

**Town of Genesee
Little Genesee, NY 14754
Regular Board Meeting
September 15, 2015**

ATTENDANCE: Town Supervisor Donald Jordan, Deputy Supervisor Joshua Bluhm, Councilmen Alyn Holcomb and Michael Cannon. Highway Superintendent Ben Reynolds, and Town Clerk Bonita Brunner.

Absent: Councilman Howard Cornwall

Town Residents: Kayla Bluhm, Peggy Cowell, Linda Randolph

This meeting was brought to order by Supervisor Jordan at 7:00 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Floor Permission: Linda Randolph

Mrs. Randolph presented information to the Board regarding Brittany's Law. This is a law which has been proposed by Sen. Michael Nozzolio which would create a statewide violent felony-offender registry. The Senate has acted on this bill for the last four years but it hasn't been brought to the Assembly floor for a vote. Mrs. Randolph told the story of her daughter, who had been violently beaten by a previous felony offender and almost killed. She survived and had begun to tell her story of the domestic violence that she had lived through.

Unfortunately, her daughter died in a tragic fire in Cuba, New York. Her parents are now carrying on her message and attempting to get Brittany's Law passed. Mrs. Randolph asked that, if anyone would like to sign the petition for this cause it would be presented to the Senator's office for support.

REPORTS:

Supervisors Report covering August 2015 provided by Accountants Berry & Berry.

Town Clerks Reports:

- Clerk's Report for August submitted. Monies collected totaled \$527.00.
- Petty Cash Report for August submitted. There remains \$51.00 in Petty Cash as the Clerk purchased postage stamps.
- Minutes from the August meeting were submitted for approval. CP Cannon made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes, 2nd by CP Holcomb. Minutes were approved.

Town Justice Report:

- Review of Court Fines collected by the Court during August totaled \$2,528.50.

Code Enforcement Report:

- James Cline, Code Enforcement Officer, submitted his report for the period between August 18 and September 15, 2015. Request made by CP Cannon that the Clerk provide a list of Building Permits issued each month for the Board.

Dog Control Officer

- Gary Wagner, Dog Control Officer, submitted his report for July and August 2015.

Motion made by Deputy Supervisor Bluhm to accept all reports. Seconded by CP Cannon. Ayes all carried and all reports were accepted.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS & REPORTS:

Park: CP Cannon and Cornwall

- CP Cannon submitted the Checklist for the Parks. Everything was approved when he inspected the Park tonight except he would recommend that the area under the picnic tables be cleaned and the garbage cans emptied. Apparently the grass was just mowed today and the grass clippings and leaves were left in the area. Highway Superintendent advised that the fallen trees have been removed except for the large stump which still needs to be moved.

Cemeteries: CP's Holcomb & Cornwall

- CP Holcomb advised that there was an issue this month with Scott Fuller. Apparently, when he went to Bowler Cemetery to prepare a grave someone had already done some digging there. The Clerk advised that she was not aware of this and the only burial she was aware of during August was for a Mrs. Carlyle.

OLD BUSINESS

- The 2nd installment for payment was submitted to the Town by Griffin Construction. The list of expenses submitted (\$60,000) was reviewed and accepted by the Town Board. Mr. Griffin also submitted recommendations to the Town Board for some changes in the heating system and water heater. He had an engineer do a heat-loss computation and recommended that a high-efficiency combination boiler/water heater be installed. He also recommended some changes to insulating the crawl space and vapor barrier for moisture control. This was reviewed by the Board and approved. CP Holcomb stated that he would like to inspect this after it is completed to make sure that what is done meets code and will not lead to further problems down the road. Mr. Griffin also provided a certified payroll for the month of August for the prevailing wage requirement of the contract.
- Discussion also about the paint color to be used. Mr. Griffin had provided paint samples. Some discussion about individual colors for each room with input from residents who attended the meeting. The Clerk will be speaking with Mr. Griffin and choosing a color(s) to be used.
- At the July Board meeting a Verizon bill was pulled from the abstract and the amount (\$226.09) was questioned. When the Clerk investigated this and submitted information to the Board at the August meeting she had, in error, used the incorrect telephone bills for reference. Tonight she submitted corrected information to the Board regarding the monthly service detail at the Town Hall before the fire was \$114.71. After the fire, beginning in January 2015, the cost was \$207.65. The additional charge of \$92.94 per month will be submitted to the insurance company as extra expenses related to the fire.
- Supervisor Jordan advised that he will be undergoing a knee replacement on September 22. He will be incapacitated for the next 4-5 months.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Renewal information submitted to the Board for the 2015 Library Contract This renewal provides for the Town to pay \$5,000 annually to the Library. The Board approved the Town Supervisor endorsing the renewal contract to the Library.
- The Town Supervisor and Town Clerk meet with Mr. George Johnson of Richardson & Stout regarding the upcoming renewal of our insurance policy. The Annual Review Application was reviewed by the Board. This will be submitted to the insurance company and a meeting will be scheduled with Mr. Johnson at an upcoming Board Meeting to review the new policy. Some discussion about the Cyber Coverage which can be obtained to insure against any problems with the town storing residents' private information. The Clerk has contacted Richardson & Stout regarding additional information on this coverage but it has not been received as of yet.
- The Town Clerk requested permission to attend a meeting of the Allegany County Clerk's Association on Thursday, September 17 in Wellsville. This would be a luncheon meeting and the Clerk would be unavailable at her office until later in the afternoon. This was approved by the Board.
- The Supervisor advised of the possibility that the Town Peace Officer, Al Morrow, will be retiring as of January 2016. He is presently on sick leave and his position is being covered by Ms. Erica Kreamer. Deputy Supervisor Bluhm requested that the Clerk speak with the Judge regarding her feelings on asking Ms. Kreamer to accept the position if and when Mr. Morrow does retire.
- Request made by a resident whose parents are buried at Wells Cemetery. He is purchasing a headstone and is applying to get a veteran marker for his father's gravestone. The VA form requires a signature by "the responsible official" for the cemetery. The Clerk inquired of the Board who is authorized to sign for this. The Board determined that the Clerk is the individual to sign any paperwork necessary for matters with the cemeteries.
- Discussion about setting a date for a Budget Work session to begin the 2016 Budget Process. Date set for September 29, 2015 at 7 p.m. for a work session. The Clerk was advised that this will need to be published in the Olean Times Herald and posted on the door.

Abstracts totaling \$113,474.32 were reviewed for paying the Town bills as follows:

Abstract	Voucher Nos.	Amount
Capital Project-Restoration	2-2	\$ 60,000.00
General Fund	146-164	\$ 10,411.56
General Fund – Fire	114-116	\$ 216.97
Highway Fund	115-124	\$ 42,845.79

A motion was made by CP Holcomb and 2nd by CP Cannon to approve payment. Ayes all carried and abstracts were approved for payment.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by CP Cannon and 2nd by CP Holcomb. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Bonita Brunner
Town Clerk

Dated: August 19, 2015