



TOWN OF POMPEY NEWSLETTER

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Supervisor's Letter—Carole Marsh

Dear Neighbor,

As residents of the Town of Pompey, we enjoy the benefits of living in a town with no debt. That is not to say, we don't carry our share of the tax burden, but we meet our obligations by having a balanced budget, keeping our town and highway costs down and by keeping our elected officials pay at a stationary level for the last two years.

We are proud to have kept our town and town highway budget at \$2.06 per thousand, the second lowest rate in the county with the largest square miles of area represented.



In late March, the Town received great news that it has been awarded a \$100,000 grant from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to restore our historic one--room schoolhouse. The Pompey Center District No. 10 Schoolhouse was constructed in 1857 and is unique in that it is one of the few one--room schoolhouses to sit on its original location directly across from Town Hall on Route 20. The Town was particularly fortunate to receive funding via this competitive grant program because only 10 percent of all grant dollars requested were awarded. (The Town received 100% of what it asked for.) This is a 'matching grant' with donations and services in kind counting towards the Town's portion. The grant funding will be used to fully rehabilitate the schoolhouse's deteriorating foundation, rebuild entryways, create handicapped accessibility, create pathways for public access, install interior lighting and restore the school's wood burning porcelain stove. Once restored, the schoolhouse will be utilized as a living history museum to educate children and visitors about the vital role one--room schoolhouses once played in our Town's history. This grant was obtained through the collaboration of the Pompey Historical Society, Pompey Town Board, and the Town's Law Firm of Mackenzie Hughes, LLP. Many thanks to all who worked hard to make this happen.

Local Law #1 of 2010, regarding Windmills has been finalized. Thank you to all of the members of the Windmill Committee with a special thank you to Craig Smithgall, Committee Chairman.

There will be a Joint Meeting of all boards of the Town of Pompey on Wednesday, June 16th at 6 p.m. at the Pompey Town Hall. Megan Costa and Jeffrey Harrop, from Onondaga County Planning and William Kappel from the U.S. Geological Service will be speaking. Mr. Kappel will speak about hydrofracking. The residents of Pompey and any interested parties are encouraged to attend.

Have a safe and happy summer.

Respectfully, Carole Marsh—Supervisor