

TOWN OF POMPEY BOARD MINUTES

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Pompey was held on March 6, 2017. In attendance: Supervisor Carole Marsh; Councilors Carl Dennis, Greg Herlihy and Giovanni LaFace; Town Clerk Ann Christmas; Town Attorney Jeff Brown and Bookkeeper Tom Chartrand.

Absent: Councilor Victor Lafrenz

Supervisor Marsh called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. followed by a moment of silence for our service men and women and for George VerDow, Paul Esposito, Jon Radway and Rosemary Virgil.

The monthly report of the Supervisor was submitted and reviewed. General Abstract 2 looks high because we paid Pompey Hill Fire, CAVAC and SOTS. Special District 2 Abstract is high because Delphi Falls Fire and Manlius Fire taxes were paid.

R-25-17 Motion by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to approve the following transfer:

GENERAL FUND

From: A1991.4	Contingent	Contractual	\$1,000.00
To: A9060.8	Employee Benefits	Hospital	\$1,000.00

All in favor. Motion carried.

R-26-17 Motion by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to approve the audit of the records of the Supervisor, Town Clerk & Tax Collector. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-27-17 Motion by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to authorize the Town Clerk to advertise that the year-end report including SOTS has been filed. All in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor Marsh reported that Onondaga County isn't eligible for any of the State money to bring high-speed internet to rural areas until Time Warner Cable is done building out.

R-28-17 Motion by Dennis, seconded by LaFace to authorize the Supervisor to execute the contract with CNY SPCA for dog control services. All in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor Marsh informed the Town Board that she spoke to the Superintendent of the Fabius Pompey School District when she heard that

their school tax collector was retiring. She let him know that the Town of Pompey Town Clerk has for a number of years collected school taxes for the residents of Pompey whose children attend Fayetteville-Manlius and started this past fall collecting for Jamesville-Dewitt and we would be willing to do the same for them. She explained that this is another way that we can work together to benefit the residents. We share our Assessor with Fabius and the Highway Department works with neighboring towns. This is the type of consolidation that Consensus is focused on. The Consensus report spoke highly of the SOTS arrangement and its benefits.

Supervisor Marsh also informed the Town Board that Mr. William Porter, who owns a small parcel of land (not quite an acre) in Pompey Hill, would like to donate it to the Town of Pompey. Many years ago there was a Presbyterian Church there but it was destroyed by fire. It could be used as a park to honor our veterans. Tom Chartrand suggested that Tom Purcell be consulted to make sure he would have the manpower to take care of it. Jay Radway, whose recently deceased father owns the neighboring parcel, said he would help take care of it. All of the Town Board members were enthusiastic about this idea and Attorney Brown will pursue this with Mr. Porter.

Councilor Herlihy reported to the Town Board on the Association of Towns Conference that he attended along with Town Clerk Christmas, Code Enforcement Officer Hill and Zoning Board Chairman Tessier. They all attended various classes having to do with their job. He was also the delegate and was able to vote on behalf of our Town on resolutions that will be forwarded to the Governor and the State legislature. The resolutions dealt with local storm water infrastructure, funding for local highways and bridges, increasing revenue sharing with Towns, unfunded mandate reform, cemetery reform, optional town gross receipts tax, increasing returned check fees, preserving and strengthening home rule, supporting home rule in citing wind and solar energy facilities, reforming inequities in the property tax cap formula, and reforming the real property tax system.

Attorney Brown updated the Town Board on the Hunter Springs Landscaping issue. The request has been sent to Ag & Markets for an official opinion whether the entire business is a farm operation. He provided documentation such as snapshots of his Facebook page and website indicating that he does more than farming.

Attorney Brown also informed the Town Board that he expects Verizon to appeal the decision made by Judge Karalunas.

R-29-17 Motion by Dennis, seconded by LaFace to approve the monthly reports and bank reconciliations of the Town Clerk and Supervisor. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-30-17 Motion by Dennis, seconded by LaFace to approve the payment of General Fund Abstract Nos. 95-121, totaling \$18,458.69; Highway Fund Abstract Nos. 44-60, totaling \$104,838.42; Special District Abstract Nos. 9-11, totaling \$13,398.45. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Jay Radway informed the Town Board that he owns the property next to Mr. Porter's. He is trying to get his property cleaned up. He would like to have a restoration shop there. He also owns the stone store with his sister. He would like to sell antiques there along with dried goods. He would like to put his ideas together and come before the Board with them. Attorney Brown informed him that he would need to go before the Town Planning Board and he would need to work with Code Enforcement Officer Hill on this.

Jesse Walser informed the Town Board that another \$250,000.00 in broadband grants have been given out.

Don Neugebauer told the Town Board that he was aware of the school tax collector retiring. The School Board has been discussing this. Supervisor Marsh stated that the Town would like to work together with the school on this and to make it convenient for the residents.

R-31-17 Motion by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Christmas
Pompey Town Clerk