REGULAR MEETING of the TOWN OF ROCKLAND was held on **November 7th**, **2024** at 7:00 PM with all the following members:

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR ROBERT EGGLETON

COUNCILPERSON CHRISTINE ROUTLEDGE

COUNCILPERSON ANDREW MCRELL
COUNCILPERSON EDWIN EDWARDS
COUNCILPERSON PETE DEVANTIER

OTHERS PRESENT: Marinella Di Vita, Town Clerk, Roger Decker, Highway Superintendent, Chris Bury, Water and Sewer Superintendent and other members of the public

Public Hearing for 2025 Budget

A motion was made by Mr. DeVantier and seconded by Mr. McRell to open the public hearing at 7 PM

Supervisor Eggleton Explains the changes made to the budget after the workshop meeting. The zoning line was to increase by \$5,000.00

Public comment was offered

John Hendrix asked budgetary questions regarding the culture and recreation portion of the budget

Sheila Shultz asked what the increase of percentage would be

A motion was made by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mr. McRell

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. McRell and seconded by Mrs. Routledge to approve the minutes from the October 17th, 2024 board meeting

CORRESPONDENCE

- Livingston Manor Public Library events Sensory Play Series Sound on November 9th at 10:30 am, Lego Club on November 15th at 3:30 PM, Thanksgiving Kids' Craft kids ages 5-10 November 16th at 10:00am-10:30am, Lego Swap on November 16th at 11:00 am, Pokemon Club November 16ths at 11:30am-12:30pm
- NY Power Authority Site walk on November 12-15th
- Thank you letter from Livingston Manor Fire Department Ladies of Auxiliary for donation from the Town of Rockland
- Continuing education Farm Land Protection for zoning and planning boards on November 13th from 11am-3pm at Cooperative Extension in Ferndale on Loomis Rd

OLD BUSINESS

- Water Meter discussion Badger Meter discussion with the water and sewer department about meters
- Dahlia Road Main Replacement discussion

NEW BUSINESS

Chargeback Reassessment 2025

RESOLUTION #150 -2024 Charge Backs 2025

A motion was made by Mr. DeVantier and seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor to reassess the charge backs on each of the followings tax bills for the year 2025

Labor to secure Unsafe Building - 102 DeBruce - 26.-1-8 = \$500.00

Labor to secure Unsafe Building -120 Main St -48.-8-6 =\$500.00

RESOLUTION #151 - 2023 Adopt Final Budget for 2025

On a motion the following resolution was ADOPTED - VOTE- AYES 5, NAYS 0:

Supervisor Eggleton YES

Councilperson McRell YES

Councilperson DeVantier YES

Councilperson Edwards YES

Councilperson Routledge YES

WHEREAS, the Town Board has met at the time and place specified in the notice of the said hearing on the preliminary budget and an opportunity was given to those present to be heard thereon,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED - that this Town Board does hereby adopt the Final budget as the annual budget of this Town for the fiscal year of 2025, beginning January 1st, 2025 and that such budget as adopted by entered in the minutes of the proceedings of this Town Board, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED - that the Town Clerk, shall certify in triplicate copies of said budget as adopted and deliver to the Legislator's of Sullivan County.

The 2025 Budget has an increase of 1.86%

Water & Sewer Trailer and New Truck

RESOLUTION #152 -2024 Trailer & New Truck

A motion was made by Mr. DeVantier and seconded by Mr. Edwards with all in favor to move forward with ordering a bigger trailer (2022 new orangline Th1020BK4CR Trailer) for the water and sewer department from Marshall Machinery for \$4,750.00 and to begin the purchase through NYS bid on the New 2025 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 HD pick up truck with the equipment needed for the department from Robert Green for \$52,095.00 Using Arpa Funds. Trading in the replacement Pick Up Truck as well.

• 30 Day Advance Notice - Dead Drift Deli

RESOLUTION #153 - 2024 Dead Drift Deli 30 Day Waiver Liquor License

A motion was made by Ms. Routledge seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor to Waive 30-Day notice for Liquor License for Dead Drift Deli located at 1979 Old State Rt 17

RESOLUTION #154 - 2024 **Budget Modifications**

WHEREAS, the 2024 Budget requires modification, now therefore be it RESOLVED, that the General Fund entries be authorized

FROM: TO:

1315.10-Bookkeeping Personnel 1315.40-Bookkeeping Contractual

\$2,000.00 \$2,000.00

(To cover unexpected increase in year-end tax preparation materials)

1355.10-Assessor Personnel 1355.40-Assessor Contractual

\$2,000.00 \$4,000.00

1355.20-Assessor Equipment

\$2,000.00

Grant Funds-County of Sullivan 1440.40-Engineering Contractual

\$67,000.00 \$62,250.00

(expected revenue increase) 1989.42-consultant contractual

\$4,750.00

(To cover costs associated with the Rail Trail project, reimbursed by grant funds)

3650.40-Demolition of Unsafe Buildings 1320.40-Auditing and Controls

\$11,500.00

(To cover multi-year billing)

8410.20-Electricity & Power Equipment 7110.10-Parks -Equipment & Capital outlay

\$10,000.00 \$30,000.00

8410.40-Electricity & Power Contractual

\$20,000.00

(Solar project won't be billed in 2024, needed to cover golf course payroll for employees)

9060.80-Health Insurance 7110.20-Parks-Equipment & Capital outlay

\$60,000.00 \$62,000.00

9030.80-Withholding Tax Match (FICA) 7110.40-Parks Contractual

\$3.000.00 \$10.000.00

9010.80-NYSLRS Match

\$9,000.00

(Savings in health insurance expenses toward purchase of golf equipment/materials & Rail Trail)

3650.40-Demolition of Unsafe Buildings 8160.40-Garbage and Refuse

\$1,500.00

(To cover expenses from dump day and extra clean ups)

1620.10-Buildings Personnel 1910.10-Unallocated Insurance

\$2,500.00 \$1,000.00

1995.40-Taxes and Assessments

\$1,000.00

6410.40-Publicity - LM

\$500.00

(To Cover unexpected overages in expenditures)

A motion was made by Mr. Edwards seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor to modify these budget as stated above

<u>RESOLUTION</u>#155 - 2024 Budget Modification RW

WHEREAS, the 2024 Budget requires modification, now therefore be it RESOLVED, that the RW Fund entries be authorized

FROM: TO:

Revenue- \$33,300.00 8330.4-\$33,300.00

(Insurance Claim Reimbursement) (Roscoe Water Tower Graffiti Removal)

Total: \$33,300.00

A motion was made by Mr. DeVantier seconded by Mrs. Routledge with all in favor to modify the budget as stated above

• Pond at Twin Village

RESOLUTION #156 -2024 Dredge Pond at Twin Village

A Motion was made by Mrs. Routledge and seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor to allow the highway department to assist the Twin Village Golf Course with Dredging the pond back to its normal conditions

• Snow & Ice Contract with Sullivan County

RESOLUTION #157 -2024 3 Year Contract Snow Control

A Motion was made by Roll Call with all in favor to authorize the payment rate for Centerline Miles for the Contract years July 1st, 2024 through June 30th, 2027

• 21.-1-16 - reduction in assessed value

RESOLUTION #158 -2024 Golf Course

A Motion was made by Mr. DeVantier and seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor to approve Index No. E2023-1122 involving real property tax certiorari for the premises owned by the Town of Rockland (Town), New York, known as: 21.-1-16 Rockland Road regarding reduction in value of property.

• Rosemary Hankins Planning Board Fillin

RESOLUTION #159 -2024 Rate of Pay for Rosemary Hankins

A Motion was made by Mr. McRell and seconded by Mr. Edwards with all in favor to give Rosemary Hankins the hourly pay of \$18.30 an hour when she covers any planning or zoning meeting.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Roger Decker-Paving completed. Salt Shed work is being done just need to get rid of the muddy mess behind it. Plow equipment is on and ready to go. We got possession of Marks Truck. We got reimbursed \$20,000.00 for the rip rap. A lot of work done for Pesch just dealing with the chimney issue. Beavers have been trapped for Amber Lake.

Chris Bury - Ronnie going for licensing, town will pay for the first one after that if he doesn't pass he will pay for his own. No more tap ins because winter is coming except 911 calls. All state Aqua store came to clean tank everything looks great. Needs a service to keep in shape. Parts came in for clarifier, took some time because they are all custom made.

Water & Sewer Log & Wknd Schedule

Town Clerks Financial Report

Public Comment:

John Hendrix - Lights in Roscoe & Golf Course questions

On a motion made by Mr. DeVantier and seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor the Town of Rockland board members went into an executive session at 7:54 PM

On a motion made by Mr. DeVantier and seconded by Mr. McRell with all in favor the Town of Rockland board members came out of an executive session at 8:02 PM

APPROVAL OF BILLS

On a motion of Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mr. DeVantierl the following resolution was ADOPTED-VOTED-RESOLVED to approve the bills on ABSTRACT # 21 November 7th, 2024 in the following amounts:

| GENERAL | 444-467 | \$85,020.06 |
|-----------------|---------|--------------|
| HIGHWAY | 342-359 | \$229,971.63 |
| LIV MANOR SEWER | 175-189 | \$1,517.58 |
| LIV MANOR WATER | 183-197 | \$8,807.64 |
| ROSCOE WATER | 187-200 | \$36,229.18 |
| ROSCOE SEWER | 188-203 | \$3,546.98 |
| RRL | 13 | \$705.56 |
| LML | 16 | \$1,269.06 |
| HAZ | 10 | \$50.27 |
| LMCON | 1 | \$12,000.00 |

ADJOURNMENT – On a motion of Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mr. McRell and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:04 PM

Respectfully Submitted,