

TOWN OF POMPEY TOWN BOARD MINUTES

A Special Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Pompey was held on May 14, 2014 at the Pompey Town Hall. In attendance: Supervisor Carole Marsh; Councilors Carl Dennis, Greg Herlihy, Victor LaFrenz and Craig Smithgall; Highway Superintendent Tom Purcell; Accountant 1 Tom Chartrand, Code Enforcement Officer Rick Penhall and Town Clerk Ann Christmas.

Supervisor Marsh called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our service men and women.

Supervisor Marsh explained that a voucher submitted last week by Code Enforcement Officer Penhall was not added up correctly and that she was unable to sign a check because of this. A new voucher was submitted to tonight for the correct amount.

R-92-14 Made by Dennis, seconded by Smithgall to approve the payment of General Fund Abstract Nos. 171-177, totaling \$8,165.75; Highway Fund Abstract Nos. 85-89, totaling \$1,540.58; Special District Abstract No. 17, totaling \$515.17 and Trust & Agency Abstract No. 16, totaling \$182.73. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-93-14 Made by Smithgall, seconded by Lafrenz to authorize the town to participate in CNY Stormwater Coalition Staff Services and Education Compliance Assistance with Central New York Regional Planning and Development Board for 2015 in the amount of \$3,600.00 (see attached resolution). All in favor. Motion carried.

There was a discussion on the Pompey Center cemetery. Supervisor Marsh had received a call from Dee Rounds. The Association would like to turn it over to the Town. Tom Chartrand stated that he has dealt with cemeteries in other towns and this is a complicated process. They would have to surrender their assets, if any, and deed the property over to the Town. The Town would have to appoint a caretaker, have it mowed weekly, have someone who is insured to open and close the graves, Town Clerk Christmas would become the lot seller and take in the money. We need to find out how many lots are available to be sold and of the ones sold how many still are active and have space for a burial. The Town of Spafford just took on another cemetery and this is a very complicated process. Councilor

Smithgall feels that we need to look at the trees in it and the maintenance of vegetation; the annual mowing and what happens if a tree falls and we have to replace the monument. Tom Chartrand stated that there is a difference between active and abandoned cemeteries. Supervisor Marsh will call Dee Rounds and find out about the number of lots. Councilor LaFrenz questioned what would happen if we did nothing.

Councilor Smithgall brought up the idea again of the need to consider having bi-monthly meetings. He would like to discuss it at the June meeting. Councilor Dennis stated that we currently have two meetings in September and December and we can always schedule another meeting if the need arises. He wants to continue on the way we are. Councilor Herlihy stated that when the need arises we can schedule an additional meeting. Supervisor Marsh explained that she scheduled this meeting before the Workplace Violence training. She would like to think about this. Councilor Lafrenz felt that we should look at what might be on the agenda and see if it warrants having an additional meeting. He will leave that up to Supervisor Marsh.

Supervisor Marsh questioned Code Enforcement Officer Penhall on the process of violations. He informed them that he has a sheet in his office where residents can fill the form out for complaints of junk cars, illegal businesses, illegal activity on site and any violations of town laws. He has been told that if they sign a complaint it helps if we have to go to court. Councilor Herlihy questioned if he has any signed complaints. Code Enforcement Officer Penhall stated that he had three signed complaints. Supervisor Marsh stated that she felt this was a good idea. Tom Chartrand informed them that the Town Board needs to decide if Code Enforcement Officer Penhall will act on unsigned complaints; you can't act on some unsigned complaints and act on others as he has to act consistently on complaints. Councilor Dennis stated that he hopes that all complaints will be acted on. Councilor Herlihy asked to see the signed complaints. He would like to receive a list each month on the complaints that have been received.

R-94-14 Made by Dennis, seconded by LaFrenz to adjourn at 6:20 p.m.
All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Christmas
Pompey Town Clerk