

Town of Amboy  
TOWN BOARD MINUTES-May 15, 2023  
Amboy Town Hall-7:00 pm

Present: Kathleen Wilkinson-Supervisor  
Larry Rayder, Holly Humphries,  
& Dick Bryant-Board Members  
Mary Ann Clark-Town Clerk  
Paul Baxter-Tug Hill Circuit Rider  
John Perkins III-Highway Superintendent  
Tim Kelley-Historian  
Sue Halbritter-Camden News

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

Call to Order-The meeting was called to order at 7:00 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 April, 2023 minutes, and dispense with the reading of them, seconded by Mr. Rayder, and carried.

Dept Head Reports:

Fire Dept- No one from the Fire Dept. was present at the meeting.

Legislator-Dave Holst was not present, but Mrs. Wilkinson said he will be delivering the Oswego County directories, soon.

Highway Dept.- Mr. Perkins reported that the electric pole at the Town Garage will be moved from the middle of the parking lot, to the north side of the property. National Grid will be doing the work. Mr. Perkins said the boom mower came today, and the on demand generator was brought to the town hall. Mr. Perkins said the power would be off at the town hall tomorrow, while the generator is being installed. Mr. Perkins also reported that the Osh Kosh rear end that was purchased by the town will be picked up on the 26<sup>th</sup> of the month. Mr. Perkins also said he plans on getting help from Mexico and Orwell, to get stone for chip sealing. Mr. Perkins feels the hot box will be a great help, in getting the roads done. Also new lights will be installed soon, at the garage.

Tug Hill-Mr. Baxter provided a written report for the supervisor, board members, and clerk. He wrote that the Commission will be conducting a webinar on abandoned cemeteries, and municipal responsibilities on Friday, 10:00-11:30 a.m. Preregistration is required, and Mr. Baxter left a flyer, with more information. He also reported that many of the presentations from 2023 and earlier Local Government Conferences are now available on the Tug Hill web site, [www.tughill.org](http://www.tughill.org), at Training> Local Government Conference >Past LGC Presentations. There will be an in-person workshop on highway departments and town board and town budgets on Tuesday, May 30, 2023, at 6:30 pm, at the Village of Adams Municipal Building, 3 South Main Street, Adams, New York. Preregistration is requested. Pulaski is now a signatory to the Salmon Rivers Council of Governments Intermunicipal Agreement, the document which is the legal basis for the council. And Mr. Baxter said he has a form to add local officials to the Tug Hill Commission database.

Code Enforcement- Mr. Marsden was not at the meeting, but had given his report to Mrs. Wilkinson. He has issued 5 building permits, 4 Violations, and has inspections ongoing for open permits. He will also be contacting the Health Dept. over a property with huge stacks of garbage piled up.

Town Historian-Mr. Kelley would like to step down from his duties, but said that he will stay on until another person is found. Margo Fassler was mentioned as a possibility.

Planning Board- Mr. Vona reported that the new officers of the Planning Board are himself as chair person, Gary Douglas is vice chair, and Brandy Wheeler is secretary. The board approved a new form for site plan applications, and they will continue reviewing the employee handbook.

Dog Control- Mr. Conover has been busy. He has been trying to find homes for a few dogs, but one was so aggressive that no one wanted it.

Town Tax Collector- Done with duties for the year.

Town Clerk- Took in \$994.00, total. A check for \$987.00, went to the supervisor, and \$7.00 was paid out to Animal Population Control, in Albany.

Old Business- One bid for the garage doors was received from Harvey Materials, in Rome, N.Y. The bid was for \$44,500.00. After a discussion, Mr. Rayder made a motion to reject the bid, seconded by Mrs. Humphries, and carried. It will be tabled until July, and another notice will go out, for bids to be read at the September meeting.

New Business- Mrs. Wilkinson reported that the on demand generator at the Historical Society Building had to be repaired, and although the town was given a discount on labor, the final bill was \$1,900.09. Mrs. Humphries made motion to pay the bill, seconded by Mr. Rayder, and carried. Mrs. Wilkinson also stated that some appointments needed to be made, so she made the motion to re-appoint Tom Vona to the Planning Board, as chairman, seconded by Mr. Bryant, and carried. Mr. Bryant made the motion to appoint Bruce Walters as the chair of the ZBA, seconded by Mr. Rayder, and carried.

Open to the Public- The meeting was next opened to the public. Mrs. Wilkinson explained that the Code Officer couldn't be here, and the town attorney is also a judge in Granby, and has court tonight. Mrs. Wilkinson explained that laws passed in Oswego and Fulton may not be feasible in Amboy, as both of those towns have many businesses, and a bigger tax base than Amboy. Someone asked if something

could be done for campers that have been sitting on a property for years? Someone else wanted to know how many unlicensed vehicles could be on a property? They were told two, and another member of the audience stated that he had received a letter from the codes officer stating that all the vehicles on his property had to be removed. There were quite a few discussions about the different problems in town, and Mrs. Wilkinson stated that all these problems will be an ongoing situation that will be continually discussed with the code enforcement officer, and the town's attorney. Another person asked Mr. Perkins if anything could be done about parts of Little Pond Road that are getting bad? Mr. Perkins then explained how he means to fix it. Mrs. Wilkinson thanked people for coming, and asked them to keep coming, and staying involved.

Approval of the Bills -Mr.Rayder made the motion to approve General Fund vouchers #73-98, in the amount of \$17,961.22, seconded by Mrs. Humphries, and carried. Mr. Bryant made the motion to approve Highway Fund vouchers #80-98, in the amount of \$15,124.35, 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 7:55 pm, Mr. Rayder motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Bryant, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Ann Clark  
Amboy Town Clerk