

**MINUTES  
OF  
THE TOWN OF RENSSELAERVILLE TOWN BOARD  
WORK MEETING  
OCTOBER 7, 2014**

The Work Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Rensselaerville was held on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October 2014 at 7 o'clock in the evening at the Rensselaerville Town Hall, 87 Barger Road, Medusa, NY. The meeting was convened by Supervisor Valerie Lounsbury and the roll was called with the following results:

PRESENT WERE: Supervisor Valerie Lounsbury  
Councilman Robert Bolte  
Councilwoman Margaret Sedlmeir  
Councilman Gerald Wood  
Councilwoman Marion Cooke  
Town Clerk Victoria H. Kraker

Also present was Highway Superintendent Randy Bates and two interested citizens.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

None

**MINUTES, VOUCHERS, AND BILLS**

Minutes to be accepted at the Regular Meeting on October 9, 2014:  
September 9, 2014 – Work Meeting  
September 11, 2014 – Regular Meeting  
September 16, 2014 – Special Meeting Zoning Review  
September 30, 2014 – Presentation of Tentative Budget

**TRANSFERS**

These will be addressed at the Regular Meeting on October 9, 2014.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Supervisor Lounsbury will read correspondence received at the Regular Meeting on Thursday.

**REPORTS**

Reports from the Supervisor, Attorney, Highway, Town Clerk, Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer, Assessors, Water/Sewer Committee, and Recycling Coordinator will be given at the Regular Meeting on October 9, 2014.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Councilwoman Cooke will give an update on the progress of the Newsletter at the Regular Meeting on Thursday.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. A date for a Public Hearing will need to be set regarding the renewal of the Gas Drilling Moratorium.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Councilman Bolte to go into Executive Session at 7:06 PM for the purpose of Union Contract Negotiations; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Sedlmeir.  
*Motion carried: Ayes (5) Lounsbury, Bolte, Sedlmeir, Wood, and Cooke; Nays (0).*

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to return from Executive Session at 7:16 PM; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Wood.  
*Motion carried: Ayes (5) Lounsbury, Bolte, Sedlmeir, Wood, and Cooke; Nays (0).*

### **AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

Jack Long announced that the ‘Old Songs Community Arts Center’ will present “The Anti-Rent Rebellion of New York State – Down with the Rent” documentary/musical on November 21 and 22, 2014 at 8:00 PM at the Old Songs Community Arts Center in Voorheesville, NY.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Councilman Bolte to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 PM; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Sedlmeir.  
*Motion carried: Ayes (5) Lounsbury, Bolte, Sedlmeir, Wood, and Cooke; Nays (0).*

Pending finality of the Meeting at 7:23PM, Superintendent Bates presented the following:

1. Superintendent Bates will be happy to construct the road through the Brookside Cemetery into the new portion that was donated by Earl and Ellen Potter, but is

concerned with the legality of it. Supervisor Lounsbury will contact the attorney in this regard.

2. The Town of Cairo has an Osh Kosh cab and chassis which may serve the Highway Department well in terms of parts. It has a good front axle which may fit the Town of Rensselaerville's Osh Kosh with the broken axle. Superintendent Bates is not sure if it is in fact, going to be for sale. In the alternative, Superintendent Bates has a snow plow which has never been used. The Town of Rensselaerville no longer has a truck that will fit this reversible plow, but the Town of Cairo does. Superintendent Bates may be able to work out a trade.

3. At the intersection of Bryan Road and County Route 353 is a "Y" intersection. These types of intersections date back to the days of horse and buggy and are very difficult to maintain. In addition, they are very dangerous and are being eliminated by the State and the County one by one. The Albany County Highway Commissioner has looked at this intersection and concurs that the "Y" should be eliminated and it be replaced with a "T" intersection. There is a concern as to who owns the property between the "Y".

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED;**

Victoria H. Kraker  
Town Clerk