

Schroon Lake Special Town Board Meeting
Held at the Town Hall

July 28 2025
1:00 P.M

Present:

Town Supervisor: Meg Wood

Councilpersons: Richard Gero, Lynn Donaldson and Leanne Welch Steve Miller-Absent

Town Clerk: Erica Hedden

Also Present: Ethan Thompson

Supervisor Wood called the presentation to order at 1:00 P.M. with a salute to the Flag.

Public Participation: None

REQUEST TO APPROVE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR TRAINEE

RESOLUTION #137-2025

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON DONALDSON

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON GERO

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve hiring Robert Haff as Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Trainee at rate of \$23.00/hour, grade 4, effective 8/11/2025

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves hiring Robert Haff as Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Trainee at rate of \$23.00/hour, grade 4, effective 8/11/2025

DULY ADOPTED JULY 28, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Supervisor Wood

ABSENT: Councilperson Miller

Supervisor Wood stated: the wage schedule is something we need to take a serious look at a budget time. All of our employees, we need to really look at where we are at and what a competitive wage is at. This position is a trainee position and it starts at \$23.00. We had this position open for a while and in the last couple of years we have advertised for it on a couple of occasions. This position requires special licenses as well as dealing with some unpleasant things.

Councilperson Gero stated: I was approached by an individual that when we have an open position, they thought there should be a note put in with every employee's paycheck. That ensures that everyone is aware of an opportunity. We do this, but verbally.

Councilperson Donaldson stated: the county doesn't do it in paychecks; they have a bulletin board.

Councilperson Gero stated: that was what I was going to recommend, a bulletin board at each location.

Town Clerk Hedden stated: what we do is, we have the bulletin board downstairs, the website as well as the Facebook page.

REQUEST TO APPROVE LETTER DECLINING REMAINDER OF 2025 PAY FOR COUNCILPERSON

DONALDSON

RESOLUTION #138-2025

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON GERO

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve letter declining remaining 025 salary of \$3,622.66 for the period extending from 7/16/2025 through 12/31/2025 for Town Board member Lynn Donaldson. Documentation per Lori Mithen-Demasi, NYAOT Chief Counsel on file.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves letter declining remaining 025 salary of \$3,622.66 for the period extending from 7/16/2025 through 12/31/2025 for Town Board member Lynn Donaldson. Documentation per Lori Mithen-Demasi, NYAOT Chief Counsel on file.

DULY ADOPTED JULY 28, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Supervisor Wood

ABSENT: Councilperson Miller

REQUEST TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF 45 LED HID RETROFIT LIGHTBULBS FOR TOWN OWNED STREET LIGHT FIXTURES - TABLED

Ethan Thomson stated: the light bulbs that were provided in the three quotes from Joy Koch, were the wrong bulbs.

REQUEST TO APPROVE PAYMENT TO LUCK BROTHERS FOR SIDE WALK WORK
RESOLUTION #139-2025

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON DONALDSON

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve a payment of \$38,850.67 to Luck Brothers Inc which includes an additional \$3,999.67 for changes to the sidewalk project due to adjustments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves a payment of \$38,850.67 to Luck Brothers Inc which includes an additional \$3,999.67 for changes to the sidewalk project due to adjustments.

DULY ADOPTED JULY 28, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Gero, Welch, Supervisor Wood

ABSENT: Councilperson Miller

REQUEST TO APPROVE HIGHWAY PURCHASE OF A USED SHED
RESOLUTION #140-2025

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON DONALDSON
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve Highway purchase of a used shed from the Schroon Lake Community Church in the amount of \$500.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves Highway purchase of a used shed from the Schroon Lake Community Church in the amount of \$500.00.

DULY ADOPTED JULY 28, 2025 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 3 NAYS: 0

AYES: Councilpersons Donaldson, Welch, Supervisor Wood

ABSTAINED: Councilperson Gero

ABSENT: Councilperson Miller

DISCUSSION: BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Ethan Thompson stated: I put together a list of items that I think need to be addressed. This is not an all-inclusive list, this list has many more items to it, but here are some of the bigger items.

- 1. Bandstand**
Cables for the bandstand, Order snow fence – Green
- 2. Parks**
Fairfield parking lot, drainage, engineering, paving, Roof, sheathing, insulation, door
- 3. Old Fire House**
Broad street doors, support behind one door, lot in back – in ground oil tank, front and rear entrances, insulation and ventilation on peaked rood side.
- 4. Town Hall**
Leland Curbing and drainage in rear, doors on w/s, bathroom fans and lighting upgrade, court records room water damage “face-lift”, Genrator for addition OR new for entire building, rear fence
- 5. Health Center**
Fairfield foundation: digging/ coating, fascia on north side of building, basement doors replaced, ramp and wall, drainage (roof right over basement door has water pouring down)

- 6. Highway**
Door seals for garage doors need replacing – Check with Overhead Door Co. contract, insulated mechanical louvres, re-do bathrooms and re-do kitchen, floors, plumbing
- 7. Golf Club House**
Retaining wall and stairs, remodel, check on leasing premises
- 8. Bath House**
New doors and locks, Hand dryers, mirrors, gutters, concrete at the doors
- 9. Transfer Station**
Hut: new window, siding, electronics shed, remove green box (scrap mental??)
- 10. Cemeteries**
Severance cemetery electric service, water service, fence repair
- 11. Misc**
Town wide master key, basketball court needs repainted, air strip crack seal and painting, docks need corner bumpers, ski town buildings to be removed

Ethan Thompson stated: this is an over view of some things that I need really need attention. I would love to get to everything on this list, THIS year. I have so many things on my list, I wanted to ask the board to see if there is anything we could, hire out for. Some of these jobs are a little bigger than myself, I can do them, but might be better in the hands of the professionals like the roof on the Parks building for example. I can do the work but it would take me longer than it would a crew and that's less time I have to get to the rest of the list.

ADJOURN MEETING AT 4:01 PM

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPEROSN GERO

SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH

With no further business, this meeting was adjourned at 4:01 PM, carried unanimously

Respectfully Submitted by:

Erica Hedden

Town Clerk