

TOWN OF PENDLETON
Work Session
October 20, 2014

A work session of the Town Board of the Town of Pendleton was held at the Town Hall, 6570 Campbell Blvd., Pendleton, N.Y. on the 20th day of October 2014 at 7:00 P.M. Supervisor Riester, Councilman Leible, Councilman Morrison, Councilman Fischer, Councilwoman Jarvis, Clerk Pienta, Budget Officer Don Bergman, and Water-Sewer Superintendent Argo were in attendance. There were 4 residents in attendance.

Supervisor Riester called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

Water-Sewer Superintendent Argo reported to the Board that the original water meter readers that were installed around the year 2000 have reached their life expectancy. He has been replacing 3 to 4 readers per quarter at a cost of approximately \$150.00 for each one. He said if the Town could purchase in volume the price would go down. There are currently 1560 trace meter readers throughout the Town. After a brief discussion the Board decided to contact the Town's grant writer to see if there is money available to help defray the cost and to build up the reserves in anticipation of future costs. He also reported that Niagara County will be extending the main water line that is located on Lockport Road and extending it out to Middleport. He met with Wendel Engineers; Niagara County Water District, and Town Engineer Dave Britton today at the Town Hall. Engineer Britton will be preparing a detailed report and presenting it to the Board at a future meeting.

A resident that lives on Bear Ridge Road asked the Board to consider updating the Town's current ordinance that only allows a property owner to raise chickens if they have more than 2 acres or more of land. Supervisor Riester agreed and said the Board will review the current code.

The Building Department asked for authorization to remove the political signs that have been placed in the right of way on residential and commercial properties throughout the Town. The Board felt it was too late into the political season to pull the signs out without any notification and will suggest mailing letters to the Chairpersons of the parties and perhaps next year send out the letters before the September Primary.

RESOLUTION 117 – 14

LETTERS TO CHAIRMAN OF THE POLITICAL PARTIES

Motion by Councilman Leible, seconded by Councilman Morrison, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: Ayes 5 Riester, Leible, Morrison, Fischer, Jarvis

Nays 0

Resolved to direct the Building Department to forward a letter to each of the political Chairpersons to inform them of the Town Code violation regarding the candidates signs that have been placed in the right of way on residential and commercial properties.

Assessor Kelli Coughlin reported to the Board that her recent Assessor's Conference expences will cause her to exceed her budget. Earlier in the year the Board had authorized a property appraisal

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to be done by Girasole-Penale LLC for a property on Aiken Road. This was an unexpected expense taken from her contractual line. The cost of that appraisal is the approximate amount she will be exceeding her budget by for the year.

RESOLUTION 118 – 14

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ASSESSOR TO EXCEED HER BUDGET

Motion by Councilman Fischer, seconded by Councilman Leible, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: Ayes 5 Riester, Leible, Morrison, Fischer, Jarvis
Nays 0

Resolved to authorize the Assessor to exceed her budget by \$1500.00.

RESOLUTION 119 – 14

TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM CONTINGENCY LINE TO THE CONTRACTUAL LINE

Motion by Councilman Fischer, seconded by Councilman Leible, the following resolution was

ADOPTED: Ayes 5 Riester, Leible, Morrison, Fischer, Jarvis
Nays 0

Resolved to authorize the transfer of \$1,500.00 from the General Fund Contingency Line (A1990.0400) to the Assessor's Contractual Line (A1355.0400).

Motion by Councilman Leible, seconded by Councilman Morrison to adjourn 7:53 P.M. and to continue discussions for the 2015 Budget for the Highway. Motion carried.

Terry J. Pienta, Town Clerk