

RUSH TOWN BOARD
Minutes of August 13, 2008
Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Rush Town Board, County of Monroe, was called to order by Deputy Town Supervisor Knab at 7:00 PM on August 13, 2008, at the Rush Town Offices, 5977 East Henrietta Road, Rush, New York. Everyone present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Donald Knab ----- Councilman, Deputy Town Supervisor
Richard Anderson ----- Councilman
Thomas Doupe ----- Councilman
Lisa Sluberski ----- Councilwoman
Pamela Bucci ----- Town Clerk
Charles Steinman ----- Attorney for the Town

EXCUSED: William Udicious ----- Supervisor

OTHERS PRESENT: Dave Sluberski ----- Resident

I. OPEN FORUM Deputy Town Supervisor Knab invited anyone in the audience to address the Board.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES Regular Meeting of July 9, 2008

RESOLUTION #114-08

Deputy Supervisor Knab moved that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 9, 2008, be approved as written. Councilman Doupe seconded the motion.

Roll:

Councilman Anderson	aye	
Councilman Doupe	aye	
Councilwoman Sluberski	abstained	
Deputy Supervisor Knab	aye	carried.

Special Meeting of July 22 , 2008

RESOLUTION #115-08

Councilman Anderson moved that the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on July 22, 2008, be approved as written. Councilman Doupe seconded the motion.

Roll:

Councilman Anderson	aye	
Councilman Doupe	aye	
Councilwoman Sluberski	aye	
Deputy Supervisor Knab	abstained	carried.

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III. APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT # 17

RESOLUTION #116-08

Councilman Anderson stated **Be It Resolved**, that having audited all the claims against the funds listed on Abstract #17 in the amount of \$61,601.34 be allowed for vouchers #844 through #909. Deputy Supervisor Knab seconded the motion.

Roll:

Councilman Anderson	aye	
Councilman Doupe	aye	
Councilwoman Sluberski	aye	
Deputy Supervisor Knab	aye	carried.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

V. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

A. Councilman Doupe Construction of the gazebo behind the library has commenced. Interested volunteers to help with the work are welcome.

B. Councilwoman Sluberski The Recreation Department may be pursuing a grant. The functions of the Town in relation to the Seniors Group were discussed by the Town Board members.

C. Clerk Bucci - Monroe County Treasury is providing all towns the option of opening an M&T Bank account and contracting with Hammer Enterprises to accept collection of taxes via credit cards through the Monroe County website at no cost to the town. Residents would be able to pay *taxes only* by credit cards on-line at the Monroe County website and fees incurred would be the sole responsibility of the resident. Attorney Frank Pavia will be discussing the possibility with the Clerk and Town Board members at the next scheduled meeting.

D. Deputy Supervisor Knab Estimates have been received to perform needed electrical work on the town hall and library outside lighting.

RESOLUTION #117-08

Deputy Supervisor Knab made a motion authorizing the Supervisor to enter into a contract with CM Armitgagge Incorporated, 317 Imperial Circle, Rochester, New York to perform electrical work on outside lighting at a cost not to exceed \$1,000.00. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion.

Roll:

Councilman Anderson	aye	
Councilman Doupe	aye	
Councilwoman Sluberski	aye	
Deputy Supervisor Knab	aye	carried.

The Town's rental property at 1911 Rush-Scottsville Road requires outdoor painting. The costs associated with painting of the dwelling will come from rental monies. Painting estimates have been received.

RESOLUTION #118-08

Deputy Supervisor Knab made a motion authorizing the Supervisor to enter into a contract to have the rental dwelling located at 1911 Rush Scottsville Road painted at a cost not to exceed \$3,600.00. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion.

Roll:

Councilman Anderson	aye	
Councilman Doupe	aye	
Councilwoman Sluberski	aye	
Deputy Supervisor Knab	aye	carried.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Dam Project Quotes received for the repair of the dam were too costly, therefore, rejected. A further meeting with the engineer is required to determine the scope of the work needed to stabilize the dam while using available grant funding.

B. Town Park Project - The Engineer for the Town is monitoring the Highway's process in moving soil. Fields are expected to be completed this fall.

C. Qualities Communities Grant The Committee is continuing to gather information for a draft report.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Application for State Assistance Payments for Municipal Planning Grant - This application will be used as a supplement to the Town's comprehensive plan and is necessary in order to demonstrate its integration into the Town Master Plan as it applies to the Monroe County Plan.

RESOLUTION #119-08

Councilman Anderson moved WHEREAS that the Supervisor be authorized to approve the Application with New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets for State Assistance Payments for Municipal Agricultural and Farmland Protection Plan Development (Planning Grant) Form A which will be incorporated as a supplement to the Town of Rush Comprehensive Plan and to expend town funds in an amount not to exceed \$1,800.00.

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WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed the Application Form A with respect to the Project;

NOW THEREFORE, upon consideration by the Town Board; it is

RESOLVED, that the Municipal Agricultural and Farmland Protection Plan Development (Planning Grant) be submitted to the extent required by the applicable requirements. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Sluberski.

Roll:

Councilman Anderson	aye	
Councilman Doupe	aye	
Councilwoman Sluberski	aye	
Deputy Supervisor Knab	aye	carried.

B. Stonybrook Park Pond Condition - As shown on pictures presented, the pond is inundated with aquatic weeds. The Town requested a site visit by the New York State Department of Conservation and has received a recommendation letter from the Monroe County Soil and Water Conservation District. The Town has applied for a permit to stock the pond with sterile triploid grass carp. The carp will eat the vegetation and keep the weeds from growing at an undesirable rate.

VIII. OPEN FORUM - Deputy Town Supervisor Knab invited anyone in the audience to address the Board.

Dave Sluberski inquired about the outside lighting problems. Deputy Supervisor Knab responded that power surges through the town burns the ballasts out.

Mr. Sluberski also asked about the status of the Rush Market & Deli property. Deputy Supervisor Knab provided a non-binding update that Bryne Dairy is no longer pursuing the purchase, however, another party is scheduled to appear informally before the Zoning and Planning Board this month.

In relation to the dam project, Mr. Sluberski asked that if the dam would be allowed to deteriorate, would property values along the creek be decreased. Councilman Anderson responded that the area is in the 100 year flood plain and there is a possibility of further migration of the water, however, property values are determined through the Assessor's Office. The impact of the dam's deterioration is unknown, therefore, the town is pursuing repair of the dam along with keeping the bridge above safe.

Mr. Sluberski asked how the highway workforce was being paid to work on the town park project. Deputy Supervisor Knab stated that the grant monies received for the project require a 50/50 town match. Measures are being taken not to incur overtime. The Highway Department is providing billable hours for the project.

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IX. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, a motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Knab to adjourn the meeting and it was ended at 7:30 PM by common consent of all councilpersons present.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela J. Bucci
Town Clerk