

**ROCKPORT SELECT BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2016  
4:00 P.M.  
ROCKPORT TOWN OFFICE  
RICHARDSON ROOM**

Present: Chair, William Chapman, Vice-Chair Kenneth McKinley, Tracy Lee Murphy, and Owen Casas. Geoffrey Parker was absent. Also present: Richard C. Bates, Town Manager; and Stacey Parra, Executive Assistant

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER – William Chapman, Chair called the meeting to order at 4:01 P.M.

II. NEW BUSINESS

a. A request of Kenneth & Linda Lent for a payment arrangement on their property taxes

Ken – maybe Linda could fill us in on this request.

Rick – my recommendation is that it is better to make a payment plan than to foreclose on their home. We did not want to force anyone out of their residence. We are not a real estate agent or a rental agent. We need to set up something that they can succeed with.

Mr. & Mrs. Lent – we should be getting some money from our income tax and should know tomorrow after we take a 1099 down to our accountant. We recently lost a home in Rockland to the bank. It looks like we will be getting something back and we should know tomorrow. By June we will no longer have a car payment and will be able to pay \$200.00 a month. We also have four or five trees to have cut and will get some money for them. One is a big oak tree.

Linda – I have figured out a per month payment plan and we would need at least \$297.00 for the next twelve months to avoid the foreclosure process again next year. A lot of it makes a difference on what you receive back on income tax and pay us. We can then recalculate the monthly payment.

Ken – we want it to work for you and to keep you in your home.

The Lents – we do as well.

**Kenneth McKinley moved to approve a payment plan for the owners of 39 Rachel's Road, Map 34 Lot 7 at \$300.00 a month starting on June 14<sup>th</sup>. Owen Casas seconded the motion. VOTE: 4 FOR – 0 OPPOSED**

Linda – I will type up an agreement plan and have the Lents sign it.

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III ADJOURN

**Kenneth McKinley moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:15 p.m. Owen Casas seconded the motion. VOTE: 5 FOR – 0 OPPOSED**

Respectfully submitted,

LINDA M. GREENLAW  
TOWN CLERK as RECORDING SECRETARY