

South Roxana Village Hall Regular Meeting Minutes November 6th, 2024 7pm

The November 6th, 2024, meeting was called to order by Mayor Callahan at 7pm.

Roll Call

In attendance was Terrah Bevolo, Greg Adams, Tammy Adams, Mayor TJ Callahan and Chief Bob Coles. Margaret Manley, Terry Chester and Anna Broadfoot were absent.

Amber Schultz wanted to inform residents about election packets and how to prepare them. She also asked what the spending limit per day is without board approval.

Jodi Hernandez wanted to congratulate the village employees for working together with the American Legion and Dad's Club Auxiliaries, which made the holiday events successful. Jodi set up a GoFundMe, raised \$250 and donated it to the American Legions Angel Tree Program.

Penny Price wanted to follow Jodi Hernandez in saying she loves seeing the community coming together. She is sad to say that there is a small group trying to keep the community separate and be a community of their own. She wants to go back to years ago when the village had events together. This group had multiple fundraisers to hold separate village events, and she would like to know where all that money went. As part of a non-profit organization, the Dad's Club Ladies Auxiliary, receipts must be kept for every penny spent and she has never seen receipts for this group that holds events. Specifically speaking about the 4th of July event that took place, the Dad's Club had to shut down bingo, no money was coming in and that hurt the community. The scholarships that are given out each year and resident utility assistance depend on money coming in and bingo is the main source.

Sue Hale, president of the Dad's Club Ladies Auxiliary, is very unhappy with how a certain individual is taking over their annual trunk or treat. Since it was taken over, Sue had been receiving complaints of how children aren't getting much candy from the event. This year, Sue took the event back and every kid left with full bags of candy. Sue stated the refinery would donate money to the events, in the past, and when Sue reached out to request donations the refinery said a donation was already given. Sue wants to know where all this money is going and where the receipts are. She wants to come together with the Village, but she can't work with Anna.

Greg Adams made a motion to approve the Minutes from the October 1st,2024, Board Meeting. Terrah Bevolo seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with a 3-0 result. Motion carried.

Greg Adams made a motion to approve the Bills from September 23rd to October 27th, 2024. Terrah Bevolo seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with a 3-0 result. Motion carried.

Terrah Bevolo made a motion to approve the Deposits from September 23rd to October 27th, 2024. Greg Adams seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with a 3-0 result. Motion carried.

Terrah Bevolo made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 24-14 Amending South Roxana Ordinance No. 14-16 To Amend Territory of The Riverbend Enterprise Zone. Greg Adams seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with a 3-0 result. Motion carried.

Terrah Bevolo made a motion to approve Resolution No. 24-35 Appointing the Designated IMRF Representative. Greg Adams seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with a 3-0 result. Motion carried.

Tammy Adams made a motion to approve Riverbend Outdoor Services Tree Bid. Greg Adams seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with a 3-0 result. Motion carried.

Terrah Bevolo made a motion to approve Paying Estimate #2 for the Senior Center. Greg Adams seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with a 3-0 result. Motion carried.

Chief Bob Coles thanked the Public Works employees for all their hard work cleaning up the village after the storm. Greg Adams also wanted to thank Mayor Callahan and Chief Coles for helping the residents clean up after the storm.

Mayor TJ Callahan was asked to read Chris Barnes resignation letter to the board members, to inform them of his recent resignation. Mayor Callahan became emotional and was unable to continue reading the letter. He handed the letter off to board member, Terrah Bevolo, to finish.

Greg Adams wanted to thank Chief Coles and Mayor Callahan for helping a young resident with an addiction problem he was having. They both helped get the resident a bed at the hospital and rehabilitated lined out.

Tammy Adams stated the Village Christmas Party will be held December 14th at 1pm. There will be pictures with Santa, the Grinch and Christmas arts and crafts for the kids.

Jeffrey Bowers requests the village code against chickens within village limits be amended. He has chickens and a rooster and would like to keep them since they help with a lot of nuisances like ants. Chief Coles said the ordinance was put into place many years ago to ward off wild animals into the village. Amber Schultz included that many other surrounding cities allow chickens and agrees the code should be amended. Chief Coles asked Ms. Schultz to gather info on other cities' ordinances, showing proof chickens are allowed and he will look them over.

Terrah Bevolo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30pm. Greg Adams seconded the motion. None opposed. Meeting adjourned.