

Town of Amboy
TOWN BOARD MINUTES-January 18, 2023
Amboy Town Hall-6:30

Present: Kathleen Wilkinson-Supervisor
Bruce Stone, Larry Rayder, Holly Humphries,
& Dick Bryant-Board Members
Mary Ann Clark-Town Clerk
Paul Baxter-Tug Hill Circuit Rider
John Perkins III-Highway Superintendent
Bradner Whaley& Pam Clark-W. Amboy Fire Dept.
Sue Halbritter-Camden News

Also Present: Beverly Levreault & Dave Marzolf

Public Hearing-First on the agenda was a public hearing to go over the Fire Protection Contract for 2023. The hearing was called to order at 6:34 pm, by Supervisor Wilkinson, who asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Wilkinson explained that basically the only change in the contract was Compensation went from \$113,000.00, to \$115,000.00. There were no questions or comments, so the hearing was closed at 6:36 pm, on motion by Mr. Bryant, and seconded by Mr. Stone.

Call to Order-The meeting was called to order at 6:37 pm., by Mrs. Wilkinson.

Approval of the Minutes-Mr. Bryant made a motion to accept the November, 2022 minutes, and dispense with the reading of them, seconded by Mr. Rayder, and carried. There were no December minutes, as a board meeting wasn't held.

Organizational Appointments-Mrs. Wilkinson next read all the appointments for 2023. They are as follows: Deputy Supervisor-Holly Humphries, Town Historian-Tim Kelley, Accounting Officer-Nancy Butler, Fire Dept. Liaison-Lawrence Rayder, Highway Dept. Liaison-Bruce Stone, Sole Assessor-Warren Wheeler, Town Attorney-Leslie Schmidt, Deputy Town Clerk-Renee Ukena, Deputy Highway Superintendent-Carl Rayder, Town newspaper-Queen Central News, Dog Control Officer-Clayton Conover, Code Enforcement Officer-Ron Marsden, Building Inspector-Ron Marsden, Court Constable-Michael Morrison, Deputy Constable-William Stone, Town Registrar-Mary Ann Clark, Town Custodian-Mary Ann Clark

Mrs. Wilkinson said that the town justice was interested in having Mr. Stone as a deputy constable, but he would need to take the training for it, which is approximately \$1,500.00, and Mrs. Wilkinson asked the board if the town should pay for his training, and the board said yes. Mrs. Wilkinson then went on to say that all news releases, advertisements, public notices, and financial transactions must be made through the Town Clerk's office. Due to requirements for handling monies, all departments handling monies must submit to an annual audit, and provide documentation. Audits for this year will be done after the tax collector is done collecting taxes, probably in April or May.

Dept Head Reports:

Fire Dept- Mr. Rayder made a motion to adopt the 2023 Fire Contract, seconded by Mrs. Humphries, and carried. Mr. Rayder will once again be the town board liaison with the Fire Dept.

Legislator-Dave Holst was not present. No report given.

Highway Dept.- Mr. Perkins reported that chains had been purchased for the loader. Also chains were built for the '05 and '13 trucks. Mr. Perkins said he is still looking for electric wiper blades. He has received quotes for a new truck, which the board said they could look over, next month.

Tug Hill-Mr. Baxter provided a written report for the supervisor, board members, and clerk. He said they are in the process of scheduling the next Salmon Rivers Council of Governments meeting, and he asked for any suggestions on date, location, or items to be on the agenda. Mr. Baxter also reported that registration materials for the 2023 Local Government Conference have been mailed out. It will be held again at Turning Stone Resort and Conference Center. There is also conference session and registration information on the Tug Hill web site, <https://tughill.org/lgc2023> Mr. Baxter also said the Commission has established its 2023 meeting schedule, and the North Shore portion of the Tug Hill region's meeting will be on Monday, May 15, 2023, at 10:00 am, in Constantia. The location of the meeting will be shared, when it has been established. The annual Tug Hill dinner will be held on Thursday, October 19, 2023, starting at 5:00 pm, at the Tailwater Lodge, in Altmar. The 50th anniversary of the Commission will be celebrated. The Tug Hill plans on doing a webinar on officials changing over time. The Tug Hill has been working on a document to aid towns and villages in documenting information key to transitions. The webinar would be sometime in February, and there will also be a session at the Local Government Conference. Mr. Baxter brought in a list of updated expiration dates for Covid tests, and also reported that he assisted the town clerk with a problem she was having with her e-mail. And the entire 2023 meeting schedule is posted at <https://tughill.org/commission-meeting-schedule/>

Code Enforcement-Mr. Marsden was not at the meeting, but had given a report to Mrs. Wilkinson. He issue 1 building permit renewal.

Town Historian-Mr. Kelley was absent.

Planning Board- Mr. Kelley was absent. Mrs. Wilkinson also stated that Myrna Stone has resigned from both the Planning Board, and the ZBA. New appointments will need to be made.

Dog Control- Mr. Conover reported he hasn't had a dog incident in Amboy, in months. He also has an agreement with a shelter in Oswego County, where the woman who runs it will take dogs, and try to find homes for them.

Town Justice- Would still like to have Michael Morrison as her constable, and William Stone would like to be the deputy constable.

Town Clerk- \$69.50 was taken in for the month of November, \$66.50 to the Supervisor, and \$3.00 to Animal Population Control. No money was taken in for the month of December, 2022.

Old Business- Mrs. Wilkinson said she had no old business to speak of.

New Business- An overhead door needs to be replaced at the Town Garage. A legal notice needs to be

put in the paper, for bids. The board also decided to have the clerk contact the Syracuse paper, in order to be seen by more businesses. Mr. Perkins will write something up, and get it to the clerk.

Open to the Public- There were no questions or comments.

Approval of the Bills-Mr.Bryant made the motion to approve General Fund vouchers #225-257, in the amount of \$38,031.59, seconded by Mr. Stone, and carried. Mr. Rayder made the motion to approve Highway Fund vouchers #184-200 in the amount of \$17,292.61, seconded by Mrs. Humphries, and carried. Mr. Bryant made the motion to approve General Fund vouchers #1-13, in the amount of \$5,964.83, seconded by Mr. Stone, and carried. Mr. Rayder made the motion to approve Highway Fund vouchers #1-21, in the amount of \$60,943.53, seconded by Mrs. Humphries, and carried.

Supervisor's Report-Balance sheets and reconciliation summaries are provided, and a copy of the full monthly financial statement is provided. A copy of all financial reports are available from either Ms. Butler, town accounting officer, or from the supervisor.

Next month's meeting also falls on a holiday, so the meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 22, 2023, instead.

Adjournment-At 7:21 pm, Mr. Bryant motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr.Stone, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ann Clark
Amboy Town Clerk