

**TOWN OF HUME**

November 13, 2013

A regular meeting of the Hume Town Board, Allegany County, New York was held on November 13, 2013 at the Town of Hume Museum, 10842 Claybed Road, Hume, New York.

Officials in Attendance: Supervisor Dennis Ricketts; Council members Daniel Miller, Gregory McKurth, Christopher Austin, and Bruce Hinz; Attorney David Pullen; Highway Superintendent Kevin Peet; Water/Sewer Department Scott Willgens; Deputy Town Clerk Joanne Cockle.

Also, in attendance newly elected Council member Darlene Mason; Town Clerk Susan Bodnar.

Supervisor Dennis Ricketts called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, and he led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**MINUTES APPROVAL**

September 11, 2013: Councilman Austin made a motion to approve the minutes with a correction that Jim Mills asked why he had not been called about a job opening within the Town. He was told the position was advertised and posted. He could have applied like everyone else. Superintendent Ricketts stated he did not even think of calling him and said he apologized for not calling. Councilman Hinz seconded the motion. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

September 18, 25, October 9, 16, November 4, 2013: Councilman Miller made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilmen McKurth seconded the motion. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Wiscoy/Roszburg Fire Company representative Alan Mills and Brooks Hose Fire Company representative Gerald Gayford presented two contracts to Supervisor Ricketts and the Board for high-band radio equipment. One contract is between Allegany County - Town of Hume and the other is between Town of Hume – Brooks Hose and Wiscoy/Roszburg Fire Companies. These contracts are considered “Pass thru Contracts” with no cost to the Town of Hume.

Councilman McKurth made a motion to enter into the two contracts for “Broadband Radio Equipment”. Seconded by Councilman Miller. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

Steve and Cathy Morley asked if the Town had made a decision on the electric accounts to possibly change to Ambit Energy. Supervisor Ricketts explained that the Board and bookkeeper had not made a decision at this time.

Fillmore Central School Government class students Hannah Bodnar and Emily Bower were at the meeting for a class project. Supervisor Ricketts signed an attendance certificate for each of them.

**COLD CREEK GRANT**

The Cold Creek Grant is completed. The final payments have been submitted and the final paperwork on closing the grant is in the process.

**PARKS GRANT**

Security system proposals were presented:

ATV	7/15/2013	\$2800.00
Computer Clinic	10/23/2013	\$4685.08
Computer Solutions	10/30/2013	\$1306.77
Austin Security	11/06/2013	\$3435.11

Councilman Austin made a motion to disqualify ATN and Computer Solutions proposals because they were not complete with full details and to accept the Austin Security proposal. Supervisor Ricketts seconded the motion. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

**2014 TOWN OF HUME BUDGET**

The 2014 Town budget is complete and submitted to the County. Supervisor is working on the Tax Cap information and will submit it when complete. Supervisor Ricketts will review the Reserve accounts and bring the information to the December 2013 meeting.

**REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICE**

The Town Board reviewed the Real Property Tax Exemption paperwork and noted that there will not be a change in the amount for 2014. Supervisor Ricketts completed the forms.

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

Highway Superintendent noted that the new Truck has been ordered and the plow.

Highway Superintendent gave the paperwork from E&M Engineers on Pond Road to Supervisor Ricketts and explained what should be done to fix the ongoing problem. Councilman Austin will consult the Grant Writer O'Connell. The Highway Superintendent will check with the County and try to get a traffic counter for next spring. Soil & Water Department will be contacted to see if there could be any help.

**WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT**

Scott Willgens reviewed some of his work: beds at the Sewer, backflow valves, SPEDS permit, and license class which he cannot get into until spring. Supervisor Ricketts asked that the meter or reader numbers be given to the office to keep the records up-to-date.

**DEC TRAINING**

Susan Bodnar will be attending a DEC training class Nov. 14, 2013. Councilman Miller made a motion to reimbursement mileage for the class to Susan Bodnar. Councilman Austin seconded the motion. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

## UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Councilman Miller made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 8:17 PM for ongoing negotiations. Councilman Austin seconded the motion. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

The Board returned to Open Meeting at 8:48 PM.

### **SIDEWALK PLOW OPERATOR**

Councilman Hinz made a motion to hire Allen Yanda for the Sidewalk Plow Operator. Councilman McKurth seconded the motion. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

### **BILLS & REPORTS**

Councilman Miller made a motion to pay all bills. Councilman Hinz seconded the motion. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

Councilman Austin made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Miller seconded the motion. 5 ayes, 0 noes. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Next scheduled meeting of the Hume Town Board will be December 11, 2013, 7:00 PM, at the Museum.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Cackle, Deputy Town Clerk