

TOWN OF ROSENDALE
TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING
MARCH 5, 2025

Supervisor Walsh opened the meeting at 6:00 PM followed by the pledge of allegiance. A moment of silence was observed for Berenice FitzGerald and Glenn Bell.

<u>Present:</u>	Supervisor	Jeanne L. Walsh
	Councilmember	Ashley Sweeney
	Councilman	Marc Cassidy
	Councilman	Joseph Havranek
	Councilmember	Carrie Wykoff

Also Present: Kenneth Hasset; Deputy Supervisor, Jill La Fera; Assistant to the Supervisor and Joe La Fera; RMC Building Manager.

Public Input/Community Events

The Mana Café is opening on Monday April 7, 2025. It will be open 6:00 AM – 4:00 PM. Plant and Seed Swap is April 6th from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM and the Recreation Center being put on by the Rosendale Recreation Commission and Environmental Commission. The new playground is being installed and should take around 1 week to install.

Correspondence

EMS proposal was discussed.

Speaker

David Delardi; resident – discussed plans for Veteran’s Park to volunteer time, planting and upkeep. He was asked to speak the Rosendale/Tillson American Legion Post 1219 as that is their park.

Motions

Councilman Cassidy made a motion to accept the donation from David Delardi with approval from the Rosendale/Tillson American Legion Post 1219 and donation of mulch from Hidden Valley Lake Farm, 2nd by Councilman Havranek.

ROLL VOTE:	Councilmember Wykoff:	YES
	Councilmember Sweeney:	YES
	Councilman Havranek:	YES
	Councilman Cassidy:	YES
	Supervisor Walsh:	Recuse

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to set a Public Hearing for Charter Communications Agreement Franchise Renewal on May 7, 2025, at 6:00 PM, 2nd by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Other Business

A discussion took place about Heart and Soul advertising events that are not running and misinformation about being involved with these events.

Deputy Supervisor Kenneth Hassett attended the Bloomington Fire Company award ceremony. 62 Pride of Rosendale awards were given, and Joseph Hafner was acknowledged for his 70 years of service with the company.

Appointments/Resignations

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to hire Evan Norman as Police Officer for 40 hours per week at \$29.10 per hour effective 4/2/2025, 2nd by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to hire Aimee Bassett as Police Officer for 40 hour per week at \$29.10 per hour effective 4/2/2025, 2nd by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to accept the resignation of William Moylan from the Water and Sewer Commission effective 3/31/2025, 2nd by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to appoint Ken Smith to the Rosendale Water and Sewer Commission with a term expiring 12/31/30, 2nd by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to appoint Michael W. Moylan to the Rosendale Water & Sewer Commission with a term expiring 12/31/2027, 2nd by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Resolutions

4-2025-#1 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale authorizes the Supervisor to sign an agreement with the Rosendale Rapids Swim Team for the 2025 season, 2nd by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

4-2025-#2 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sign the agreement between the Town of

Rosendale and the Workplace EAP of Westchester Medical Center, 2nd by Councilmember Wykoff. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

4-2025-#3 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sign the annual software support contract for payroll with Williamson Law Book Company for \$2,225.00, 2nd by Councilmember Wykoff. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

4-2025-#4 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale extend local law #6 of 20245, camp moratorium until July 11, 2025, 2nd by Councilman Cassidy. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

4-2025-#5 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town of Rosendale authorizes the Supervisor to sign the agreement with Debbie Lan to hold five Song Club classes at the Rosendale Recreation Center, 2nd by Councilmember Sweeney.

ROLL VOTE: Councilmember Wykoff:	YES
Councilmember Sweeney:	YES
Councilman Havranek:	NO
Councilman Cassidy:	YES
Supervisor Walsh:	YES

4-2025-#6 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale authorizes the Supervisor to sign the agreement with Campbell & Son's Lawn Maintenance for Rosendale Plains Cemetery, 2nd by Councilman Havranek. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

04-2025-#7 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale to send a letter for the reduction of the speed limit on State Route 32 in Rosendale. The Town of Rosendale Chief of Police has made a formal recommendation for a reduction in the speed limit on State Route 32 within the Town of Rosendale, specifically in the area beginning at the intersection of State Route 32 and Grove Street to Madeline Lane. Given the significant increase in both vehicular and pedestrian traffic in this area he is proposing that the speed limit be reduced from 55 mph to 40 mph to enhance public safety and mitigate potential hazards; and additionally the Chief has recommended that the speed limit on State Route 32 from Madeline Lane through Washington Avenue and the Fann's Plaza be further reduced to 30 mph to ensure the safety of residents and businesses operating in that corridor. The speed limit should then be increased to 40 mph before gradually returning to 55 mph at Cornell Street. Town Board of the Town of Rosendale

directs the Town Clerk to send this resolution and letter to New York State Department of Transportation Deputy Regional Director Nikhil Natarajan, Ulster County Transportation Council, Senator Michelle Hinchey and Assemblywoman Sarahana Shrestha to request a reduced speed limit of 40 mph and 30 mph, 2nd by Councilman Cassidy.

ROLL VOTE: Councilmember Wykoff:	YES
Councilmember Sweeney:	YES
Councilman Havranek:	Recuse
Councilman Cassidy:	YES
Supervisor Walsh	YES

4-2025-#8 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale authorizes the Supervisor to enter an agreement with Masseo Landscaping Inc. For Community Center Playground edging, 2nd by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Audit of bills

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to audit the bills, 2nd by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

GENERAL FUND	ABSTRACT	4	VOUCHER#	110 – 145	\$24,917.47
HIGHWAY FUND	ABSTRACT	4	VOUCHER#	40 – 58	\$16,063.83
SEWER FUND	ABSTRACT	4	VOUCHER#	35 – 42	\$973.13
WATER FUND	ABSTRACT	4	VOUCHER#	32 – 42	\$2,137.15
RMC FUND	ABSTRACT	4	VOUCHER#	54 – 59	\$7,234.94
SPECIAL LIGHTING	ABSTRACT	4	VOUCHER	4	\$703.94

Executive Session

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to enter executive session at 6:52 PM for medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person/corporation, or matters leading to said dismissal, removal, promotion, appointment, employment, discipline, demotion or suspension, 2nd by Councilmember Wykoff. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES. Returned at 7:32 PM with no motions made.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to adjourn at 7:34 PM, 2nd by Councilman Cassidy. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mandy Donald
Town Clerk