

TOWN OF POMPEY BOARD MINUTES

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town of Board of the Town of Pompey was held on February 2, 2015, at the Pompey Town Hall. In attendance: Supervisor Carole Marsh; Councilors Carl Dennis, Greg Herlihy and Victor LaFrenz; Accountant 1 Tom Chartrand; Attorney Jeff Brown and Town Clerk Ann Christmas.

Absent: Councilor Craig Smithgall

Supervisor Marsh called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our service men and women and also for the following whom recently passed away: Troy LeFebvre, Lucius Kempton, Kimberly Pilcher, Billy Platt, Elmer Soper and Ron Miller.

R-28-15 Made by Herlihy, seconded by LaFrenz to open the public hearing on the adoption of Local Law No. 1 of 2015 at 7:01 p.m. to amend Chapter 165 (Zoning) of the code of the Town of Pompey to add new section 165-16.2 entitled "Solar Energy Conversion Systems" to regulate solar energy conversion systems. All in favor. Motion carried.

Attorney Brown explained that the Town Board had previously reviewed this law. John Shaheen asked that language "over a 12 month period" be added to the end of definition at the top of page 2. He also asked that the height for free standing be increased and he feels that the size of the array should be greater. Attorney Brown stated that these are substantial changes to the proposed law and if the Town Board was inclined to add these that we would need to re-notice the public hearing. Jesse Walser asked if there would be a financial penalty if there was a net revenue.

R-29-15 Made by Herlihy, seconded by Dennis to close the public hearing on the adoption of Local Law No. 1 of 2015 at 7:09 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Attorney Brown completed the SEQR form with the Town Board.

R-30-15 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis that the Town Board in connection with the adoption of Local Law No. 1 of 2015 will be the lead agency, that this is an unlisted action and that there are no significant adverse environmental impacts. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-31-15 Made by Herlihy, seconded by Dennis to adopt Local Law No. 1 of 2015 contingent upon the language “over a 12 month period” being added and receiving County Planning approval. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-32-15 Made by Dennis, seconded by LaFrenz to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town of Pompey has received information regarding use of a New York State Unified Solar Permit which is an expedited solar permitting process using a unified permit across New York State municipalities, and

WHEREAS, residents of Pompey may wish to install small-scale photovoltaic systems at their homes to save on energy costs, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Pompey has researched this opportunity and the Town Code Enforcement Officer can use this as a tool for solar permitting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Pompey adopts the NYS Unified Solar Permit which has been attached, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Pompey authorizes Supervisor Carole Marsh to complete the necessary application paperwork.

All in favor. Motion carried.

R-33-15 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to authorize the Supervisor to send a letter in support of the solar grant

with CNY Regional Planning and NYSERTA. All in favor.
Motion carried.

The December 31, 2014 quarterly report was submitted and reviewed. At the end of the year in the general fund we rolled forward \$84,515.00. This is a drop of approximately \$100,000.00 due to the huge drop in the amount of mortgage tax that was received. In the highway fund we rolled forward \$95,039.00. Even though we had a bad winter and the costs were higher Highway Superintendent Purcell was able to keep expenses to a minimum.

The monthly report of the Supervisor was submitted and reviewed. The taxes to the Town were completely paid before the end of the month. This is due to the number of hours that Town Clerk Christmas has been working. She was the only tax collector that he works with that was able to do this. We have also received the 2014 Youth Services money.

R-34-15 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to approve the following transfers:

General Fund

From:

AC1420.4	Attorney	Contractual	\$43,000.00
A599	Surplus	2014 Budget	<u>\$ 3,300.00</u>
		TOTAL:	\$46,300.00

To:

A1420.1	Attorney	Personal Services	\$35,000.00
A1991.4	Contingent	Contractual	\$ 8,000.00
A3120.4	Police & Constables	Contractual	<u>\$ 3,300.00</u>
		TOTAL:	\$46,300.00

All in favor. Motion carried.

R-35-15 Made by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to approve the audit of the Supervisor's books. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-36-15 Made by Dennis, seconded by LaFrenz to approve the audit of the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's books. All in favor. Motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Purcell was not present as he was plowing the roads.

R-37-15 Made by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy that pursuant to Vehicle and Traffic Law 1660 (11) all vehicles with a gross weight of over five (5) tons per axle are temporarily excluded from the following highways situated in the Town of Pompey, Onondaga County, New York: Brickyard Falls Road, Broadfield Road to the Village of Manlius; Bush Road, Route 91 to Ransom Road; Frank Long Road, Gates Road to Route 91; Gardner Road, Cemetery Road to Pratts Falls Road; Gibbs Road, Broadfield Road to Indian Hill Road; Gulf Road, Route 20 south to Oran-Delphi Road; Henderson Road, Gates Road to Taylor Road; Indian Hill Road, Watervale Road East to Spur Road; Jerome Road, Chase Road to Fabius/Pompey town line; Number 2 Road East & West, Watervale Road east to Oran-Delphi Road; Number 4 Road East & West, Cemetery Road to Number 5 Road; Oran Gulf Road, Route 20 north to the Oran Spur Road; Oran Station Road, Route 92 to the Manlius/Pompey town line; Pompey Pines Drive, Pompey Center Road West; Purcell Road, No. 5 Road to Fabius/Pompey town line; Ransom Road, Route 91 to LaFayette/Pompey town line; Taylor Road, Route 91 to Route 173. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-38-15 Made by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to authorize the Highway Superintendent to execute the Agreement to Spend Town Highway Funds. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-39-15 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to appoint Greg Herlihy as a delegate to the NYS Association of Towns Conference. All in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor Marsh reported that the Manlius Fire Department will be holding meeting son February 3rd at Eagle Hill Middle School at 7 p.m.; February 26th at Manlius Fire Department-Station 1 at 7 p.m. and on March 7th at the Village Center at 9 a.m. NYS law states that only

people who are village residents can vote on this. The cost for the new fire station will be approximately \$48.00 for a \$150,000.00 home. There is information about the project on the Manlius Fire Department website.

Councilor Herlihy stated when he along with other board members or Town Clerk Christmas attend the NYS Association of Towns conference in New York City that they pay out of their own pockets to attend these meetings. They are good stewards of the Town's money and work to keep taxes as low as possible. He is also working with Attorney Brown on a zoning issue.

Councilor Dennis echoed what Councilor Herlihy said about working to keep taxes as low as possible.

Attorney Brown reported that he has been in communication with the attorney for Verizon. They asked for an adjournment. Verizon will be appearing at the March 9th and Marsh 30th Zoning Board meetings to describe a new location. He also spoke to the Town Board about grants for broadband. He feels the best one to look into is part of the Opportunity Agenda presented by Gov. Coumo where he has committed \$500,000,000.00 into broadband; regional economic councils will decide how it is spent. He feels we should reach out to the County to participate. Supervisor Marsh stated that she will contact County Legislator David Knapp to see if he can spearhead this.

Bookkeeper Chartrand reported on how Enhanced Services works in the Town as the Town Board keeps getting questions on this. Last year the Town received \$40,592 from fines and the Enhanced Services cost \$31,000.00 which shows that the Town received \$10,000 more than it spent. The enhanced services goes for road control, court security and attendance at meetings.

R-40-15 Made by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to accept the letter of resignation from Cheryl Bliss from the Environmental Conservation Commission. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-41-15 Mae by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to accept the letter of resignation from John LaFace from the Board of Assessment Review. All in favor. Motion carried.

Letters of appreciation will be sent to both Cheryl Bliss and John LaFace.

R-42-15 Made by Marsh, seconded by Herlihy to appoint John LaFace to the Environmental Conservation Commission to fill the unexpired term of Cheryl Bliss. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-43-15 Made by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to appoint Rick Clancy to the Board of Assessment Review to fill the unexpired term of John LaFace. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-44-15 Made by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to authorize the Supervisor to sign the pool contract in the amount of \$7,012.50 for 2015 with Cazenovia College. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-45-15 Made by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to authorize Town Attorney to draft an InterMunicipal Agreement with LaFayette for the swim program. All in favor. Motion carried.

Attorney Brown spoke to the Town Board about the agreement with CMA. The agreement will allow CMA to sell our right of ways for cell technology in a smaller footprint. No money is involved.

R-46-15 Made by Herlihy, seconded by Dennis to authorize Supervisor Marsh to sign the agreement with Communication Management Associates, Inc. All in favor. Motion carried.

Historian Hotaling spoke to the Town Board about an individual who would like to do an Eagle Scout project. He may fix the outhouses next to the schoolhouse, work on the Jerome Room or work on abandoned cemeteries. Once she knows what he is going to do she should let the Town know so that we can notify our insurance carrier.

R-47-15 Made by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to approve the monthly reports and bank reconciliations of the Supervisor

and Town Clerk/Tax Collector. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-48-15 Made by Dennis, seconded by LaFrenz to authorize the payment of General Fund Abstract Nos. 19-52, totaling \$942,964.84; Highway Fund Abstract Nos. 9-28, totaling \$34,044.33; Special District Abstract Nos. 3-6 totaling \$629,973.64. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment

John Shaheen thanked the Town Board for approving the unified solar permit. We will now be eligible for a \$2,500.00 grant from NYSERTA. He also spoke to the Town Board about the energy supplier study that he did earlier. He also spoke to CNY Regional Planning about our energy usage. They feel we should go back to National Grid to save money. The Town Board agreed that we will pursue switching our supplier back to National Grid.

R-49-15 Made by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to adjourn at 8 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Christmas
Pompey Town Clerk