

Town of Amboy  
TOWN BOARD MINUTES-April 17, 2023  
Amboy Town Hall-7:00 pm

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  
Sue Halbritter-Camden News

Also Present: Tom Vona-Planning Board/ZBA member  
Members of the Public

Call to Order-The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm., by Mrs. Wilkinson, who asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the Minutes-Mr. Bryant made a motion to accept the March, 2023 minutes, and dispense with the reading of them, seconded by Mr. Stone, and carried.

Dept Head Reports:

Fire Dept- The chief's report for the month of March was passed out to the Supervisor, Board members, and clerk. 30 total calls, including 3 structure fires, 10 EMS calls, and 1 MVA. The dept. is planning a couple of fundraisers, which are still in the planning stages, possibly one of them would be a chicken barbecue. The department received a grant from the Panther Lake Association, for an AED, which would be housed in Chris Race's truck, which is at Panther Lake, where Chris lives.

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

Highway Dept.- Mr. Perkins reported that the hot box has arrived, and is working well. They have started breaking down the trucks, from the winter equipment, but 2 are on stand-by, in case of more snow. Apparently the wiring needs to be replaced at the Town Garage, and a bid of \$6,347.00 has been received, and Mrs. Wilkinson made the motion to accept the bid, seconded by the board members. Mrs. Wilkinson also stated that the Maintenance software that was discussed at last month's meeting should be arriving soon.

Tug Hill-Mr. Baxter provided a written report for the supervisor, board members, and clerk. He wrote about a new associate Circuit Rider for the North Shore and Salmon Rivers Council of Governments, her name is Heidi Tompkins, of Redfield, and she was profiled in the March 24, 2023 Tug Hill Times. Mr. Baxter reported that the Town of Constantia has signed on to sending our state legislative representatives a letter in support of WMA payments from state to municipalities. So now all towns from the Oswego County portion of the Tug Hill have signed on to this effort. Mr. Baxter brought a printed copy of the new Tug Hill Commission issue paper of an analysis of the 2020 U.S. Census results, which is also available on the Tug Hill website. The Salmon Rivers Council of Governments met in Orwell at the end of March, to consider a request from the Village of Pulaski to be considered as a member of Salmon Rivers. And lastly Mr. Baxter reported that the Tug Hill Commission does a survey every 5 years of municipal local leaders to receive feedback on the direction the Tug Hill should go. Mr. Baxter felt the surveys should be mailed out, in about a week.

Code Enforcement- Mr. Marsden was not at the meeting, but had given his report to Mrs. Wilkinson. He has issued 4 citations, and 1 building permit, and has contacted the Health Dept. over a piece of property.

Town Historian-Mr. Kelley was excused. No report given.

Planning Board- Mr. Kelley was excused. No report given.

Dog Control- Mr. Conover reported that all the shelters in this area are packed with dogs. He signed an agreement with the Rome Humane Society, but it may cost \$200.00, for a dog to be placed .

Town Tax Collector- Mrs. Wilkinson read the final report from the tax collector, which entailed how much money is still outstanding, and how much the town has received in late fees.

Town Clerk- Took in \$127.00, total. A check for \$100.50, went to the supervisor, and \$4.00 was paid out to Animal Population Control, in Albany, and \$22.50 went to the state health department, for their share of a Marriage License.

Old Business- Mrs. Wilkinson said the bids for the overhead doors would be extended. So it was decided to run the legal notice in the papers again, and open any bids at the May board meeting.

New Business- Mrs. Wilkinson said that she really didn't have any new business.

Open to the Public- The meeting was next opened to the public. An attendee from Little Pond Road spoke about problems on her road that have been going on for months. She has contacted the police, the D.A.'s office, and board members. After a discussion ensued on the horrendous things she and her family have endured, she mentioned that she would like to see some laws put in place where the property could be taken away from the offending parties. Mrs. Wilkinson discussed other roads in town with similar problems, and said that citations have been issued. Other residents were in the audience, in support of the Little Pond Rd. resident. Another resident from State Route 183 came to complain about noise issues he was having with an Amish neighbor, who runs a sawmill. Mrs. Wilkinson stated that there is not a noise ordinance in town, and they are very hard to enforce. She will be asking the codes officer to attend the next meeting, and will also try and see if the town's attorney would be able to attend. Discussions ensued, and Mrs. Wilkinson said the matter would be tabled until next month's meeting with the code enforcement officer, and possibly the town attorney.

Approval of the Bills -Mr.Bryant made the motion to approve General Fund vouchers #54-72, in the amount of \$27,152.21, seconded by Mr. Rayder, and carried. Mr. Stone made the motion to approve Highway Fund vouchers #62-79, in the amount of \$106,944.57, 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.

Adjournment-At 8:07 pm, Mr. Bryant motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Stone, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Ann Clark  
Amboy Town Clerk