

**Town of Genesee  
Little Genesee, NY 14754  
Regular Board Meeting  
August 21, 2018**

**ATTENDANCE:** Supervisor Alex Smith; Councilpersons Joshua Bluhm, Howard Cornwall, Michael Cannon and Alyn Holcomb; Highway Superintendent Ben Reynolds; Town Clerk Bonita Brunner

**Visitors:** Kayla and Colt Bluhm, Peggy Cowell, Kevin and Lori Dzielski

This meeting was brought to order by Supervisor Smith at 7:00 pm.

**FLOOR PERMISSION:**

Residents who reside on Coon Hollow Road attended the Board Meeting to inquire again what the Town could do regarding an on-going problem with sheep running free in their neighborhood. They advised that the latest information is that the sheep have been sold but residents have seen pigs on the owner's property. They are definitely interested in the Town establishing a Local Law regarding animal control.

**REPORTS:**

Accountant's Compilation Report as of June 30, 2018 was provided by Berry & Berry and reviewed by the Board.

Supervisor's Report for July 2018 was presented and reviewed.

Town Clerk presented the following reports:

- Clerk's Report for July indicated total monies collected were \$ 326.50. Of this, \$285.50 was paid to the Supervisor for the General Fund, and \$41.00 to NYS Animal Population Control Program for dog licenses.
- Petty Cash Report was presented for the months of June and July. There is currently \$94.62 after \$5.38 was spent for bottled water for the Town Hall.
- Minutes from the July meeting were previously e-mailed to all Board Members.

Town Justice Report: Review of Court Fines collected during June totaled \$1745.00.

Dog Control Officer Gary Wagner presented a report to the Board regarding complaints received from June 15 through August 18. A total of 6 complaints were received, two of which involved sheep vs dog issues on Coon Hollow Road. One necessitated the removal of a dog to the town kennel and the owner subsequently redeeming the dog.

Motion made by CP Cannon and 2<sup>nd</sup> by CP Holcomb to accept all reports as submitted. Ayes all. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS & REPORTS**

Buildings & Repairs – Holcomb and Cannon

Clerk advised that there was a leaking toilet in the handicapped bathroom which was repaired today. Also, CP Cannon advised that some of the railings on the outside ramp need

repair. Recommended that we contact Jonathan Barnes who may know a contractor in the area who might repair them.

- Highway Department – Holcomb and Bluhm
- Parks – Cannon and Cornwall
- Cemeteries – Holcomb and Cornwall
- Grants – Smith and Cornwall
- Code Enforcement – Cannon and Holcomb
- Audit Committee – Holcomb and Cannon

**OLD BUSINESS**

***Local Law #3 of 2018 – Animal Control Law***

A proposed Local Law was presented to the Board. Discussion about issues regarding transportation charges if animals were confiscated; damages to any landowners properties; and penalties for charges. Also discussion about who could actually enforce this law. Resolution No. 2018-10 was presented to the Board by CP Howard Cornwall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by CP Holcomb, as follows:

**RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC HEARING  
FOR LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2018**

WHEREAS, THE Town Board of the Town of Genesee wishes to create Local Law #3 of 2018 which will regulate the control of Cattle, Sheep, Horses and any other domesticated animals within the Town of Genesee;

RESOLVED, that the Board has scheduled a Public Hearing for Thursday, August 30, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. to be held at the Town of Genesee regarding this Local Law;

Roll call vote taken as follows:	CP Bluhm	Aye
	CP Cannon	Aye
	CP Cornwall	Aye
	CP Holcomb	Aye
	Supervisor Smith	Aye

Resolution 2018-10 approved.

***Generator for Highway Department***

CP Cornwall advised that he has been working with Senator Young's office regarding a grant, with a dollar figure of approximately \$8000. Accountant Berry completed part of the information necessary on the application and she is available if additional information is needed.

***Fallen tree in the park***

Highway Superintendent Reynolds advised that a town resident requested they be allowed to cut the tree and keep the wood. Superintendent Reynolds gave them permission. It is almost cleaned up.

***Workers Comp Request for Physicals***

Second request given for copies of physicals needed by Allegany County Workers' Comp office.

**NEW BUSINESS**

***Funding Available for Dog Kennel***

Dog Control Officer Wagner received information from NY Ag and Markets regarding funding which is available for eligible shelters. He is requesting insulation and heat be installed for the dog kennel. Supervisor Smith will look into this.

***Budget 2019 Calendar***

Discussion about time frames for the 2019 Budget. Supervisor Smith will be requesting requests from various departments be returned to him on September 18 so that this process can begin.

***Constable/Bailiff Appointment***

On August 21, 2018 an e-mail was received from Erica Kreamer resigning her position as Court Constable due to other employment. Supervisor Smith will be speaking with Judge Pritchard for his input regarding this position.

***Deputy Town Clerk position***

Town Clerk requested permission to advertise for a Deputy Town Clerk. It was suggested that this be placed in the Olean Times Herald and also the MoneySaver to reach more town residents.

**PAYING OF BILLS:**

Abstracts totaling \$62,411.48 were reviewed for paying the Town bills as follows:

<b>Abstract</b>	<b>Voucher Nos.</b>	<b>Abstract Amount</b>
General Fund	131 - 150	\$ 9,633.04
Highway Fund	97 - 109	\$ 52,778.44

CP Cannon made a motion to pay the above bills, 2<sup>nd</sup> by CP Holcomb. Ayes all. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by CP Cannon, 2<sup>nd</sup> by CP Holcomb. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bonita Brunner  
Town Clerk  
Dated: August 23, 2018