

December 11, 2019

A regular meeting of the Hume Town Board, Fillmore County of Allegany, New York was held December 11, 2019 at 7PM at the Wide Awake Club Library, 20 North Genesee Street, Fillmore, New York. Officials in attendance were as follows: Supervisor Darlene Mason; Councilmembers Peter Hopkins; Bruce Hinz and Daniel Miller; Deputy Town Clerk Sharon Smith and Town Clerk Susan Bodnar. Councilman Christopher Austin was absent.

A call to order was done at 7 PM by Supervisor Mason by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Minutes

Supervisor Mason asked to have this statement recorded verbatim; she made the statement 'to not accept the minutes as written; as the Town Clerk was instructed to put a public notice out for the new water rates. PUBLIC HEARING FAILED. This was to be held tonight. We are unable hold another meeting this month because it would fall on Christmas.'

Town Clerk Bodnar responded that she apologizes; however, she misunderstood the instructions and did try to verify it with one of the Councilmembers.

Grants

Catherine Rees of ACAP Solutions was present to discuss possible funding for the Water/Sewer grants. Councilman Hopkins motioned to move ahead with an income survey, with the assistance of ACAP, for users on the Water/Sewer Service, toward a possible Community Building Block Grant. Councilman Miller seconded. 4 ayes. 0 noes.

Community Forum

Representatives from Distributed Sun were present to introduce themselves and to let the Town know that they are reviewing land applications in the area that could be prospective solar panel farms.

Public Hearing

At 7:30PM Supervisor Mason opened the Public Hearing for sealed bids for the 2007 Sterling Dump Truck.

One bid was submitted from the Town of Allen; for the amount of \$25,000.00. Councilman Hinz moved to accept the bid, Councilman Hopkins seconded. 4 ayes. 0 noes.

Dog Control

Dog Control Officer Leslie Clagett was present to discuss some policies that she wished to put into effect. She was instructed to put the policies in writing and they will be addressed at next month's Board meeting as a resolution.

Museum

Councilman Hinz requested to see the file on the Museum grant that was given to the Town before Senate Catharine Young's retirement.

Supervisor Mason made a motion that all Department Heads submit a monthly recap of activity. Councilman Hopkins seconded. 4 ayes. 0 noes.

Water/Sewer

Cory Potter reported that he has reached out several times to the Badger Meter representative for the area with no response.

Mr. Potter reported that he installed a UV light in the Museum.

The water for the property at Lowell Street belonging to the Estate of Leora Arnold has been shut off at the curb, by request of the family. However, the meter was not removed. Clerk Bodnar reported that the family was notified.

Superintendent of Highways Peet reported that the new truck is being set up and will be delivered in January.

Resolution #11 of 2019

Superintendent Peet requested a Resolution for entering into a Shared Inter-Municipal Agreement for 2020 with the County. Supervisor Mason made the motion. Councilman Hopkins seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Mason- Yes

Councilman Austin- Absent

Councilman Hinz-Yes

Councilman Hopkins-Yes

Councilman Miller-Yes

4 ayes. 0 noes.

Resolution #12 of 2019

Councilman Hopkins motioned to accept the new Department of Transportation Drug and Alcohol Policy. Councilman Hinz seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Mason-Yes

Councilman Austin-Absent

Councilman Hinz-Yes

Councilman Hopkins-Yes

Councilman Miller- Yes

4 ayes. 0 noes.

USDA Grant Application/Resolution #13

Tom Becker of USDA informed Supervisor Mason, at a recent meeting, that grants are available toward the purchase of utility equipment. Supervisor Mason offered Resolution #13 to file a full application under the USDA Rural Development Community Facilities Program to purchase street maintenance equipment including a medium size truck with dump and plow along with a utility tractor and associated attachments. This resolution states that the Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to sign any and all documents pertaining to this application. The Board stated that they are favorable in purchasing this equipment and is essential to the department to maintain Town highways, clear sidewalks and Parks.

Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Mason- Yes

Councilman Austin-Absent

Councilman Hinz-Yes

Councilman Hopkins-Yes

Councilman Miller-Yes

4 ayes. 0 noes.

Highway

Superintendent Peet told the Board that Michael Dodge, Superintendent of Fillmore Central School approached him about the flashing lights at the crosswalk on State Route 19 in front on the school. The lights were installed in 1996 by the Town. The controller has become worn, and the lights on the opposite side of the street from the school are no longer programmable and have stopped working. Mr. Dodge asked if the Town would consider splitting the cost of a new controller for \$1,200.00 with a 1 year warranty or a wireless controller with the cost of \$1,800.00 with a 5 year warranty. Councilman Hopkins motioned to offer Fillmore Central School the option of sharing ½ of the \$1,800.00. Councilman Hinz seconded. 4 ayes. 0 noes.

Clerk

Town Clerk Bodnar informed the Board that Shawn Hotchkiss term for the Board of Assessment was ending. Councilman Hinz made the motion to reinstate Mr. Hotchkiss if he agreed to serve another term. Councilman Hopkins seconded. 4 ayes. 0 noes.

Town Clerk Bodnar introduced a design for the UTV and LUV tags to the Board. The price will be \$281.18 for 100, ½ split with Caneadea. Councilman Hinz made the motion to purchase the tags, Councilman Miller seconded. 4 ayes. 0 noes.

In response to Town Clerk Bodnar's previous request to move the Town Clerk's office to the Museum due to the Town Court's renovation relinquishing floor space in the Town Clerk's office; Supervisor Mason asked to have the following statement written verbatim: 'The Town Clerk had requested her office be moved to the Town Museum. We have discussed this and have decide will not be moving the Town Clerk's Office to the Museum. We are looking into other plans for the Town Museum. We thank you for your proposal.' Town Clerk Bodnar thanked the Board for the consideration.

Supervisor Mason also requested to have the following statement written verbatim: 'Local Law #1- ATV/UTV, Local Law#2- Dog Law and Local Law #3 –Right to Farm were passed 90 days as of this date. New York State has not received the Laws from the Town Clerk's office. Unless they receive the Laws BEFORE December 31, 2019 they cannot become a Law. We are instructing them sent registered return receipt and the documentation sent to the Supervisor verifying it was done. We want them out no later than December 13, 2019. And provide documentation to the Supervisor that it has been done that day.' Clerk Bodnar stated that had she known that she was supposed to file the Laws in question and that the attorney's office was not filing, it would have been done.

Town Clerk Bodnar shared with the Board that she has been in contact with Williamson Law Book, the Company that the Town uses for the Town Clerk Program, the Water/Sewer Billing Program and the Town's Accounting Software Programs, about information about the credit card program they use along with the software. More information will be available next Board Meeting. Supervisor Mason stated that she also was speaking with a woman named Virginia about credit cards.

Councilman Hopkins motioned to accept all Bills and Reports as written. Councilman Miller seconded. 4 ayes. 0 noes.

Councilman Miller moved to close the meeting. Councilman Hopkins seconded. 4 ayes. 0 noes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Bodnar
Town of Hume
Town Clerk

An Organizational Meeting of the Hume Town Board is scheduled January 8, 2020, at the Wide Awake Club Library 22 North Genesee Street, Fillmore, New York will be held at 7PM.

(General-\$10,690.62; Highway-\$14,444.41; Fire Protection-\$341.35; Lighting District #1-310.54; Lighting District #2-\$334.68; Lighting District #3-\$797.83; Sewer District-\$5,450.89; and Consolidated Water District-\$36,109.55.)

