

**TOWN OF HUME  
SEPTEMBER 11, 2013**

A regular meeting of the Hume Town Board, Allegany County, New York was held on September 11, 2013 at the Town of Hume Museum, 10842 Claybed Road, Hume, New York.

Supervisor Dennis Ricketts called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, and he led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. He then asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of all those lives lost or forever changed on September 11, 2001.

Officials in attendance: Supervisor Dennis Ricketts; Council members Gregory McKurth, Christopher Austin, Bruce Hinz, and Daniel Miller; Attorney David Pullen; Highway Superintendent Kevin Peet; Town Clerk Sondra MacEwan; and Deputy Town Clerk Joanne Cockle.

MINUTES

Councilman Austin moved that the Minutes of the August 28, 2013 meeting of the Board be accepted as presented, and Councilman Hinz seconded. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

COMMUNITY FORUM

Several members of the Dee Victor Thomas post of the American Legion were present. Post Commander Edward Haag thanked the Town for their help in arranging the recent ceremony to retire flags with dignity and honor. He then introduced Alex Clark, candidate for the Eagle Scout award.

Alex explained his candidate project. He designed and constructed a sign and flower area for Pine Grove Cemetery on County Road 4. Businesses, family, and friends donated to the costs for the construction, and he was seeking contributions for the future upkeep to the sign and landscaped area.

The Board commended him for the project, and agreed to discuss a possible donation.

Steven Morley addressed the Board. He and his wife have started a business soliciting accounts for Ambit Energy, an electricity supply source.

He will contact the Town Clerk for account information in order to develop a savings proposal for the Town.

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BID OPENINGS

At 7:15 PM, Supervisor Ricketts began the opening of bids for a truck, dump body and snowplow.

2014 Medium Duty Truck & Dump Box

Company	Amount of Bid
Basil Ford	\$50533.00
West Herr Ford	\$51516.00
Vision Ford	\$52708.00

2014 9' Fisher MC Series Snow Plow, Installed

Company	Amount of Bid
R.S. Maher	\$11480.00
Basil Ford	\$9500.00
Vision Ford	\$11850.00
West Herr Ford	\$9500.00

Councilman Austin moved that Highway Superintendent Peet review the bids for consideration at a future Board meeting. Councilman Hinz seconded. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Supervisor Peet told the Board that the repair to the Fire Company parking area would be completed to Board of Election requirements on schedule.

The Board discussed areas of the Cold Creek armoring that they felt incomplete. The engineer and contractor will be consulted.

Councilman Hinz questioned Supervisor Peet on the types of gravel used by the County during their rehab of County Road 23. Supervisor Peet could not compare Town gravel supplies with the material the county used.

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### LEGAL TOPICS

Councilman Austin moved that the Supervisor be authorized to sign a release form acknowledging receipt of payments from RGE for the co-generating facility. Councilman Miller seconded. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

### PARK GRANT

Councilman Miller reviewed purchase approvals and orders for park equipment. Some supplies should begin to arrive within three weeks. Proposals for a security system are being sought.

### WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT

Supervisor Ricketts introduced Scott Willgens, the new Water and Waste Water Maintenance worker.

In a general discussion with Mr. Willgens, the Board stressed safety issues that must be followed. They also considered the hiring of professional advisors for a baseline analysis of the system.

### SUPERVISOR'S AGENDA

Supervisor Ricketts and Clerk Sondra MacEwan asked the Board to formalize the park access policy (via gate). It is a liability to allow vehicles to use the drive inside and past the playground area.

Supervisor Ricketts moved that the access road gate be locked at all times, and that no facility user be given the key. Councilman Miller seconded. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

The Town will provide a cart to reservation holders to move supplies and equipment to the pavilion from the parking area.

Supervisor Ricketts scheduled September 18 and September 25, 2013 meetings of the Board to work on the 2014 budget. The meetings will be at the Museum at 7:00 PM.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

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Supervisor Ricketts moved that the Board enter Executive Session to confer with the Attorney. Councilman Miller seconded. 5 ayes, 0 noes. The Board entered Executive Session at 8:17 PM and returned to Open Meeting at 8:40 PM.

(Councilman McKurth left the meeting during this discussion.)

### MISCELLANEOUS

Dana Potter submitted a complaint regarding the sewer plant to the Board. Councilman Miller moved that a letter be sent to Mr. Potter stating that the matters were being addressed. Councilman Austin seconded. 4 ayes, 0 noes.

Jim Mills asked why he had not been called about a job opening within the Town. He was told it was not considered necessary as he did not meet the position's criteria.

### BILLS AND REPORTS

Councilman Austin moved that the reports of the Supervisor and Town Clerk be accepted as presented, and that the bills be accepted for payment. Councilman Miller seconded. 4 ayes, 0 noes.

(General 256-289 \$12421.69; Highway 152-169 \$54674.23; Park Grant #5 \$2525.00; Lighting #9 \$1456.61; Fire Protection #14 \$690.61; Sewer #99-107 \$1368.45; Water #144-151 \$493.12)

Councilman Austin moved that the meeting be adjourned, and Councilman Miller seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.

The next regular meeting of the Town Board will be September 18, 2013 at 7::00 PM at the Museum.

Respectfully submitted,

Sondra MacEwan

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