor Lasee to approve the minutes from the May 1, 2017 Town Board Meeting; after corrections seconded by Supervisor Meeuwsen. Motion carried.

Minutes from May 9, 2017, Board of Review, after any corrections have been rectified

M/M by Chairman Cashman to approve the minutes from the May 9, 2017 Town Board meeting; after corrections, seconded by Supervisor Meeuwsen. Motion carried.

Renewal of Northeast Asphalt Quarry Permit- Tower Road

The Clerk read the comments to record from the Planning Commission Meeting reflecting the results of the Quarry Tour. Chairman Cashman indicated he had received no complaints in the past year, citing a lack of activity. There were some dust concerns, but they have treated the area to minimize it. Northeast Asphalt plans to pull 30,000 ton out of this quarry this year. They are currently running only one shift during the day. Having no public comment offered this went to vote.

M/M Chairman Cashman to renew the Northeast Asphalt Quarry Permit renewal as presented; seconded by Supervisor Lasee. Motion carried.

Renewal of Northeast Asphalt Blasting Permit- Tower Road

Having no discussion, with no public comment offered, this went to vote.

M/M Chairman Cashman to renew the Northeast Asphalt Blasting Permit as presented; seconded by Supervisor Lasee. Motion carried.

Re-implementation of County Sales Tax – John Van Dyck

No action necessary or taken. General discussion on the topic as just prior to the meeting a listening session was presented by John and Troy Streckenbach. If it were to go to a referendum, remember that a referendum is non-binding.

Road inspection tour projects and proposal from Scott Construction

Chairman Cashman reviewed the road projects and their respective costs as presented by Scott Construction. After discussion, and a few edits the list was prioritized and estimated to be valued at \$180,000 which will be sent back to Scott for a review. It was noted that a culvert at the end of Bildings Road should be replaced. No other discussion.

M/M by Chairman Cashman to remove projects numbered 1 and 6, to get a price for Old Ledge not to exceed \$10,000 and approve a total project based on a budget not to exceed \$180,000. Seconded by Supervisor Lasee. Motion carried.

Assessors Contract

Bob Taicher has been the Town of Rockland Assessor for a number of years and he has done a very good job of it, as evidenced by the number of people who attend Open Book and the Board of Review. He has asked for a 3% increase. Showing that other municipalities pay more than this, the increase was perceived to be reasonable. M/M by Supervisor Lasee to approve the 3% increase for the contract beginning June 1, 2017, and to sign the contract, seconded by Supervisor Meeuwsen. Motion carries

Petition for County Bridge Fund Aid

An extension of time was granted by the County to get our estimate processed. It will be due on June 6th, rather than the May 26th date. There are a few projects that require more analysis: they are the culvert on Tetzlaff Road, and the potential for bridge work on Old Martin near Wier's property – north side. No action was taken.

4-H Leaders Association use of Town Hall over next 3 years.

Treasurer Van Dyck explained that with the County Extension Building being sold, and a new building not up yet, it will be the case that many groups within 4-H, who often meet in the evenings, will be without a place to meet. Mary would like to extend the invitation for them to use the Rockland Town Hall as they need, provided they clean up after themselves and reset the room to a meeting format. All in attendance felt it was a good idea to allow them to use it without fee. There are other venues that have stepped up.

M/M by Chairman Cashman to allow the 4-H Leaders Association to use the Rockland Town Hall free of charge over the next 3 year period; seconded by Supervisor Meeuwsen. Motion carried.

Chairman's Report

Chairman Cashman indicated that as of this meeting, the roads review and bridge aid petition are his highest priority. He continues to evaluate and prioritize projects for the most efficient methods. The site of the old Rockland Town Hall has been excavated and is getting cleaned up. It is believed to be sold. The well there has been capped and is still good. It was recommended that it be tested before future use.

Announcements and Distribution of Correspondence received, if any

Planning Commission is idle. Board of Appeals meeting is scheduled to hear a variance request for Paul Edlebeck on Wednesday, June 7th at 7:00 pm. No other correspondence.

Items intended for future meetings.

Add the Bridge Aid Petition to the next meeting June 5, 2017

Public Comment

Jim Paque indicated that the site on 57 at Lasee Road was making progress, but appears to have declined again. There are more vehicles and trailers full of junk than has been there for a while. Bob Gerbers spoke with the father, and some of these vehicles are changing hands.

Cash Flow Analysis

Clerk Koenig presented the May Cash Flow Analysis. Items that were noticeably shifted were the Assessor's payment, which will swing from May to June. Also 3 loads of gravel/stone were used on Old Ledge Road to minimize the washout there.

Voucher in Payment of Bills

M/M by Chairman Cashman to approve checks #9961-9973 for a total of \$10,733.18 with no voided checks and no online payments; seconded by Supervisor Lasee. Motion carried.

Adjournment

M/M by Chairman Cashman to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m.; seconded by Supervisor Meeuwsen Motion carried.

All minutes have been taken truthfully and honestly and to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Julie Koenig,
Town Clerk

Minutes approved as written / with corrections (**strike one**) by the Town Board on June 5, 2017.

Dennis J. Cashman
Town Chairman