



Town of Rensselaerville

The Hamlets of Cooksburg, Medusa, Potter Hollow, Preston Hollow, and Rensselaerville

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January Town Board Minutes Summary

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Rensselaerville was held on the 8th day of January, 2009, at 7 o'clock in the evening at the Rensselaerville Town Hall, 87 Barger Road, Medusa, NY. The meeting was convened by Supervisor Nickelsberg and the roll was called with the following results:

PRESENT WERE: Supervisor Jost Nickelsberg, Councilwoman Marie Dermody, Councilman J. Robert Lansing, Councilwoman Sherri Pine, Attorney Joseph Catalano

ABSENT: Councilman Gary Chase, Highway Superintendent G. Jon Chase
There were 38 interested citizens present.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Supervisor Nickelsberg mentioned that they are going to have audience comments after roll call and the audience comments at the end of the meeting. The comments at the beginning of the meeting will be relative to what we are talking about today.

- Marion Cooke, in the Town newsletter last month concerning the budget committee, she was wondering if there were any guidelines of what the budget review committee is going to be doing. What idea does the Town Board have for this committee?
- Richard Tollner, when you discuss the shared services on behalf of all of us there has been an example in Rensselaer County with seven different townships sharing the services of equipment and labor. The other evening you discussed that you have limited authority to make the Highway Department do things because you don't have the power over them. What would be necessary to impress on them the necessity of shared services to lower our expenses which would allow him to use more labor dollars and or to keep his budget form going from overtime and or the way to use rentals when we may not have to do that for certain types of equipment?
- KB Cooke would like to address the Board on legal issues.
- Bob Bolte mentioned that the garage is at 64 or 65 degrees.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Councilwoman Dermody to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 15, 2009; 2nd by Councilwoman Pine.

A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dermody to accept the minutes of the Organizational Meeting, January 1, 2009; 2nd by Councilwoman Pine.

A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried.

TRANSFERS: There were no transfers.

VOUCHERS/BILLS

January 21, 2009 - The General Fund - \$17,900.00; Highway Fund - \$22,766.95; Sewer District - \$25,816.86; Water District - \$690.96.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Pine to pay all signed vouchers, 2nd by Councilwoman Dermody.

A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried.

The Town Board needs clarification of the voucher for \$79.00.

CORRESPONDENCE

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Library Bookmark

Although the Library has a very small staff and limited resources, we continue to provide the Town of Rensselaerville with a wonderful selection of books, DVDs and audio tapes; programs for teens, children, and adults; a First Friday Movies Series; and membership in the Upper Hudson Library System (which allows our patrons to order and receive Library materials from the entire region). We are also a unique community resource, providing residents and friends with a warm, welcoming literary environment throughout the year.

Among other initiatives, this year the Library is tackling the preservation and restoration of our beautiful historic building. We are also trying to make the building more fuel efficient while at the same time, expanding our current space by restoring rooms in the basement. We have received a grant for \$30,000 that we need to match. These funds will be used for:

- Reconstructing our kitchen
- Renovating our basement
- Re-siding and insulating the rear of the building
- Installing new windows and an emergency exit door

The next **Library Board meeting** is on **Monday, March 16th at 7:00P.M.**



As the response to our recent appeal letter has shown, we live in a very generous community, and we are, as ever, grateful to all of our friends and neighbors who have contributed to our upkeep in these hard times. But we still need help! Every contribution, no matter how small, will help keep our Library safely housed for years to come while also allowing us to expand our services and collection. If you would like to make a donation, please mail it to: The Rensselaerville Library, P.O. Box 188, Rensselaerville, NY 12147.

**Note: The Library is also in need of an industrial-strength vacuum cleaner. If you are in a position to donate one, please contact the Library at 797-3949, or by e-mail at rvlll@uhls.lib.ny.us to arrange for transfer.*

First Friday movies continue: Please join us at **Conkling Hall on Friday, March 6 at 6: 30P.M.** for *Open Season 2*. Boog (Mike Epps) and Elliot (Joel McHale) are back for more crazy adventures! After falling head over hooves in love with Giselle (Jane Krakowski), Elliot's road to the altar takes a slight detour when Mr. Weenie (Cody Cameron) is kidnapped by a group of pampered pets determined to return him to his owners. Boog, Elliot, McSquizzzy (Billy Connelly), Buddy and the rest of the woodland creatures launch a full scale rescue mission for their sausage-shaped friend and soon find themselves in enemy camp: the world of pets. Led by a toy poodle named Fifi (Crispin Glover), the pets do not plan to let Mr. Weenie go without a fight. (Movie description courtesy of <http://videoeta.com/movie/98245>.) Run time: 76 minutes. Rated PG for mild rude humor.

Explore Your Shore @ Your Library! Come help the Library celebrate the upcoming 400th anniversary of Henry Hudson's famed voyage up the river that now bears his name! In honor of this milestone year, we have received a UHLS/LSTA 2008-2010 grant entitled *Explore Your Shore*. Upcoming events connected to this grant include:

- **Wildlife Alive! With Kelly Martin, Saturday, March 21 at 1:30P.M.** Come and see some of the wildlife Henry Hudson would have encountered in the land around the Hudson river on his famous voyage!
- **Grow Your Own Tulips! Saturday, March 28 at 11:00A.M.** Ring in Spring with some colorful Dutch tulips. Learn about this vibrant plant, native to the country that sponsored Hudson on his voyage, and plant your own to take home with you.

For both of the *Explore Your Shore* programs, parents and children are encouraged to come together. For more information, call the librarian on duty at 797-3949.

In preparation for National Poetry Month (April) the Library will offer two 1-hour poetry writing workshops for teens and children. A **"Kid's Poetry" workshop** (for children in grades 2-5) will take place on **Saturday, March 14 at 11:00A.M.** A **"Fantasy and Poetry"** workshop for teens will take place on **Friday, March 27 at 5:30P.M.** **Pre-registration is required!** Call the Library at 797-3949 or stop in to register.

Library Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday: 10:00 AM to Noon, 4:00-9:00 PM

Thursday & Friday: 4:00—9:00 PM

Saturday: 9:00-1:00 PM

Conkling Hall—What's On In March

Saturday, March 14: RHDA (Rensselaerville Historic District Assn.) presents the annual Irish Writers event in honor of St. Patrick's Day. Come read or listen to the words of Irish writers. 4:00 - 6:00 PM. Small sandwiches, beer and wine will be available.

Friday, March 20: Our own Noteworthy Coffeehouse. IZIMBRA will present a hilltown dance party in the vein of the Talking Heads. Doors open at 7:30 PM, music at 8:00 PM. Coffee and sweets available. Admission: \$10.00.

Pilates: Saturdays 9 - 10 AM Mat class. Strengthen your abdominals, gain long, lean muscles and work with good alignment. Appropriate for all levels. Open to all. Call Sarah Nelson-Weiss 239 6825 for more information.

Yoga: Tuesdays 9 - 10:15 AM. Move, breathe and relax. Good for what ails you. Open to all. Please call Sarah Nelson-Weiss 239 0825 for more information.

You can contact Conkling Hall at 518 797 3459 or read our website at www.ConklingHall.org. We send frequent email announcements/reminders about our events. If you wish to be added to the list, please give us your email address at Conkling-Hall@earthlink.net.

COMING IN APRIL: CONKLING HALL AND THE RENSSELAERVILLE LIBRARY PRESENT THE FOURTH YEAR OF OUR NATIONAL POETRY MONTH CELEBRATION.

Saturday, April 4: "Spoken and Sung" A recital of music and poetry by Sarah Nelson Weiss, soprano and Jan Bishop, soprano. This event will include a reading by poet Howard Nelson, author of *Creatures, Bone Music and Gorilla Blessing*. Mr. Nelson has a new book of poetry (*The Nap by the Water-*

fall) coming out this spring. 7:30 PM at Conkling Hall.

Saturday, April 18: The Favorite Poem Project.

All are invited to bring their "favorite poems" (from childhood, from school from anywhere!) To read and share with friends and neighbors. Last year almost 50 participants of all ages contributed. Of course, those who prefer to just listen are welcome as well. Refreshments will be available. 2:00 PM at Conkling Hall.

Sunday, April 19: Reading at the Rensselaerville Library by poet Gunilla Theander Kester. A native of Sweden, she is the author of one chapbook *Time of Sand and Teeth* -a part of the New Women's Voices Series from Finishing Line Press. She was recently a finalist for the May Swenson Poetry Award 2009 and was nominated for a 2010 Pushcart Prize from NJA Her full-length poetry manuscript *The Mountain: Grieving for Harmony* was a finalist in the Colorado Prize for Poetry 2005.

Anyone interested in reading his/her own poetry during our April celebration should contact Rensselaerville Library Trustee Linda Miller (797 9802). For more information about our events, please call the library at 797 3949.



Methodist Hill Road
Rensselaerville, NY
(518) 797- 3459



Tax Collection

Please take note that the last day to pay your land taxes at the Town Hall is March 31, 2009. If paying by mail, the postmark must be March 31st or earlier. On April 1st, the tax rolls will be turned over to the Albany County Department of Finance for collection.



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Senior Corner

Need Information? Elder Source Line (447-7177) has information about Senior Services to help in a variety of ways. Call between 8:30AM-12:30PM Monday through Friday. Call for free assistance with housing options, insurance counseling, benefits and entitlements, community resources, adult daycare, and caregiver options. This program is funded by United Way of Northeastern New York and Senior Services of Albany Foundation.

Senior Citizens Club: We meet on the second Tuesday of the month at the Medusa Firehouse at noon. \$1.00 is collected. ALL senior citizens are invited to join the club. Please bring a covered dish to share and/or dessert. Members need to bring their own plates and utensils. Coffee is provided.

Senior Van: Tuesday: Bryant's Center, Greenville

Thursday: Cobleskill (Wal-Mart) Monday, Wednesday and Friday: Van is available to travel to doctor appointments. Call Ann Vogel at 797-3376 regarding scheduling and/or arranging for van pick up.

Helderberg Senior Services: Lunches are served Monday through Friday at noon for \$3.75. The Grange would appreciate one day advance notice. Call Marie at 797-3652 between 9:00AM-1:00PM for information and reservations.

We need volunteer drivers!!!! If you have a valid driver's license and could volunteer a couple hours of your time now and then, it would be greatly appreciated. Contact Kathy Hallenbeck, Town Clerk, for more details.

Come join us for two events in March!

An Evening of Wine and Food Saturday, March 14

5:00 pm Cocktails with hors d'oeuvres, followed by a 6:00 pm Dinner
Enjoy a seasonal, five-course tasting menu paired with New World wines!
\$85 (plus tax and gratuity) per person
Reservations required.

Chef's Secrets Cooking Series #2: The Simple Way to Great Food Sunday, March 29

It's a full day from 9:30 am until a 5:30 pm family-style Dinner for participants and their invited guests! A foundation course of cooking fundamentals from knife skills to finishing touches.
\$125 (including all meals, beverages, tax and gratuity) per person
and per invited guest: \$25 for dinner (including tax and gratuity)
Registration required: space is limited so register today!



Carriage House Restaurant / 63 Huyck Road, Rensselaerville, NY 12147

Extra Helpings Food Buying Club — Available to Everyone

Extra Helpings is a program of the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York and is offered to the community through The Hilltowns Community Resource Center (HCRC) in Westerlo. The program is open to all individuals regardless age or income. Extra Helpings has changed the prices and the menus being offered. Anyone is welcome to purchase any or all of the package options. The menu for each month's Extra Helpings' offerings will still be published one month in advance. March's Extra Helpings menus are as follows:

March's Regular menu: \$21.00

- 3.75 lbs. avg. wt. Bavarian Holiday Ham Half
- 1 lb. Natural Polish Kielbasa
- 1 lb. Hamburger (90/10)
- 1 lb. Pkg. Chicken Patties
- 1 pint Grape Tomatoes
- 1 Cantaloupe

Special #1: \$ 19.00

- 8.5 lb. avg. wt. Spiral-Cut Ham

Special # 2: \$ 13.25

- 2 lb. Bag Cooked Shrimp (peeled/deveined IQF 41-50 count)

Special #3: \$32.00 MEAT BOX

- 2 lbs. Cranberry & Apple Stuffed Pork Chops
- 3 lbs. Honey Mustard Flavored Chicken Breast
- 3 lbs. Home Style Beef Patties
- 3 lbs. Maple Breakfast Sausage Links
- 3 lbs. Chicken Patties

(Substitutions of equal value may be necessary due to availability.)

PLEASE NOTE: Orders with payment are due at the HCRC office by March 5th for pick-up on **March 24, 2009**. HCRC distributes Extra-Helpings at the Rensselaerville Firehouse from 11:30 to 12:30 p.m. and at St. Bernadette's Church in Berne from 11:30 to 12:00 p.m. on delivery days. The pick-up site must be noted with each order. Anyone wishing more information regarding Extra-Helpings or other Hilltowns Community Resource Center services, please call 797-5256. HCRC's mailing address is P.O. Box 147, Westerlo, NY 12193. Please include your phone number on all correspondence.

An Invitation to Town of Rensselaerville Business Owners

As a business owner since 1988, the greatest asset to our business has been advertisements, which still pay for itself in our sluggish economy. Our Town newsletter provides our residents with a view of our products & services at a low cost. You are able to target the people in your locale, minimizing your travel expenses as well.

So, with spring around the corner, this is a great time to start advertising in our monthly newsletter! It's a win-win situation for all!

James Glorioso
Member, Newsletter Committee



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Church Services

Preston Hollow Baptist Church

Route 145, Preston Hollow,
239-6544
Worship: Sunday - 11:00AM

Rensselaerville Presbyterian Church

Summer Session Worship - 11:00AM
Coffee Hour following Mass

United Church of Christ

Medusa, 239-6119
Worship: Sunday - 10:00AM

Trinity Episcopal Church

Trinity Lane, Rensselaerville,
797-5395
Holy Eucharist & Church School Sunday
11:00AM

Potter Hollow Union Church

4824 Potter Hollow Mountain Road
Potter Hollow, 263-4478
Worship: Sunday - 10:00AM
Coffee Hour & Sunday School—11:30AM
Call for Bible Study and Prayer Group

POST OFFICE INFORMATION

Rensselaerville: 797-3231
Medusa: 239-4826
Preston Hollow: 239-6111

US Census Test Saturday, February 28th – 10:00 a.m. Rensselaerville Town Hall

A representative from the US Census Bureau will be accepting applications and administering tests at the Rensselaerville Town Hall on the listed dates to anyone interested in employment with the US Census.

The 2010 Census - A Great Way to Earn Extra Money NOW

Please note that the US Census Bureau is recruiting NOW to hire thousands of temporary part-time census takers for the 2010 Census in the Capital District. The pay is good, (\$11.00 - \$18.75, depending upon the job), the hours are flexible, and the work is close to home. CALL 866-861-2010 to apply. The Census practice test is available here:

http://www.census.gov/2010censusjobs/documents/Practice_Test.pdf

Census taker jobs are excellent for retirees, college students, persons who want to work part-time, persons who are between jobs, or just about anyone who wants to earn extra money while performing an important service for their community.

Every 10 years, a census of our population is conducted. The results help determine your representation in government, as well as how federal funds are spent in your community on things like roads, parks, housing, schools, and public safety. As a census taker, you'll play a vital role in making sure that everyone is included.

All census takers must be able to speak English, but bilingual skills in English and other languages are needed in communities that have a large number of residents who speak a language other than English. If you have such skills, we encourage you to apply.

Besides good pay, you'll have flexible hours, paid training, and the chance to work within your own community. You'll earn a place in history, as well as work experience you can add to your resume.

For further information, go here: <http://www.census.gov/2010census>

Potter Hollow Union Church News

Potter Hollow Union Church Fellowship Hall * 4824 Potter Hollow Mt Rd. * Potter Hollow, NY
 nathandmiles@hotmail.com * (518) 263-4478

Sunday Morning Activities

Morning Worship

10am

Mustard Seed Coffee Hour & Adult

Bible study

11:30am

Youth Bible Hour

11:30am

Thursday Night Bible Study

6:30pm - call for location

**"Digging into the Truth"
 A Children's Adventure**



Fridays 4pm – 5pm

3 yrs - 6th grade

**We'll be walkin' through the Bible,
 watching the Bible come to life!**

Call to verify; we will not be having clubs on nights
 Town Park has scheduled activities

Kim Aloisi (518) 239-4732

OR

(518) 263-4478

Free Marriage Seminar



Starting on March 22nd, Potter Hollow Union Church will be hosting a free marriage seminar. Michael Ryan will be speaking on topics including the role of a husband and wife, conflict resolution, Godly boundaries in marriage and more. Sessions will be held Sunday evenings from 6pm-8pm and go for five weeks.

Michael is the director at Good Tidings Bible Conference and has been married to his wife Judi for 20 years. God has blessed them with 7 children. He has been a pastor and Bible teacher for 18 years

March 7th, 2009

We will be hosting a

Free Women's Health Seminar



From 2:00-4:30pm

The guest speaker will be Judi Ryan, Doctor of Naturopathy. Judi has been a Doctor of Naturopathy since 2004 and has helped many women with various health issues, including infertility, menopause issues, and natural hormone replacement therapy. She will be discussing a variety of health issues focusing primarily on hormones and how they affect a woman's health.

Please call for directions or if you have any questions.

Ladies, you don't want to miss this!



March 15th 7pm

FREE movie night, FIREPROOF is a powerful story of a marriage in trouble, and the struggle to restore love and respect in order to prevent divorce. FIREPROOF landed the number four slot in the box office and is an absolute must see for every married couple and anyone ever considering marriage.

We want your input. If there is a need in the community or a workshop topic you want to see covered, give us your feedback and ideas. Call or e-mail Pastor Nathan with your thoughts.

NEED HELP PAYING YOUR HEATING BILLS?

The following Fuel Assistance Outreach dates have been scheduled:

03/02/09	Hilltown Resource Center, Westerlo, 12:30pm-3:30pm
03/05/09	Cornell Cooperative Extension, Voorheesville, 3:00pm-6:00pm
03/11/09	Hilltown Family Center, East Berne, 9:00am-12:00pm
03/12/09	Rensselaerville Town Hall, 12:30pm-3:30pm
04/02/09	Cornell Cooperative Extension, Voorheesville, 3:00pm-6:00pm
04/06/09	Hilltown Resource Center, Westerlo, 12:30pm-3:30pm
04/15/09	WIC, Lutheran Church, Berne, 9:30am-12:30pm
05/07/09	Cornell Cooperative Extension, Voorheesville, 3:00pm-6:00pm
05/04/09	Hilltown Resource Center, Westerlo, 12:30pm-3:30pm
05/13/09	Hilltown Family Center, East Berne, 9:00am-12:00pm
05/14/09	Rensselaerville Town Hall, 12:30pm-3:30pm

Cornell Cooperative Extension/CHOICES

Faith Plaza, Route 9W

Ravena, NY 12143

756-8650

***You can apply any day between 8:30am-4:00pm at CHOICES**

Wanted: School Board Liaison

The Town Board is seeking individuals interested in serving as liaisons between the Town of Rensselaerville and the two major school boards in our township, Middleburgh Central School and Greenville Central School. This request is prompted by recent articles in the press regarding MCS that highlight our lack of representation and voice as to how our tax dollars are being spent. The positions would require attendance at school board meetings and a willingness to report back to the Town Board and interested citizens during our monthly Town Board meetings.

Those interested and willing to serve their Town in this capacity are encouraged to write a letter of interest to the Town Board and submit them to Town Clerk Kathy Hallenbeck by March 31, 2009.

CLAM CHOWDER



AT THE MEDUSA FIRE HOUSE

MARCH 6th

PICK UP AND/OR LUNCH

11:00 AM TO 1:00PM

MANHATTAN OR NEW ENGLAND CHOWDER

\$5.00 PER QUART

PRE-ORDER OR LATE PICKUP

CALL 797-3455

Hilltown Market & Natural Food Co-op Lives

The Hilltown Market & Natural Food Co-op lives! A rejuvenated board and motivated community have made the difference in leading us through what was a challenging November and December. Thank you to all the helping hands. As winter moves on, we'll continue to need your support to survive through these lean times. We're now fully run by working member volunteers. As the store - *your store* - moves into its third year of existence, we can proudly lay claim to the title of Food Cooperative.

The store is well stocked and new brand names are sitting on the shelves beside tried and true favorites that were there previously. We are striving to satisfy our diverse community's needs, desires, and hopes for your local corner grocery store. We're working to transform the community's requests into action. Come in to shop for local milk, eggs, cheeses, meats, onions, honey, maple syrup, baked goods, and more. You can even special order bulk and case products at a 10% discount.

Should you want to volunteer, join a committee, join the board, become a paid member, or share your comments on the Hilltown Market Co-op, feel free to call the store (797-3144) or email board president, Justin Behan, at justinlakebehan@yahoo.com. Comments and suggestions are also welcome at our board meetings. Contact a board member if you wish to attend.

Our winter hours are: Mon - Weds 1-7. We are closed Thursday. Fri 9-7, Sat 9-5 and Sun 10-1. Come enjoy shopping with our friendly member workers - your friends, family, and neighbors helping to keep local food and local business alive.

FACTS ABOUT MARCH

According to the Georgian calendar, March is the third month of the year. According to the early Roman calendar, it was the first month and it was called Martius. The ancient Romans later made January 1 the beginning of the year, and March became the third month of the calendar. March has always had 31 days. Its name honors Mars, the Roman God of war.

The winter ends with March and in comes Spring. Spring in the northern half of the world begins when the sun is directly over the equator, usually around the 20th of March. March can either feel wintry with many blustery winds and cold days, or springy with many mild sunny days.

“Quagmire’ MY BUTT!” “Dictator Out, Free Elections In!”

Regardless of your views of the war, our soldiers are truly great Americans.

Friends, Freedom is NOT Free! It's been paid by the veterans from the Revolutionary War to the current Iraq and Afghanistan.

Our Soldiers deserve more respect than the lip service given of “It's a Quagmire!”

It's not a quagmire, it's a war. Our troops have goals and missions, and they deserve the respect of finishing them. Soldiers don't lose wars, Politicians DO!

I, along with many other Vietnam Vets, will be damned to let you be treated as we were when we came home.

So to the Soldiers - A Great Big Salute! From an old Vietnam Vet who knows the cost of war. May you come home safely, with the respect and honor you deserve!

Buck Sergeant E-5,
Stephen Wood

Decorated with the Purple Heart and Combat Infantry Badge...to name a few.

SAY IT LOUD IF YOU THINK IT!

TOWN OF RENSSELAERVILLE CONSERVATIVE PARTY



In 2008, the Conservative Party of the Town of Rensselaerville was officially registered with the Albany County Board of Elections.

Committee people and officers are as follows:

Robert Bolte - Chairman	
Steve Wood - Vice Chairman	
Joan Johnston - Treasurer	
Sara Packard - Secretary	
Kenneth Cooke	Marion Cooke
Robert Johnston	David Lewis
David Packard	

Our purpose is to promote honesty, integrity, and accountability in government. We are watching on how YOUR tax money is being spent in the Town of Rensselaerville. Regardless of your enrolled party, we welcome your comments, ideas, support, or concerns. Feel free to contact any member.



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It's A *Quagmire!* Bring Them Home Now

John & Nancy La Rocca; Mark La Rocca & Nina Nsilo Swai; Tim Lippert; Tom & Kathy Mikulka; Sonny & Sue Shufelt; Michael Benedict; Jeff & Sherri Pine; Justin Mikulka & Elise VanAllen; Kerry McFarland; Robert and Beth Whiteman; Gordon & Elise Enk; Richard & Nadia Creamer; Sue & Jay McChesney; George & Carolin Dempsey; Richard & Mary Ann Ronconi; Greg Hostash; Roswell Eldridge; Roger and Bonny Gifford; James Walker; Robert Scardamalia; Bill & Barbara DeMille; Tom & Marion Frowein; Cynthia Willis; Dick Sabol; Dave & Mary Bryan; Ben Bryan; Emily Bryan; Bill & Kathie Quackenbush; Virginia Carter; Joann Eckstut; Tim & Linda Miller; Wayne & Charlene Teter; Kevin & Katherine Ceroala; Rich & Linda Snyder; Robert Mitchell and Cecile Gleason; Jenny Shufelt; Greg & Diane Bischoff; Helen Tworokov; Gordon & Tracy Benson; Dian Ryan; M. Steven Dickerson; Kathy Daniels; Phil Sheehan and Nancy Ortner.

Groups and Organizations: The Chatham Peace Initiative; Veterans for Peace (Hudson Valley); NY Veterans Speak Out; Olean Area Coalition for Peace and Justice; Bethlehem Neighbors for Peace; Troy Peace Action; Upper Hudson Peace Action; Women Against War; Veterans for Peace (Chapter 10, The Tom Paine Chapter); Schenectady Neighbors for Peace; Vietnam Veterans Against the War; PaxChristiMi.org; Michigan Peace Works; Vietnam Veterans for America

Say it out loud if you think it. +++++ Thank You To New York Civil Liberties Union

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**Town of Rensselaerville Invoice/Voucher
Requirements & Procedures**
(Approved at the February 12, 2009, Town Board meeting.)

Introduction: In a concerted effort to enhance efficiency and accuracy in the auditing and payment of Town of Rensselaerville's invoices and vouchers, the following requirements and procedures are hereby adopted and compliance is required as a condition of payment

A. Vouchers: All invoices and requests for payments shall be prepared and submitted to the Town of Rensselaerville as follows:

1. A fully completed voucher form must be attached as the first sheet to the bill, invoice, or any other request for payment except for those monthly bills which the Town Board has authorized to be paid without vouchers (such as utility bills). The voucher submittal must include the following: (The voucher may reference the attached invoice which must include the required information listed below.)

- description of the services rendered or products/materials delivered;
- the date(s) of services rendered or products/materials delivered;
- place of delivery;
- delivery tickets/load tickets for materials/products delivered to the Town appropriately signed at the time and place of delivery and dated by a Town employee/official;
- date of invoice;
- the per item cost;
- the quantity of services/materials/products;
- the balance due;
- the original signature of the individual or company representative verifying the truth and accuracy of the information on the voucher;
- Each voucher must correspond to one invoice except in cases where there are multiple invoices applicable to a specific project, job, or service. In such case, a voucher may include more than one invoice or bill provided those invoices are applicable to and identified with a specific project, job, or service.
- noncompliance with the above requirements will result in the rejection and return of the voucher;
- other attachments/information/documentation as necessary;

2. Submission - Vouchers applicable to the General Fund must be submitted to the Town Clerk. Vouchers applicable to the Highway Fund must be submitted to the Highway Clerk. In order for a voucher to be authorized for payment by the Town Board, the voucher (meeting the above requirements) must be submitted to the Town Clerk/Highway Clerk on or before the Friday prior to the regular Town Board meeting which occurs the second Thursday of every month. Vouchers submitted after said day will be processed and presented for payment at the following Town Board monthly meeting.

B. Processing Procedure: Vouchers will be processed as follows:

- All vouchers must be submitted to the Town Clerk/Deputy Town Clerk/Highway Clerk who will initial and time-stamp the voucher with the date of receipt. Any voucher without a Town Clerk/Deputy Town Clerk/Highway Clerk initial and/or time-stamp will not be processed.
- The voucher will be logged-in on the tracking system log.
- The Town Clerk/Deputy Town Clerk/Highway Clerk will review the voucher with respect to the requirements above:
 - a. If all requirements are satisfied the voucher will be assigned a budget code and then forwarded to Clerk1/Bookkeeper where they will be assigned a Town of Rensselaerville voucher number;
 - b. If all requirements are not satisfied, the voucher will be returned to the vendor for correction;
 - c. The status of this stage will be noted on the tracking system log.
- The voucher will then be presented to the appropriate Department head for his/her review and signature and then returned to Clerk1/Bookkeeper for inclusion in the vouchers that will be presented to the Town Board for payment.

C. Presentation for Payment

1. All vouchers which meet the requirements noted above will be presented to the Town Board at their regularly scheduled monthly meeting.
2. Vouchers will again be examined for compliance with the above requirements.
3. If in compliance, vouchers will be signed and payment authorized. Once authorized, all documentation including the check will be returned to the Town Clerk/Deputy Town Clerk/Highway Clerk for completion of its entry on Invoice Tracking System (check #, date of check, amount of check, date mailed).
4. If not in compliance, request for payment will be denied and vendor(s) will be contacted and/or vouchers with accompanying documentation will be returned to vendor(s) for correction.
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A notice was received from Young, Summer, Ward, Ritizenberg, Baker & Moore, LLC, Saratoga Springs, NY concerning a Notice of Application for New Telecommunications Facility in the Town of Westerlo.

REPORTS: Reports were heard from the following: Supervisor Nickelsberg, Town Clerk Hallenbeck, Attorney Catalano, Code Enforcement Officer Overbaugh, Assessor Pine, Town Justice La Plante, Town Justice Kraker and Assessor Pine.

Supervisor Nickelsberg reported on the following issues: shared services and consolidation. One of the legal issues Supervisor Nickelsberg had KB Cook speak about which concerned vouchers and that some were hand written, paid twice, no load slip attached.

Councilwoman Dermody mentioned that something needs to be done with the way we receive vouchers. They need to be stamped and recorded when they come in. She and Attorney Catalano will work on a written procedure on how to handle vouchers.

A motion was made by Supervisor Nickelsberg to give the paperwork to Bob Miller or Chris Delesandro of the District Attorney office to investigate this issue; 2nd by Councilwoman Dermody.

A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried.

The information will be taken to them and we will wait for their response.

The Town Board went over the Supervisor's financial report.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dermody to accept Supervisor Nickelsberg monthly report; 2nd by Councilwoman Pine.

A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: Superintendent Chase was absent, Attorney Catalano reported on the Pearson Road Culvert Project. Attorney Catalano reported that he and the engineer, Francis Bossolini, have been looking into the qualification of the low bidder for the project. They met with the individual from the company along with Superintendent Chase. It appears that the low bidder is a responsible bidder, and they recommend to the Town Board that they award the contract to Dan Hauling and Demo Inc. for \$298,000.00.

Councilwoman Pine asked about the FEMA funding.

There is \$135,000.00 earmarked for the Project which means we have to come up with \$163,000.00 to complete the project.

Supervisor Nickelsberg asked if we could repatriate the funds in the sewer district that may have not been paid back to the town when the project began.

Councilwoman Dermody mentioned that this must be investigated before any of that funding is used.

CLERK 1/BOOKKEEPER: Supervisor Nickelsberg mentioned that he would like to hire Andrea Cornwell for the position on Clerk 1/Bookkeeper. Ms. Cornwell would be salaried; this year it would be \$21,837.00 pro-rated from the hire date. Supervisor Nickelsberg would like her to start on Monday, January 12th.

A motion was made by Supervisor Nickelsberg to hire Andrea Cornwell for the position of Clerk I/ Bookkeeper, salary \$21,387.00 per year pro-rated from date of hire and that she perform all the duties listed in the job description; 2nd by Councilwoman Dermody.

A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried.

PEARSON ROAD CULVERT PROJECT - BID AWARD

A motion was made by Councilwoman Pine to award the bid to Dan's Hauling & Demo Corp, Albany, NY for the bid price of \$298,000.00; 2nd by Supervisor Nickelsberg.

A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried.

Attorney Catalano will work on the contract for the Town Board to sign.

TOWN CLERK: Town Clerk Hallenbeck reported the following collected for the month of December 2008; Town Clerk's Department - \$2223.25; paid to Supervisor Nickelsberg (fees/highway sales)- \$2111.39; paid to Albany County Treasurer (dog licenses) - \$30.55; paid to NYS Agriculture and Markets (spay/neutering program) - \$18.00; paid to NYS Environmental Conservation (sport license) - \$63.86; Franchise Fees - \$2720.00; Water Rents (2008 interest) - \$22.69; Sewer Rents (2008 interest) - \$21.72; Tax Collection (2008 penalties) - \$4741.68.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Pine to accept the Town Clerk's report for the month of December 2008; 2nd by Supervisor Nickelsberg.

A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried.

CODE ENFORCMENT OFFICER/BUILDING INSPECTOR: Code Enforcement Officer Overbaugh reported the following collected for the month December 2008: 1 Agricultural Use Permit, 2 Accessory Buildings, and 1 Zoning Residential

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Use; total collected -- \$476.00. Total collected for 2008 -- \$3641.59.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Pine to accept the Code Enforcement Officer's Report for December 2008; 2nd by Councilwoman Dermody.

A roll vote was taken and unanimously carried.

ASSESSING DEPARTMENT: The Cold War Veterans Exemption is available. The deadline to submit the paperwork is March 1st. The Senior Exemptions limits are on a sliding scale according to income. Assessor Pine explained both these exemptions to the audience. If they have any questions, please stop at his office.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Pine to accept the Assessing Department's monthly report; 2nd by Councilwoman Dermody.

A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried.

TOWN JUSTICE ANNUAL REPORT

JUSTICE LA PLANTE: Justice La Plante reported for the following cases for 2008; 90 Vehicle and Traffic; 20 Conservation; 12 Penal Law/Criminal Procedure Law; 1 Civil/Small Claims; 2 Family Court Act and 2 Agriculture & Markets for a total of 127 cases. Total collected -- \$11,305.00. (Complete report on file)

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dermody to accept Justice LaPlante's Annual Report for 2008; 2nd by Councilwoman Pine.

A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried.

JUSTICE KRAKER: Justice Kraker reported the following cases for 2008; 102 Vehicle and Traffic; 15 Conservation; 8 Penal Law; 3 Civil and Small Claims; 2 Ag and Markets; 2 Public Health Law; 2 NY Codes, Rules & Regulations and 1 Correction Law for a total of 135 cases. Total collected -- \$10,670.00. (Complete report on file)

A motion was made by Councilwoman Pine to accept Justice Kraker's Annual Report for 2008; 2nd by Councilwoman Dermody.

A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried.

CURRENT EVENTS:

- The Meeting Center is holding a snow shoeing contest on February 28, 2009.
- The Census Department will be holding test for jobs January 31, 2009 at 11 AM and 1PM at the Town Hall.
- Susan Lewis reported that the Cooperative Extension has a bin for dry cell batteries at the recycling station.

OLD BUSINESS

CPA: Supervisor Nickelsberg reported that the Town Board has interviewed for a CPA. They are concerned that the CPA that they bring in is capable of doing forensic accounting.

Based on what we need, Councilwoman Dermody has a tendency to go with Mr. Doyle except she has real concerns about his fee. We have \$5000.00 in that budget line and he charges a lot per hour for his service.

Supervisor Nickelsberg mentioned that this is a firm called Sickler, Torchia, Allen & Churchill.

Councilwoman Dermody, for the kind of information and service that we want, she thinks it is that kind of business that we need to respond to.

Supervisor Nickelsberg, it comes down to giving a specific job to Sickler, Torchia, Allen & Churchill. They are going to have to give us specific and constant monitoring as what they are going to do for us, how they are going to do it.

Supervisor Nickelsberg made a motion that we hire the firm of Sickler, Torchia, Allen & Churchill. (4091 Route 9, Stop 1, Hudson, NY 12534) to do a forensic accounting and or a complete audit of the Towns books.

Attorney Catalano mentioned that you should that they provide advice on an as needed basis to the Town.

Supervisor Nickelsberg, that is correct. 2nd by Councilwoman Dermody.

A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried.

BOARD OF ETHICS: Supervisor Nickelsberg reported that they have letters of interest from 4 people who would like to be on the Ethics Board.

Councilwoman Dermody mentioned that the Board needs to set up interviews.

The 20th of January was suggested to do this. The Town Board will give anyone interested in sitting on the Ethics Board to get a letter into the Town Clerk by January 12th. They can do this by letter or email.

Councilwoman Dermody, once we have all the names, we must invite them to come for an interview with the understanding that a majority of the meeting will be in executive session.

Supervisor Nickelsberg felt that this was a good idea and we should do this with all the committees.

WIND COMMITTEE: Councilwoman Dermody, the deadline for the Wind Power Committee is also the 12th. We are

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looking for people with diversity, different opinions, different point of views and get some sort of balance in that way.

Supervisor Nickelsberg mentioned to Mr. Abbott that he was on the original agenda, but since there weren't enough letters of interest, that we would wait for the 12th to see if any more came in.

Mr. Abbott would like anyone interested in the community to make contact with him and get a letter of interest to the Town Clerk by January 12th. This is a very important committee in the sense that it could have a large financial impact in a very positive way upon the Town if it was town owned.

Supervisor Nickelsberg, could you tell us how this works, with joint ownership?

Mr. Abbott, commercially there are two possible things that could happen. One is a large company coming in and making a contract with the homeowner where the town isn't getting much money. The Town could possibly recoup money by the value of the service. However, another radically different solution is it would be for the town to possibly have an ownership share in the wind power.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: The Town Board will also hold interviews for people interested in sitting on the Budget Committee. Anyone interested must get their letters in by January 12th. The Budget Committee will not be able to change the budget. They will look at the budget and make recommendation to the Town Board on where they can see changes can be made for the next budget year.

HALL OF FAME: The Town Board should also decide on who they are going to install into the Hall of Fame.

SPECIAL MEETING

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dermody to have a Special Meeting on January 20, 2009 at 7 PM to hold interviews for people interested in serving on the following committees: Board of Ethics, Budget Committee, Wind Power Committee and to also discuss candidates for the Hall of Fame; 2nd by Councilwoman Pine.

A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

RENSELAERVILLE WATER DISTRICT - WARRANT TO COLLECT WATER RENTS

A motion was made by Supervisor Nickelsberg authorizing the Town Clerk/Collector to collect water rents for the Rensselaerville Water District #1 in the amount of \$37,505.00 for the year 2009; 2nd by Councilwoman Dermody. (Warrant Attached)

A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried.

RENSELAERVILLE SEWER DISTRICT - WARRANT TO COLLECT SEWER RENTS

A motion was made by Supervisor Nickelsberg authorizing the Town Clerk/Collector to collect sewer rents for the Rensselaerville Sewer District in the amount of \$34,230.00; 2nd by Councilwoman Pine.

A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - RESIGNATION

Kenneth McCulloch submitted a letter resigning from the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mr. McCulloch has been on this Board since its beginning and will be missed. Supervisor Nickelsberg thanked him for his years of service to the Town.

A motion was made by Supervisor Nickelsberg to accept his resignation; 2nd by Councilwoman Pine.

A roll call vote was taken and unanimously carried.

PLANNING BOARD/ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS SECRETARY: Rebecca Platel has accepted a position in South Africa and will be working there for 90 days. The Town Board will contact the Planning Board and Zoning Board for ideas on how to fill this 90 day gap while Rebecca is gone.

ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS MEETING - RESOLUTIONS: The Association of Towns was contacted concerning voting on the resolutions. The Delegate or Alternate delegate must be present to vote on them. This cannot be done by proxy. Since no one is planning on attending the meeting, the Board will not vote on these resolutions tonight. If someone decided to go, they can be voted on at the February meeting.

PHONES: Councilwoman Dermody mentioned that we have very high phone bills. She would like to investigate cheaper phone services.

COMPUTER BACKUP: Radical Systems submitted a quote for a Tape Drive Backup, on site and off site and explained what the backup would do. They would come in and do a study. They would like to know what data the Town wants backed up.

Supervisor Nickelsberg suggested that they send an email to the Town and let us know what they need from the

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Town.

Attorney Catalano mentioned that there are probably state requirements concerning data that you need to backup. The Town Board will investigate what the State requires to be saved.

Supervisor Nickelsberg mentioned that we would probably need the minutes and financial data backed up.

We also have another company that has given us a quote on a backup system.

Radical Systems would be glad to come in and answer any questions concerning both quotes.

WEB PAGE: Supervisor Nickelsberg talked about a discussion room on the web page. He will have Mr. Styer, our web master, come down and explain this to the Board.

TOWN HALL: The Town Hall is in need a new toilet, a paper product provider, and someone to do heavy cleaning. Mr. Bolte will look at the toilet to see if it can be fixed. Councilwoman Dermody will look into paper products, and the Town Clerk will contact someone about heavy cleaning.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: Items discussed during audience comments were the temperature in the garage, why isn't the waste oil furnace running and the oil burners are. Lockable programmable thermostat should be installed on all those burners or disconnect the oil burners. The temperature in the garage should stay at 55 degrees.

Mr. Bolte volunteered to get information on lockable programmable thermostats for the Town Board.

Registration for the tanks was discussed. Councilwoman Pine will get the paperwork and talk to Superintendent Chase about the tank registration.

Rensselaerville Water District, have they been billed yet?

Councilwoman Dermody mentioned that at the December meeting it was suggested that Supervisor Nickelsberg send a memo to the Highway Department requesting that they create a bill for the services that they have done for the Water District.

Supervisor Nickelsberg mentioned that he will do it right away.

Is Clerk 1/Bookkeeper going to come to the Board meetings?

She will attend when requested.

This is a civil service building, isn't it? It is important that the Town drill a sanitary, satisfactory well to provide enough water for the building.

The Town Board needs to contact a well driller and get a quote and meet Albany County regulations.

When you did the procurement policy, we were assured by the Town Board that we would get more oversight on the money being spent. You need a system of checks and balances; there are no checks on the money we spend. You need accountability; there is zero accountability up there.

How many Clerk 1/Bookkeepers have we gone through in the last 3 years?

Supervisor Nickelsberg, at least 4.

The next one, how much are you paying her an hour?

Supervisor Nickelsberg, we are not paying her by the hour, we are paying her on a salary on a job by job basis. She is not full time and is on a contract basis, job performance orientated basis.

Supervisor Nickelsberg would like to get some information on swipe cards.

Mr. Tollner volunteered to get this information.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Supervisor Nickelsberg to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 PM, 2nd by Councilwoman Pine. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted;

Kathleen A. Hallenbeck, Town Clerk

NOTE: Full Town Board Minutes can be found on the Town website (www.rensselaerville.com) or at the Town Hall.



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We apologize for the necessity of having to implement this measure, but we hope you appreciate our efforts to control spending wherever possible.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Volunteer News and Events

Medusa Volunteer Fire Department

Company Meeting: Monday, March 2nd, at 8:00 PM

Drill & Work Meeting: Monday March 9th and February 16th at 7:00PM

Special Events: Clam Chowder— March 6 See ad on page 21

All You Can Eat Breakfast—See ad on page 21

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Is that a knock I hear on the firehouse door? A volunteer? Welcome, we can always use more....
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March:

- 2nd - 7pm Company Drill
- 4th - 7pm Ladies Battalion
- 9th - 7pm Company Drill
- 25th - 7:30pm Company Meeting
- 28th - 4pm-6 Battalion Chicken Barbeque

Special Events -

- 3/28 - 4pm to 6pm Take Out Chicken Barbeque Pre-sale tickets available in February
- 4/11 - 2pm - Easter Egg Hunt

Tri-Village Volunteer Fire Department

Company Meeting: Wednesday, March 4th at 8:00PM

Rensselaerville Volunteer Ambulance Department

Company Meeting: Wednesday, March 18th at 7:00PM



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Tuesday 7:00 pm
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Town Justice Court
Mondays 7:00 pm

Planning Board
First and third Thursdays 7:30 pm

Zoning Board of Appeals
First Tuesday 7:00 pm

Building Inspector/Zoning Officer
Thursday 8:00-10:00am, 7-9 pm

Town Clerk's Hours
Monday-Wednesday 9:00am-3:30pm
Thursday 1:30pm-7:30pm
Friday: 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Supervisor's Hours
Wednesdays 10am - 12 pm
Home office 7 days 7:30am - 10:30pm

Assessors' Hours
Thursday 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

Assessors' Clerk Hours
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday morning

Dog Control Officer
Cheryl Baitsholts
518-797-5201

Town Refuse Station Hours
Wednesday and Saturday
7:00am-3:45pm

Water/Sewer District Meeting
First Thursday 7:00 pm

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Victoria Kraker

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Joseph Catalano

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Social number - 239-6780

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Social number - 239-6166

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