

TOWN OF HUME
JANUARY 8, 2014

A regular meeting of the Hume Town Board, Allegany County, New York was held on January 8, 2014 at the Town of Hume Museum, 10842 Claybed Road, Hume, New York. Supervisor Ricketts called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, and he led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Officials in attendance: Supervisor Dennis Ricketts, Council members Daniel Miller, Darlene Mason, Christopher Austin and Bruce Hinz; Attorney David Pullen; Highway Superintendent Kevin Peet, Sewer Plant Operator Scott Willgens; and Town Clerk Susan Bodnar.

MINUTES

Councilman Miller moved that the Minutes of the December 11, 2013 be accepted with a change. The Board scheduled a Special Meeting for Thursday, December 19, 2013, instead of September 19, 2013 to address year-end financial actions.

The Board asked that the record show that concerns from the outgoing Town Clerk for the future were taken under consideration and after further discussion, respectfully declined advisement.

PUBLIC FORUM

Dennis and Steven Smith requested a review of their mother, Frances' water bill. There had been a water leak on the property in November that Dave Stenzel was able to assist in repairing. Further discussion was held concerning the new case by case policy whereby a volume of water not entering the sewer system would not be charged when calculating the sewer bill. The motion was made by Councilman Austin to adjust the Sewer portion of Francis Smith's bill. Councilman Hinz seconded. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

Tom and Margaret Huey presented a similar situation to the Board at the December Meeting. Councilman Austin moved to take the same measures for the Huey's bill, Councilman Miller seconded. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

Steve and Cathy Morley, Ambit Energy representatives, discussed statics about what their business could bring to the Town. Ambit could bring a savings of \$1200.00 yearly, with free energy credit for having 15 meters signed up. There is no cost and no contract to sign up. Councilman Hinz motioned that the Town try Ambit Energy for a year. Councilman Miller seconded. 4 ayes, 1 abstention by Councilman Austin. Motion carried.

Town Clerk Susan Bodnar requested that the Board accept her candidate for Deputy Town Clerk, Jane Stenzel. Councilman Miller made the motion and Councilwoman Mason seconded. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

FUEL BIDS

At 7:30 PM Supervisor Ricketts opened the only bid turned in. Councilman Austin moved to accept Rinker Oil's bids for fuel. Councilman Hinz seconded. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

The bids accepted are as follows:

ULSO #2 – \$3.2310/gallon

All Weather ULSO Winterized - \$3.3075/gallon

Regular NL- \$2.959/gallon

MUSEUM

Town Historian Rondus Miller talked about getting ideas together for the February meeting for an upcoming newsletter.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:05 PM the Board entered Executive Session for contractual negotiations and returned to Open Meeting at 8:35PM.

Councilman Austin moved that the Town retain Dan Spitzer of Hodgeson and Russ for legal purposes. Councilman Miller seconded. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

WATER/SEWER

Scott Willgens is working on preliminary steps to install check valves for the Water system to businesses and eventually homes to prevent back flow. A newsletter will be produced in collaboration with the Town Clerk's office to bring information to consumers.

LEGAL

Let it be resolved that Town Clerk, Susan Bodnar be authorized clearance to the following banking accounts:

Town Clerk

Tax Collector

Clerk Daily Account

Councilman Miller moved to accept the resolution. Councilman Hinz seconded. 5ayes,0 noes.

ORGANIZATION AND APPOINTMENTS		
		2014
Town Historian		Rondus Miller
Deputy Historian		Nancy Gillette
Bingo Inspector		Ray Swarthout
Deputy Supervisor		Daniel Miller
Audit Committees		
	Highway	Chris Austin
	General	Chris Austin
	Sewer & Water	Bruce Hinz
	Special Districts	Darlene Mason
	Water/Sewer Billing	Dan Miller
	DPW Committees	
	Highway	Darlene Mason & Chris Austin

		W/S	Bruce Hinz & Dan Miller	
Records Audit Committees (two year appointment 01-01-12 to 12-31-14)				
	Justice Department		Dan Miller	
	Supr. & Clerk's Records		Darlene Mason	
Records Advisory Committee			Bruce Hinz	
			Chris Austin	
			Rondus Miller	
Buildings and Grounds Comm.			Bruce Hinz & Chris Austin	
Court Clerk			Karen Cwiklinski	
Mileage Rate			56.5/mile	
Depository			Community Bank	
Newspaper			Wellsville Daily, and when warranted Cuba Patriot	
Posting Places			Town Hall, Community Bank, Library, Brooks Hose, W/R Fire Hall, Speicher's Store, Shop N Save	
Board Meeting Dates			2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM and 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM as necessary	
Meeting Place				
P.T. Laborer/Seasonal Laborer Rate			Maximum of \$9.53 per hour	
Office Cleaning			Maximum of \$9.53 per hour	
Purchasing Policy, Employee Handbook and Investment Policy			Ratified	
Attorney for the Town, 1 yr. apt.			David Pullen (Richardson & Pullen P.C.)	
Registrar, two year term			Susan Bodnar	
Deputy Registrar, two year term			Jane Stenzel	
Bookkeeper			Ted Hopkins; Wage set \$23.50/hour	

Councilman Austin moved that the reports of the Supervisor and Town Clerk be accepted as presented, and the bills be authorized for payment. Seconded by Councilman Miller. 5 ayes, 0 noes.

Councilman Austin motioned to have the meeting adjourned, and Councilwoman Mason seconded. 5 ayes, 0 noes.
Meeting adjourned 9:30 PM.

The next regular meeting of the Town Board will be February 12, 2014 at 7 PM at the Museum.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Bodnar
Town Clerk