JULY 11, 2018, TOWN BOARD

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Root, County of Montgomery and State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 1048 Carlisle Road, Sprakers, New York on the 11th day of July 2018.

PRESENT: LuEmma Quackenbush Deputy Supervisor

Dominic Cuomo
John VanKersen
Councilman
Laurel Eriksen
Town Clerk
Robert Subik
Attorney

Donald Oeser Superintendent of Highways

ABSENT: Gary Kamp Supervisor

Vacant Seat Councilperson

OTHERS PRESENT: Bob Harris, Assessor; Clifton Dorrough, Code Enforcement Officer; Tom Eriksen, Justice; John Thayer and Richard Bingham Planning Board Members; several residents

Deputy Supervisor Quackenbush opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the pledge to the flag.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Deputy Supervisor Quackenbush motioned seconded by Councilman VanKersen to approve the minutes from the June 13, 2018 meeting as presented.

Ayes 3 – Quackenbush, Cuomo, VanKersen

Nays 0

PUBLIC COMMENT

Deputy Supervisor Quackenbush opened the floor for public comment.

Resident Eli Fisher addressed the Board about the complaint from the June meeting regarding the farm debris he was leaving on the road. He is cleaning up the road twice a day if there is debris left on the road. He also stated that he is cleaning up the garbage as instructed by the Code Enforcement Officer under the property maintenance code. He expressed concern over harassment that he has been receiving.

Resident Noah Radliff asked that his new neighbors be informed of the fence law. Chicken are running loose and getting hit on the road. Town Flyers with a copy of the fence law will be mailed.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence for the meeting.

REPORTS

Reports were available from the Code Enforcement Officer, the Justice and the Bookkeeper. There was no report from the Assessor, the Town Clerk, the Dog Control Officer, the Planning Board and the Supervisor.

The Attorney reported that he had been in court for a dog bite case but that the defendant did not show do to being held in jail on separate charge from another incident.

The Highway Superintendent reported that he still has received no figures on the lot paving or cold storage, he also asked about the number of cemeteries needing cleaned.

AGENDA

Deputy Supervisor Quackenbush presented the agenda for the meeting. Councilman Coumo motioned seconded by Councilman VanKersen to adopt the agenda.

Ayes 3 – Quackenbush, Cuomo, VanKersen

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OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business for the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

A resolution was presented for the audit of the 2017 Justice records as required by Court Administration.

RESOLUTION No 10 of 2018

BOARD MEMBER VanKersen presented the following resolution and moved its adoption.

WHEREAS Section 2019(a) of the Uniform Justice Court Act requires that Town and Village Justices annually provide their court records and dockets to their respecting Town and Village auditing boards for examination.

WHEREAS The Unified Court System in a letter dated December 28, 2017 requested that such records be submitted and audited, and

WHEREAS The Town thereafter has contracted with Mr. Craig Speers of Buffalo, NY to prepare an Audit, and

WHEREAS Mr. Craig Speers has submitted an Audit, a copy of which is annexed hereto as Schedule "A."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Audit of the Supervisor, the Town Court, the Town Clerk and the Town Tax Collector as prepared by Mr. Craig Speers be and same is hereby accepted by the Town.

SECOND BY BOARD MEMBER Cuomo.

Ayes 3 – Quackenbush, Cuomo, VanKersen

Nays 0

New York State Retirement requires the keeping of 3-month activities calendars for all elected and appointed officials who are members of the NYS retirement system and do not participate in a time record keeping system. The following resolution was presented.

RESOLUTION No 11 of 2018

BOARD MEMBER Cuomo presented the following resolution and moved its adoption, Seconded by Board Member VanKersen.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Root hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement system based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of this body.

Elected Officials

Title	Name	Standard	Term	Participates in	Days/Month
		Work	Begins/Ends	Employer's	-
		Day		Time Keeping	(Based on
		(Hrs/day)		System	record of
				(Y/N)	Activities)
			01/01/2018-		
Supervisor	Gary Kamp	6	12/31/2019	N	2.89
Town Clerk	Laurel S.		01/01/2018-		
	Eriksen	6	12/31/2021	N	15.07
Highway	Donald		01/01/2018-		
Superintendent	Oeser	8	12/31/2021	N	35.73
	LuEmma		01/01/2018-		
Board Member	Quackenbush	6	12/31/2021	N	1.67

Appointed Officials

			10/01/2013-		
Assessor	Robert Harris	6	09/30/2019	N	4.67
	Clifton		01/01/2018-		
Code Officer	Dorrough	6	12/31/2018	N	4.20
	Virginia		01/01/2018-		
Court Clerk	Clinansmith	6	12/31/2018	N	8.81
	Richard		01/01/2018-		
Dog Control	Rickard	6	12/31/2018	N	2.50
	Robert		01/01/2018-		
Town Attorney	Subik	6	12/31/2018	N	2.98
	Patricia		04/11/2018-		
Bookkeeper	Laux	6	12/31/2018	N	7.56

Ayes 3 – Quackenbush, Cuomo, VanKersen

Nays 0

ABSTRACTS

Abstract #7 of the general fund for vouchers numbered 159-187 were audited and ordered paid. Paid abstract total was \$22,849.66.

Abstract #7 of the highway fund for vouchers numbered 83-97 were audited and ordered paid. Paid abstract total was \$45,650.29.

Councilman VanKersen motioned seconded by Councilman Cuomo to accept the audit of abstract #7 of the general fund in the amount of \$22,849.66 and abstract #7 of the highway fund in the amount of \$45,650.29. The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURN

Councilman Cuomo motioned seconded by Councilman VanKersen to adjourn at 7:26 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Laurel Sherrie Eriksen, Town Clerk