

Town of Pompey Board Minutes

A Special Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Pompey was held on September 17, 2015. In attendance: Supervisor Carole Marsh; Councilors Carl Dennis, Gregory Herlihy, Giovanni LaFace and Victor Lafrenz; Budget Officer Tom Chartrand, Highway Superintendent Tom Purcell and Town Clerk Ann Christmas.

Supervisor Marsh called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for her service men and women.

Jim Wilcox from the Historical Society was present and updated the Town Board of the activities that they held this past year. He thanked the Town Board for their support.

A representative from the Delphi Falls Fire Department was present. They had unforeseen building and ground costs last year. They needed to take \$12,000.00 out of reserves to pay bills. The Town Board complimented their department on how efficiently it is run.

Bookkeeper Chartrand informed the Town Board that our worker's comp premium will be going up but he isn't sure on how much.

Supervisor Marsh stated that she had received an email asking for a meeting with The Preserve Homeowners Association on Saturday, September 19th at 2 p.m. Councilor LaFace agreed to go with her. One of their concerns is drainage in their development. Highway Superintendent Purcell stated that there is an easement there. They cleaned it out three years ago but the residents keep putting grass clippings into it. He will be meeting Steve Snell there next week to see what can be done.

Supervisor Marsh stated that she had received a letter from the Unified Court System. The court records have not been audited by the Town Board for the past two years. We need to get them audited as soon as possible.

David Stringer has contacted the Town. He owns a parcel of land on Oran Delphi Road. He wants to give it to the Town. It was decided that the land is very wet and would be of no use to the Town.

R-115-15 Made by Dennis, seconded by Lafrenz to participate in the CNY Stormwater Coalition Staff Services and Education Compliance Assistance Program for the coming year at a cost of \$3,600.00. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-116-15 Made by Dennis, seconded by Lafrenz to approve the payment of General Fund Abstract Nos. 259-270 totaling \$4,600.25; Highway Fund Abstract Nos. 137-143, totaling \$50,940.44 and Special District Abstract Nos. 28-30, totaling \$2,153.66. All in favor. Motion carried.

The balance of the meeting was devoted to working on the 2016 Town & Highway budget. Budget Officer Chartrand reported that according to the tax cap program the growth of the town that is allowed is .73%.

It was agreed to change the Assessor Clerk from a salary of \$5,000.00 per year to an hourly basis up to \$1,000.00 per year. He will be reimbursed \$30.00 per hour worked. He will need to use the time clock that is outside of the Code Enforcement Officer's door.

There was a discussion on the Code Enforcement Officers requests. He would like a 21.21% increase and to do away with his clerk. It was agreed that his salary would remain the same and that he will still have a clerk. He will need to start filling out a detailed mileage log. He will also need to complete the inspection report every time that he goes out of the office for an inspection.

We will increase the rates for swim program for out of town residents by \$5.00.

There was a discussion on painting the building. The new windows and posts out front need to be done before we can start that project. Several board members spoke about having a painting party.

The Town Clerk has asked to purchase the Internet Tax module from BAS. This will give the residents the ability to view and/or make payments via credit cards or E-Checks through a reputable third party payment processor. It will also give residents, banks, mortgage companies and attorneys the ability to view updated tax bills and

payment history online and print receipts. This will work with her current tax program. A letter will be written to the Fayetteville-Manlius School District as this will benefit those residents that pay the Fayetteville-Manlius school tax. The total first year investment is \$2,480.00.

Highway Superintendent Purcell went over the highway portion of the budget. He explained that there is nowhere in the budget where he can cut back. He went over his five year plan on his machinery.

After the changes made to the tentative budget the tax rate would be \$2.29/thousand of assessed value. This is a \$.17/thousand increase.

R-117-15 Made by Marsh, seconded by Herlihy to move the 2016 budget from tentative stage to preliminary. All in favor. Motion carried.

Town Clerk Christmas will ask Attorney Brown to prepare a tax cap override law. This will need to be review prior to the October 5, 2015 meeting and at that time set a public hearing date.

R-118-15 Made by Herlihy, seconded by Dennis to hold a Public Hearing on the Town & Highway Budget as well as all special districts and the SOTS budget on November 4, 2015 at 7:05 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-119-15 Made by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to adjourn at 9:55 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Christmas
Pompey Town Clerk

