

TOWN OF POMPEY BOARD MINUTES

The Town Board of the Town of Pompey held its Regular Monthly Meeting on September 5, 2018. In attendance: Supervisor Carole Marsh; Councilors Carl Dennis, Greg Herlihy and Sheila Larkin; Town Attorney Jeff Brown; Engineer Steve Snell, Bookkeeper Tom Chartrand; Highway Superintendent Tom Purcell and Town Clerk Ann Christmas.

Absent: Councilor Giovanni LaFace

Supervisor Marsh called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. followed by a moment of silence for our service men and women, all that protect us and also for Carol Purcell, Tom Purcell's mother, who recently passed away.

R-119-18 Motion by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to open the Public Hearing at 7 p.m. on the adoption of Local Law No. 3 of 2018 to override the tax levy limit established in NY General Municipal Law § 3-c. All in favor. Motion carried.

Attorney Brown explained that this proposed law is only a precaution as it may not be needed. As there are many small districts in the budget that may go over the 2% tax cap. Many municipalities do this law. Bookkeeper Chartrand also informed the Town Board that fire departments now need to provide cancer coverage to all active firefighters and they working on figuring out how much this will increase their budgets.

There were no questions or comments.

R-120-18 Motion by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to close the Public Hearing at 7:03 p.m. on the adoption of Local Law No. 3 of 2018 to override the tax levy limit established in NY General Municipal Law § 3-c. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-121-18 Motion by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to adopt Local Law No. 3 of 2018 to override the tax levy limit established in NY General Municipal Law § 3-c. All in favor. Motion carried.

The monthly report of the Supervisor was submitted and reviewed. It was a good month for Town Clerk fees; Court fines are stronger and are near budget to date; received the IMA for the LaFayette children in the swim program. It was quiet on the expenditure side.

R-122-18 Motion by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to approve the following transfer:

GENERAL FUND

From:	A1991.4	Contingent	Contractual	\$1,000.00
To:	A1989.4	Workshops	Contractual	\$1,000.00

All in favor. Motion carried.

It was decided to not have the Ski Program this year at Toggenburg as most of the people were signing up through the schools.

Bookkeeper Chartrand reminded the board members of the budget workshop on September 24th at 6 p.m.

Supervisor Marsh updated the board members and the audience as to what is happening with SOTS. SOTS was formed by the towns of Pompey, LaFayette, Tully and Fabius twelve years ago. Over Mother's Day weekend this year Feher went out of business. The representatives from the Towns worked all weekend to secure a new hauler. New bids were received. The contract price went up 60%. All residences will be charged a flat rate of \$325.00. Dependable Disposal will be sending out letters to everyone within the next two weeks explaining the new system. There will be two different sized containers everyone can choose from (either a 65 gallon container or a 96 gallon container). Recycling will be every other week and there will be a new container for that. If needed residents can get an additional recycling container. If you need an additional trash container you will be billed \$22.00/month. It will be an automated system and should be up and running by the first week of November. There will be one driver and the arm of truck will reach out and pick up the containers and empty them and place the container back in the same location. The new contract will run for three years. Supervisor Marsh stressed that some people who had no service and only paid the \$5.00 administrative fee as well as those who had the one bag service and paid \$96.00 per year will now be paying the \$325.00 yearly rate.

Judge Cognetti spoke to the Town Board about the JCAP grant. Every court in New York State is eligible to apply for the \$30,000 grant each year. If we don't apply for it the money will go to another town. He urged everyone to visit the Town of Fabius Justice Court to see what they've done with the JCAP grant money they've received. He would like to apply for security cameras, file cabinets and film to put over the windows to make them bullet proof. Attorney Brown informed Judge Cognetti that he should meet with Supervisor Marsh about the grant and she can inform the other board members and get their approval for the grant requests before she signs the application.

Highway Superintendent Purcell informed the Town Board that his department had put together the new culvert for the Gulf Road bridge and they will be installing it on September 6th. They paved Rowley-Jerome Road and finished resurfacing 9 miles of

roads this summer. The water is hooked up at the spring on Gulf Road and they are fixing the old tub that was banged up during the storm. He is waiting to hear back on the proposal from Vector Construction to fix the Indian Hill Road which was yellow flagged by Onondaga County Department of Transportation. Steve Snell had another engineer from O'Brien & Gere come out and put the plans together to fix it.

R-123-18 Motion by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to submit the petitions requesting two crosswalks to be installed on Oran Delphi Road in Delphi Falls to Onondaga County Department of Transportation. All in favor. Motion carried.

Councilor Dennis stated that he is glad to hear that the spring is hooked up and thanked Highway Superintendent Purcell. Many people have been using it since it got hooked up.

Attorney Brown reported that the RF testing will be taking place in the next two weeks on the towers on Sevier Road. He has been talking to Code Enforcement Officer Cooke about several issues. They have good communication going on.

Engineer Steve Snell updated the Town Board on the quotes he's been obtaining for the replacement of the boiler. He is going to contact two more companies for quotes. The boiler has been there for 46 years and failed the latest Labor Department inspection. There will be two loops for the water to circulate and there will always be water in the system. This will be more efficient than what we currently have. We need to get going on this. He will let Supervisor Marsh know when he has at least three quotes and we will have a special meeting if needed to approve the quote.

Engineer Steve Snell also updated the Town Board on the drainage issues in Spruce Ridge North. He handed out two plans. Plan 1 (C101) would be a relief swale and would convey the water around the Kohler property back to the channel. Mr. Kohler was willing to grant an easement to do the work. We will need to get him the final easement and legal description to sign. The approximate cost for this plan is \$27,000.00. Part two showed where grading and bank stabilization is needed. There is a lot of erosion here. The approximate cost for this would be \$69,000.00. Anything over \$35,000.00 will need to be bid and there will be additional costs involved. The Highway Department may be able to do some of the work to help reduce the costs. The swale through Mr. Kohler's property needs to be done soon. Highway Superintendent Purcell and Engineer Snell have been working on these problems for several years.

Martha Viglietta who lives on Gibbs Road spoke to the Town Board about Carbon Pricing on Fossil Fuels. She is part of Citizens' Climate Lobby, a non partisan, nonprofit organization that empowers people from all walks of life to become effective advocates for a liveable world who are concerned about climate change. She handed out

pamphlets to the Town Board members to review. She explained about the Carbon Fee & Dividend that is a policy proposal created by her lobby group to put a federal price on carbon-based fuels so that their consumer cost reflects their true costs to society. The Carbon Fee would cut emissions enough to stay below the 2C threshold for “dangerous” warming; would grow jobs and GDP without growing the government; add the social cost of carbon-based fossil fuels to the price consumers pay. They have spoken to Congressman Katko about this and he is considering co-sponsoring a bill in Congress. Councilor Herlihy asked her several questions.

R-124-18 Motion by Dennis, seconded by Larkin to approve the monthly bank reconciliations and reports of the Town Clerk and Supervisor. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-125-18 Motion by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to approve the payment of General Fund Abstract Nos. 290-310 totaling \$15,283.00; Highway Fund Abstract Nos. 149-164 totaling \$124,429.14; Special Districts Abstract Nos. 25-26 totaling \$552.93; Capital Fund Abstract Nos. 7-14 totaling \$23,951.34. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment

Beth Scalisi who resides at 7889 U.S. Route 20 spoke to the Town Board. Her property is zoned commercial as is the property to her west and across the street. She is considering having a small retail shop to sell annual and perennials on the lot she owns adjacent to her residence. This lot is zoned Farm. She doesn't know if she should go for a zone change or a variance. Councilor Dennis stated that everything around her is commercial and it would make sense for her property to be commercial. Supervisor had no problem with it.

Tony Viglietta asked several questions about the Indian Hill Road bridge. He agreed that the bridge is dangerous with the speed people travel and the how narrow the bridge is.

R-126-18 Motion by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to hold a Public Hearing on October 1, 2018 at 7 p.m. to consider the adoption of Local Law No. 4 of 2018 to change the zoning of property located on Route 20 (Tax Map No. 017.-02-02.0) from Farm to commercial. All in favor. Motion carried.

R-127-18 Motion by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to go into Executive Session from Regular Session at 8:10 p.m. to discuss the employment history of particular individuals and pending litigation. All in favor. Motion carried.

- R-128-18 Motion by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to return to Regular Session from Executive Session at 8:30 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-129-18 Motion by Marsh, seconded by Dennis that Jeffrey Cooke will now be Code Enforcement Officer to be compensated \$37,500 per year effective September 1, 2018 for the balance of 2018 and Fred Hill will be compensated \$20.00/hour for every hour worked. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-130-18 Motion by Dennis, seconded by Herlihy to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Christmas
Pompey Town Clerk