**TOWN OF HUME**

**TOWN BOARD MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY 8, 2023**

**7:00 PM**

The regular monthly meeting of the Hume Town Board; Allegany County; Fillmore, New York was held at the Town of Hume Museum/Courtroom. Officials in attendance were Supervisor Darlene Mason, Councilmen Christopher Austin, Peter Hopkins, Bruce Hinz, Joel Clark and Town Clerk Dawn Bentley.

Others in attendance: Kevin Peet, Kevin Kruppner, Steve Thomas, Martha Thomas, Andrew Peet, Steve Peck, Rose Marie Goi, Rebecca Rowley, Thomas Bower, Joel Stroud.

Call to Order by Supervisor Mason

Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and a moment of silence was observed.

**MINUTES**

Motion made by Councilman Austin, Second by Councilman Hopkins to accept meeting minutes from January 11, 2023 as written. 5 ayes 0 noes So Carried

**COMMUNITY FORUM**

Rebecca Rowley gave update on Rev Up Hume and tennis court demo to erect pavilion in its place. She also gave update on Trail towns regarding river access.

Steve Thomas – complaint regarding the Hume Water District charge on taxes. Wished he had been informed prior to. Town Board took full responsibility and stated they should have issued a letter to residents of the water district about the debt service that was going to be on their taxes.

Andy Peet – looking for when the Debt Service will be paid off.

Tom Bower – looking to see what happened with plan for running new wastewater system down Greenway to avoid the four corners. Board let him know NYS Parks have not responded to their request but things still need to move forward, they could still approve that route.

Joel Stroud – Same complaint regarding the Hume Water District Debt service charge on the tax bills. Claims it shouldn’t be there because they are tax exempt. Board tried to explain that the charge was for the debt service and everyone in the water district pays that and once it is paid off the charge goes away.

Mr. Stroud wants the board to consider rescinding the state law that places the charge on tax exempt organizations.

**MUSEUM – NO REPORT**

**JUSTICE – NO REPORT**

**DOG CONTROL** – Vince Juiliano

Gave monthly report

**LEGAL – NO REPORT**

Townwide Insurance – Steve Peck from the Ryan Agency gave presentation and answered all questions from the board.

**HIGHWAY** – Kevin Peet

Opening of Fuel Bids – only 1 was received

Rinker Oil – Diesel $3.3403-gal, Winter $3.0501 gal, 87 $2.6966 gal

Motion made by councilman Hopkins to accept Rinker Oil bid, Second by Councilman Clark.

5 ayes 0 noes So Carried

Highway cont’d – keeping up with the weather, having to deal with the up and down temperatures.

All equipment has been serviced for the Spring. Doing regular maintenance on vehicles.

Looking to replace some equipment in 2023 that was purchased in 2011 – Trailer, skidster, and riding lawnmower, also looking for a used bucket truck.

Motion made by Councilman Hopkins to purchase trailer from JRM Equipment 10,000 lb landscape trailer for $5,400.00. 5 ayes 0 noes So Carried

WATER/SEWER – Kevin Kruppner

Everything is going well; they have been replacing meter heads.

TOWN CLERK – Dawn Bentley

Everything is running smoothly.

SUPERVISOR – Darlene Mason

Employee Health Insurance – discussed.

Motion made by Councilman Hopkins, Second by Councilman Clark to go with the Renewal Policy with Highmark Blue Cross. 5 ayes 0 noes So Carried

Pavilion Rental – possible rental increase. Board discussed the issue.

Motion made by Councilman Hopkins, Second by Councilman Hinz that as of January 1st, 2024 the rental fee for the Pavilion located behind the Fillmore Firehall will be $75.00 with a $50.00 deposit. 5 ayes 0 noes So Carried

9:20 pm Councilman Austin made motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Client/Attorney matters. Second by Councilman Hopkins. 5 ayes 0 noes So Carried

9:33 pm Councilman Hinz made motion, Second by Councilman Hopkins to come out of Executive session. 5 ayes 0 noes So Carried

Motion made by Supervisor Mason to pay all bills, second by Councilman Hinz.

5 ayes 0 noes So Carried

Motion made by Supervisor Mason, Second by Councilman Austin to adjourn the meeting.

5 ayes 0 noes So Carried

The next Town Board meeting will be March 8, 2023, at 7:00 pm at the Town of Hume Museum/Courthouse.

The above is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Dawn Bentley

Town Clerk