

TOWN OF POMPEY BOARD MINUTES

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Pompey was held on January 7, 2013. In attendance: Supervisor Carole Marsh; Councilors Carl Dennis, Greg Herlihy, Victor Lafrenz and Craig Smithgall Highway Superintendent Tom Purcell, Town Clerk Ann Christmas and Attorney Jeff Brown and Code Enforcement Officer Richard Penhall. There were 16 residents in attendance.

Supervisor Marsh called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence for our service men and women.

Supervisor Marsh opened the Organizational Meeting at 7:02 p.m.

- R-1-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to designate Alliance Bank as the official bank of the Town. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-2-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to designate The Post Standard as the legal newspaper of the Town. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-3-13 Made by Dennis, seconded by Lafrenz that the mileage reimbursement for any town business shall be 56.5¢/mile. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-4-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by LaFrenz that the Town Board meetings will be held on the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. except for the months of September and November. The meetings in those months will be held on September 4, 2013 and November 6, 2013. (Vouchers will be signed at 6:30 p.m.). All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-5-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to approve Skeelee Agency & Haylor, Freyer & Coon are Brokers of Record. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-6-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Smithgall to appoint MacKenzie Hughes, LLP as Attorney for the Town. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-7-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by LaFrenz to appoint O'Brien & Gere as Engineer for the Town. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-8-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to approve the following appointments:

Deputy Supervisor: Victor LaFrenz to be compensated \$100.00 per meeting run
Secretary to Supervisor: Rosemarie Bush to be compensated \$10.00/hour up to \$2,000.00
Town Bookkeeper: Thomas Chartrand to be compensated \$19,500.00 per year
Town Historian: Ruth Hotaling to be compensated \$1,680.00 per year
Deputy Town Clerks: Shirley Mapstone and Nicole Christmas to be compensated \$10.00 per hour and First Deputy Mary Purcell to be compensated \$10,00.00 per year
Court Clerks: Vaughn Ali and Mary Lou Carberry to be compensated \$4,480.00 each per year

All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-9-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to appoint Nancy Bridges, Rosemarie Bush and Rebecca Ballard to the Board of Ethics. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-10-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to appoint Richard Penhall as Code Enforcement Officer to be compensated \$36,000.00 per year. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-11-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to appoint Ann Christmas as Part-Time Code Enforcement Clerk to be compensated \$5,560.00 per year. All in favor. Motion carried.

- R-12-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to appoint Brian Fitts as Assessor Clerk to be compensated \$5,000.00 per year. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-13-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by LaFrenz to appoint Sue Snavlin as Dog Control Officer to be compensated \$4,400.00 per year. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-14-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by LaFrenz to set the compensation for the Chairman of the Planning Board, Zoning Board and Environmental Conservation Commission at \$300.00 per year. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-15-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to set the compensation for the Planning Board, Zoning Board and Environmental Conservation Commission members at \$150.00 per year. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-16-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to appoint Frank Erwin, F. Beecher Graham, Craig Dennis and John Taborosi to the Environmental Conservation Commission (terms will expire 12/31/14). All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-17-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Smithgall to appoint Frank Erwin as Chairman of the Environmental Conservation Commission. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-18-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by LaFrenz to appoint Carol Crolick as Secretary to the Zoning Board and to be compensated \$80.00 per meeting attended. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-19-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to appoint Donald Neugebauer to the Zoning Board of Appeals (term to expire 12/31/17). All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-20-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to appoint David Tessier as Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-21-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Smithgall to appoint Susan Smith to the Planning Board (term to expire 12/31/19). All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-22-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by LaFrenz to appoint Kevin Coursen as Chairman of the Planning Board. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-23-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by LaFrenz to appoint Carol Crolick as Secretary to the Planning Board and to be compensated \$100.00 per meeting attended. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-24-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Herlihy to appoint Kevin Carter to the Board of Assessment Review to fill the unexpired term of Tom Fabboli (term to expire 9/30/2015). All in favor. Motion carried.

Supervisor Marsh submitted a letter of resignation she had received from Richard Bruno from the Board of Assessment Review.

- R-25-13 Made by Dennis, seconded by LaFrenz to accept the letter of resignation from Richard Bruno and to send a letter of thanks. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-26-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Herlihy to appoint John LaFace to the Board of Assessment Review (term to expire 9/30/18). All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-27-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to appoint Ray Randall as Chairman of the Board of Assessment Review. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-28-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to set the compensation for the Board of Assessment Review at \$100.00 for the Chairman and the members will be compensated \$25.00 per each meeting attended. All in favor. Motion carried.

- R-29-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to appoint Carolyn Hilleges and Kenneth Stvan as Clerk 1 for the Justice Court to be reimbursed \$11.25 per hour (the combined total for all services for Clerk 1 for the Justice Court cannot exceed \$6,000.00 per year). All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-30-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to appoint Eileen Havens as Custodian to be compensated \$13.00 per hour. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-31-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by LaFrenz to appoint Rosemarie Bush to run the Swim program and to be compensated \$2,970.00 per year. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-32-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to appoint Kelly Mousaw to run the Ski Program and to be compensated \$575.00 per year. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-33-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by LaFrenz to authorize the Highway Superintendent to spend up to \$8,000.00 without prior approval. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-34-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to approve a bond in the amount of \$500,000.00 for the Supervisor and Town Clerk. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-35-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to approve a bond in the amount of \$50,000.00 for all others. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-36-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to approve the library contracts with Manlius for \$3,200.00; Cazenovia for \$400.00 and LaFayette for \$850.00. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-37-13 Made by marsh, seconded by LaFrenz to make application to the Youth Program. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-38-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to reaffirm the Procurement Policy. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-39-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to reaffirm the Investment Policy. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-40-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by LaFrenz to reaffirm the Rules of Procedure. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-41-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to reaffirm the fee schedule. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-42-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to approve a petty cash fund for the Town Clerk in the amount of \$125.00. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-43-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by LaFrenz to approve a petty cash fund for the Justice Court (both Judges will have access for this and each will be responsible.) All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-44-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis that 6 hours will be the standard work day for part-time officials and employees. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-45-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by LaFrenz to approve any raises for the Highway Department Employees. All in favor. Motion carried.
- R-46-13 Made by Marsh, seconded by Dennis to approve the prepayment of postage and phone bills. All in favor. Motion carried.

This completed the Organizational Meeting and the Regular Meeting began.

The monthly report of the Supervisor was submitted and reviewed. Bookkeeper Chartrand reported that reimbursement had been received for the Youth Rec & Services. The Ski Program is lower than last year and that can be attributed to the newsletter going out late and also the warm weather. The balance that is being carried forward in the General Fund is down \$30,000.00 from last year and in the Highway Fund is down \$10,000.00 from last year. He also reported that he had read in Town Topics about changes to procurement policies where you can

use neighboring state and federal bids. He suggested that Attorney Brown talk to him about that. He also submitted to Supervisor Marsh the December bank statement and asked that the Town Board approve it.

Highway Superintendent Purcell submitted his year-end report. He reported that they had made 34 trips this winter and 27 of the trips were since December 21st. He would like to recognize all of his employees for the dedication they have shown. In addition he recognized his two seasonal employees Dick Fillingner and Ed Lelakowski. They are very dedicated and always come in when he needs them.

Supervisor Marsh thanked the Highway Department for the good job they do.

The Code Enforcement Officer gave a year-end report which is attached to these minutes.

Supervisor Marsh also thanked all who served on our Boards and those who continue to do so. The Town Board appreciates everything they do.

Councilor Herlihy reported that he has spoken to the people from Marshall, Testone & Discenza who are doing the procedural review and things are going well.

Town Clerk Christmas reported that her in her conversations with the people from Marshall, Testone & Discenza that her records need to be audited by January 20th. They have also come up with a procedure where she will submit to the Town Board monthly for their review and signatures on her bank reconciliation and monthly reports. She handed out reports for both her Tax Collection and Town Clerk and asked for them to review them and then sign off on them.

R-47-13 Made by Herlihy, seconded by Marsh to review the Town Clerk, Tax Collector and Justice Court records by January 20, 2013. (Board members will stop into the Town Clerk's Office to review her records prior to that date.) All in favor. Motion carried.

Attorney Brown stated that he had just given Councilor LaFrenz the decision from the Onondaga County Planning Board concerning the Master Plan. Councilor LaFrenz stated that they had approved the Master Plan and they were very complimentary about it. The next step will be to work on the Zoning Code. Meetings in each of the hamlets will be planned. He thanked all members of the committee for their hard work.

County Legislator David Knapp was present. He congratulated everyone including Victor LaFrenz on all of their work on doing the Master Plan. He had worked on the Comprehensive Plan in LaFayette and realizes the time to get one done. He feels this will open the doors for grants. He also reported that during budget time that was never any mention of Pratts Falls and he feels that had to do with Supervisor Marsh, the County Executive and himself. Supervisor Marsh asked him what the County tax rate ended up being. It was \$5.46. Our reveal helped us out quite a bit.

R-48-13 Made by Dennis, seconded by Smithgall to approve the payment of General Fund Abstract Nos. 1-31, totaling \$78,008.77; Highway Fund Abstract Nos. 1-11, totaling \$76,626.13; Special District Abstract Nos. 1-2, totaling \$671.92 and Trust & Agency Fund Abstract No. 1, totaling \$7,500.00. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment Period

Jack Lawyer congratulated the Town Board on the excellent job that was done last year and hopes it will continue this year.

Markey Dormer had posters with articles from the Post Standard and Union Times about hydrofracking. She also spoke about the new movie out The Promised Land. She reminded them that January 11, 2013 is the end of the DEC comment period. She had forms that she will leave at the Town Hall for individuals to fill out and then mail in. She stressed that they need to be in by January 11.

Arthur Greene asked the Town Board if there was any update on the status of the letter that had been sent to David Slottje about his pro bono offer to update our zoning code. Supervisor Marsh stated that a letter had been sent out in addition to several emails. She will send another letter out to him tomorrow. He also spoke about brine waste. He asked Highway Superintendent Purcell what we use on our roads and where it comes from. We use rock salt and

sand. It comes from Cargill Salt in Watkins Glen.

Beecher Graham asked if the Town was considering a law to ban the transportation of brine in the Town. Supervisor Marsh stated that they will look into this and she will also speak to the other Supervisors at their next meeting.

Assessor Fitts spoke to those in attendance about hydrofracking and assessments. If there are questions on the water supply at a house there can be an impact on the assessment; if you have no water the buildings have no value. He needs to see something on how it affects the property. He can't measure anything until it happens. The only definite is that if you don't have water it will affect the value of the property. A question was asked that if successful wells were drilled would assessments go up and Assessor Fitts said no as you are compensated from the gas company.

Velda Ward spoke to the Town Board about an article in Rural Futures that indicates we are 9th in the state for the number of cows we have. We need to work hard to preserve ag land and to have smart land development.

R-49-13 Made by Dennis, seconded by LaFrenz to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Christmas
Pompey Town Clerk