**Town of Rushford Organizational Meeting**

**January 4, 2024**

**1:00 pm. Rushford Town Hall**

PRESENT: , Supervisor

Councilmen: Dennis Bliss, Ken McElheny, Randy Green, Deb Aumick

called the meeting to order at 1 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Town Board Committee Assignments and Supervisor Appointments for 2024

**Deputy Supervisor –** Dennis Bliss

**Committees:**

Finance

Dennis Bliss Budget

Highway Dept.

Legal/Legislation

Personnel

Summer Youth Program

Town Clerk

Zoning

Deb Aumick Planning

Assessor

Building Code Consortium

Randy Green Town Buildings & Park

Ken McElheny Energy Conservation

Liaison to Library Board

Dennis Bliss Liaison to Fire District/Department

Deb Aumick Liaison to Historical Society

Ken McElheny Liaisons to Labor Day Corporation

Randy Green

A motion was made by , seconded by to appoint as the Supervisor until December 31, 2024.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to appoint to fill the vacancy of a Town Board member until December 31, 2024.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to approve the 2024 Rules of Order for the Rushford Town Board.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to approve 2024 Salaries and Rates of Pay for Town Officials and Other Non-Bargaining Unit Town Employees, Full Time, Part Time and Temporary Not Covered by Collective Bargaining Contracts.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to establish Time and Place for Town Board Regular Meetings and Work Sessions in 2024.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by Pursuant to §25 of the Town Law and §11 (2) of the Public Officers Law a Motion is In Order to Approve Dishonesty/Faithful Performance Insurance Coverage for All Officers and Employees for the Year 2024. (Supervisor-$275.000; Town Clerk-$25,000; Tax Collector- $275,000; Town Justice- $10,000)

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to approve 2024 Community Bank N.A., M&T and NY CLASS (Supervisor only) as the official depository in which the Supervisor and Town Clerk Shall Deposit All Town Monies Coming into Their Hands by Virtue of Their Offices.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to appoint Town Clerk Tracy Pastorius as Records Access Officer and Supervisor as Appeals Officer for Town FOIL Requests for the Year 2024.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to reappoint Tracy Pastorius as the registrar through 12/31/2025.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to approve the reappointment of David Sabato to the Zoning Board (5 yr. term). Expiring 12/2028)

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to approve the appointment of ? to the Planning Board (5 yr. term). (Expiring 12/2028)

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to approve the reappointment of Terri Osburn as the Custodian for the Town Hall**.**

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by seconded by to approve the Re-Appointment of Jason Thomas as Commissioner of the Rushford Lake Recreation District (1 yr. term).

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to approve the reappointment of Trevor Hollenbeck as Animal Control Officer for the year 2024

Ayes 0 Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to approve the re-appointment of Becky Cole as Town Historian (1 yr. Term)

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to approve the re-appointment of Amy Brautigam as Secretary to the Zoning Board of Appeals and Richmond Hubbard as Secretary to the Planning Board for 2024.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to approve the re-appointment of Kevin Margerum, Mike Unfus, and Cory Burrows and Rich Rizzo as Code enforcement officers and zoning officers.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to approve Mileage Allowance for 2024 at $.67 Per Mile for the Use of Private Cars While on Town Business by Town Employees

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to approve Payment to Members of the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Planning Board in the amount of $25.00 per meeting and $35.00 for Chairman and Secretary per meeting for Their Services in 2024.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to reappoint Tracy Pastorius as the Registrar for the Town through 12/31/2025.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to designate the Herald Currier as the official town newspaper for Legal and/or Display Notices

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded to authorize the Supervisor to Subscribe to the Provisions of Section 29, Paragraphs 10 and 10-A of the Town Law Pertaining to the Powers and Duties of the Supervisor and the Preparation and Publishing of the Annual Financial Report for the Year 2023.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to approve the Supervisor as Chief Fiscal Officer of the Town, the Power to Issue and Sell Various Bonds, Notes and Note Renewals for 2024 and to Prescribe the Form and Content of Same Notes in Accordance with §30 and §50 of the Local Finance Law of the State of New York.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to approve Town Policies for the Year 2024(Public Access to Records; Sexual Harassment; Procurement; Investment; Emergency Action; Official Undertaking of Town Officials; Employee Personnel; Credit Card; Travel & Education; Returned Check; Computer Systems Security Breach Notification, Drug & Alcohol, Reimbursement)**.**

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by that pursuant to Town Law Article VIII §118, that the Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to pay claims of public utility services; defined as electric, gas, water, sewer, fuel oil, and telephone services; postage, internet charges and freight and express charges, in advance of submitted audit bills. All such claims shall be presented at the next regular meeting for audit, and the claimant and the officer incurring or approving the same shall be jointly and severally liable for any amount disallowed by the town board.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by that pursuant to Highway Law Article VII §142(1)(a), that the Town Board authorizes the Highway Superintendent to purchase equipment, tools and other implements to be used for highway maintenance, construction or reconstruction, snow plows or other devices for the removal of snow from the highways from moneys appropriated for that purpose, not to exceed $7,500, subject to the conditions of the Town Procurement policy, without prior approval of the Town Board, except in the case of emergency repairs where statutory limits would apply. All such claims shall be presented at the next meeting for audit.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to retain the law firm of Pullen & Richardson P.C. to provide legal services and prosecution of town laws and ordinances on behalf of the Town for 2024.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to retain Baldwin Business Services as the financial firm to handle bookkeeping s on behalf of the Town for 2024.

Ayes Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to reappoint Lynn Pomeroy as a member of the Ethics Board term to expire on 12/31/28.

4 Ayes 0 Nay Carried

A motion was made by , seconded by to adjourn to the Following Town Board Meeting to be held Monday, January 8, 2024 at 7 PM.

Ayes Nay Carried

Tracy Pastorius

Town Clerk

**Town Board Meetings- 2024**

**All Meetings of the Town Board meeting are held on the 2nd Monday of the Month Unless otherwise stated. The meetings start at 7:00 pm, and the Town Board work session at 6:00 pm.**

**January 4 Organization Meeting – 1 PM**

**January 8** **Regular Town Board Meeting (audit mtg @ 6PM)**

**February 12 Regular Town Board Meeting**

**March 11 Regular Town Board Meeting**

**April 8 Regular Town Board Meeting**

**May 13 Regular Town Board Meeting**

**June 10 Regular Town Board Meeting**

**July 8 Regular Town Board Meeting**

**August 12 Regular Town Board Meeting**

**September 9 Regular Town Board Meeting**

**October 15 (Tuesday) Regular Town Board Meeting**

**November 12 (Tuesday) Public Hearing on 2023 Budget (6 PM)**

**November 12 (Tuesday) Regular Town Board Meeting**

**December 9 Regular Town Board Meeting**

**December 27 Town Board Meeting 11 AM**

**(Year End Budget Transfers & Payment of Bills)**

**January 2, 2025 Organizational Meeting – 1 PM**

**2024 Salaries and Rates of Pay for Town Officials and Other Non-Bargaining Unit Town Employees, Full Time, Part Time, and Temporary Not Covered by Collective Bargaining Agreement.**

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| **TITLE** | **Salary/Rate of Pay** |  |
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| **Supervisor** | $8.912.00 | annual |
| **Town Councilmen** | $1.148.00 | annual |
| **Deputy Supervisor** | $1,061.00 | annual |
| **Town Clerk** | $31,102.00 | annual |
| **Superintendent of Highways** | $61,800.00 | annual |
| **Deputy Supt. Of Highways** | $3,500.00 | annual |
| **Animal Control Officer** | $2,334.00 | annual |
| **Assessor (Dustin Snyder)** | $18,755.00 | annual |
| **Court Clerk** | $8,214.00 | annual |
| **Deputy Town Clerk** | $15.00 | hourly |
| **Laborer- (part-time Parks)** | $ | annual |
| **Laborer- (part-time Town Hall)** | $15.00 | hourly |
| **Registrar of Vital Statistics (Tracy Pastorius)** | $500.00 | annual |
| **Town Historian (Becky Cole)** | $1,442.00 | annual |
| **Town Justice** | $11,330.00 | annual |
| **Motor-Equipment Operator (part-time Highway)** | $17.38 | hourly |
| **Planning Board Secretary** | $35.00 | per meeting |
| **Zoning Board Secretary** | $35.00 | per meeting |