

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD**  
**TOWN OF RICHLAND**  
**1 BRIDGE STREET, PULASKI, NY**

**DATE:** January 9, 2018

**KIND OF MEETING:** Regular Monthly Town Board Meeting

**PLACE:** Grand Jury Room, H. Douglas Barclay Courthouse Pulaski, NY

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Supervisor Dan Krupke  
Councilman Kern Yerdon  
Councilman Allen Goodsell  
Councilwoman Sue Haynes  
Councilwoman Donna Gilson

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** CEO/ZEO John Howland  
Highway Superintendent John Fox  
Town Attorney, Allison Nelson,  
Town Clerk, Millie Newcomb, Roselyn McVicker, William  
McVicker, Craig Sternberg, Dale Bigelow, John & Susan Kimball, and Melvyn Minot,

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m. with Supervisor Krupke leading in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR LL#1 - TOWN ZONING REGULATIONS AND ENVIRONMENTAL**

**ASSESSMENT FORM:** Mr. Howland explained to the attendees that 2 members of the Planning Board, 2 members of the Zoning Board of Appeals, Attorney Allison Nelson and CEO/ZEO Howland have been working on the changes for almost 1 year. Zoning was last updated in 1998.

New maps are included. Major changes are Rainbow Shores Hotel area, The Selkirk Shores Lighthouse area and Co. Rt 5 area from the Corner of Route 3 down to the Lighthouse on the on the left side there are 4 large parcels that are included for Commercial purposes. Mr. Howland would like to Thank all members of the Zoning and Planning Board and Attorney Nelson for all the time and hard work. With no other comments , A motion to close the Public Hearing was made by Councilman Yerdon and seconded by Councilwoman Gilson. In a roll call vote, all were in favor with a vote of **"AYE"**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Residents of Hager Drive were in attendance to talk about the latest news about the case involving the Right of Way. Mr. McVicker is hoping the Town Board sticks with the decision not to waiver about the decision of the Town Board not to put up barricades at the end of Hager Drive, the access to Lake Ontario. Mr. McVicker is going to get the property owners to write letters to the Judge asking him to make a decision and finally settle the issue of the right of way. Everyone is in agreement that the case has lingered long enough. Supervisor Krupke along with the Board will let Attorney Caraccioli know that the Board is going to stand by the earlier decision, that the Town has defined this as a road and will maintain it as such for the welfare and safety of the people and will comply with Road and Highway Standards.

**WATER REPORT:** Minutes for January 2nd were presented.

**ZONING AND CODE REPORTS:** Year end reports are submitted and are pretty much self explanatory. Planning Board has switched meeting time to the third Monday of each month due to the Town of Richland Court night change. At the end of 2017 Melvyn Minots term on the Planning Board has ended. CEO/ZEO Howland asked the board to reappoint Mr. Minot to another 5yr term. Kerry LaVeres term ended the end of 2017. There is an opening on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Bill Hollis is an alternate and prefers to stay in that position. They meet on the third Tuesday of the month. They meet maybe 2-4 times a year. The Planning Board meets every third Monday. The Boards are all filled with the exception of the ZBA. Supervisor Krupke would like an update to identify structures that need to be demolished. The Town has about \$5000 set aside and more was added this year for demolition of such properties. If the Town can identify properties and prioritise it, then maybe the Town can get with City to look at it and get on their list. Then maybe the town can move forward. Mr. Howland said in the spring, he will go out and look at properties and any Board member is welcome to come along. Councilwoman Gilson would like to get a handle on "zombie" properties and get them cleaned up. Supervisor Krupke would like to get a task force together, maybe a member of all the boards to ride around and look at different the properties. As of now, Councilwoman Gilson and Councilman Goodsell are going to ride with Mr. Howland as soon as weather permits. As of the first of the year, Oswego County has changed the process in which they take possession of a property. The time that a homeowner could be behind in taxes was 3 yrs 10 months. They have now moved that to 2 yrs. Mr. Howland feels it may help with the clean up. Councilman Yerdon would like to get more Town people interested in getting on the Board. Notices will be posted on The Towns Website, [townofrichland.org](http://townofrichland.org) and also the Town of Richlands Facebook page about openings on the different boards in the Town. A motion to reappointment Melvyn Minot to the Planning Board was made by Councilman Yerdon and seconded by Councilman Goodsell. In a roll call vote, all were in favor with a vote of "AYE"

**DOG REPORT:** Dog report for December is presented. Attorney Nelson will send the intermunicipal agreement to the Town of Albion for Dog Control.

**HIGHWAY DPW UPDATES:** At the last meeting, the Board talked about setting a date for the Public Referendum. Supervisor Krupke checked into the Voting machines at the Elementary School. The Voting machine that they own is not in service. Town Clerk Newcomb check with the County to see if they rent there machines out and was told they do not. So at this point, it looks like the Vote will be with a paper ballot. Attorney Nelson says its used a lot on Water District votes. The date to vote on the Referendum will be on Tuesday, April 17th in the H. Douglas Barclay Courthouse, Grand Jury Room. The hours will be 12:00 pm until 7:00pm. Attendee is up to the Board. In a Special Election, the resident must be a registered voter. **A motion to approve the Bond Resolution for April 17th 2017 from 12pm-7pm and by paper ballot** was made by Councilman Goodsell and seconded by Councilwoman Haynes. In a roll call vote, all were in favor with a vote of **"AYE"**. The thought of having another Public Information session was brought up by Supervisor Krupke. Councilman Yerdon feels it's not necessary since the Town has had 4 other public meetings. The last meeting was attended by 45 people with the concern being to have a public vote.

**HIGHWAY REPORT:** Town Plows have plowed 62 times in the month of December. Town Board members have had several people complement the Highway Department with the conditions of the roads in the Town of Richland this winter. Equipment is holding up well. The usual things break. At this time, the Town is over 100" snow for the season.

**SUPERVISOR REPORT:** No report

**NOCA REPORT:** 4TH Quarter report. Also the NOCA contract. A motion was made by Councilwoman Haynes and seconded by Councilman Goodsell for The Town of Richland to enter into agreement with Northern Oswego County Ambulance. In a roll call vote, all were in favor with a vote of **"AYE"**.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING BOARD MINUTES/UPDATES:**

**JUSTICE REPORTS:** No report

**WARRANT OF BILLS:** A motion to approve abstracts # 14 2017 and #1 of 2018 was made by Councilwoman Gilson and seconded by Councilman Yerdon. In a roll call vote, all were in favor with a vote of **"AYE"**.

**TOWN BOARD MINUTES:** No minutes at this time.

**CEMETERY UPDATES:** No updates. Cemeteries are closed for the year

**TOWN HISTORIAN REPORT:** No report

**LEGISLATIVE REPORT:** No report.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: Procurement Policy 2018, Investment Policy for 2018, Official Undertaking for 2018, Approve salaries of Elected , Appointed Officers and Employees of 2018, and Appointments and Resolutions of 2018.** A motion to accept the aforementioned items, was made by Councilman Yerdon and seconded by Councilwoman Haynes. In a roll call vote, all were in favor with a vote of **“AYE”**. Also included is the Paid Family Leave Act. AS of right now, Municipalities are EXEMPT. **Fernwood lighting District.** The situation with this district is some people are in it and some that should be are not. Changes would take effect on the 2019 Town and County tax. Bob North has been working on this project. Councilman Goodsell volunteered to help. A public hearing would have to take place to make the changes. Sales Tax Revenue is up in 2017 to \$25,000 extra in Sales Tax. The Tug Hill Conference is coming up the last weekend in March.

**A motion to Adopt Resolution for LL # 1** was made by Councilman Yerdon and seconded by Councilman Goodsell. In a roll call vote, all were in favor with a vote of **“AYE”** Supervisor Krupke would like to Thank John Howland all the Boards and Attorney Nelson for all the hard work they put in it.

**HALDANE BUILDING:** Councilwoman Haynes presented the Board with notes from the Salmon River Hockey Association. There will be a meeting on January 24th at 6:00pm. The Haldane is a community center and will stay a community center for all to use. The Hockey Association can lease the building per the contract. Summer Recreation will continue to be held there in the summer months. The Board wants to continue working with the association to make the Building a great place for events for the entire community. Supervisor Krupke met with Pop Warner today and Craig Sternberg offered his services to help design a Pavillion/ bathroom facility. The Town had budgeted \$42000 out of the grant for the pavillon. The Town is about \$8200 to the good after the chillers and roof came in under what was budgeted. Right now there is about \$50,000 out of the grant to put toward the pavillion. Also \$15,000 was put into exercise stations along the walking trail and \$10,000 for interpreted signage. There is a possibility that some of that money can be used toward pavilion with a bathhouse. Kristy LaManche is working with Jean Egenhofer planting that seed. Also we will not know about if the town does get the Snow Foundation Grant and probably won't until June or July. If the Town is awarded that money, then it can be put back toward the signage and exercise station. The pop warner or the Hockey Association has to realise that the pavillion and bathrooms are a community facility and will not be locked just for there use. The pavilion will have 2 bathrooms, a storage room, concession area and room for three or four picnic tables. The size will be 24x48 The style will be like what is there now. With nothing more to to bring before the Board,

**NEXT TOWN BOARD MEETING:** February 13,2018 at 6:00pm

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Yerdon and seconded by Councilwoman Gilson. In a roll call vote, all were in favor with a vote of **“AYE”**. **7:39 pm**

Respectfully submitted by

Millie Newcomb  
Town Clerk