

Town of Amboy
TOWN BOARD MINUTES-June 19, 2023
Amboy Town Hall-7:00 pm

Present: Kathleen Wilkinson-Supervisor
Larry Rayder, Holly Humphries, Bruce Stone
& 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: Heidi Tompkins-Tug Hill Circuit Rider
Bradford Whaley-W. Amboy Fire Dept.

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 May, 2023 minutes, and dispense with the reading of them, seconded by Mr. Rayder, and carried.

Dept Head Reports:

Fire Dept- Bradford Whaley passed out the chief's report for May. There were 28 total calls, including 2 structure fires, 1 MVA, and 17 EMS calls. The chicken barbeque fundraiser was deemed a success. Mr. Whaley reported that the department had purchased a heavy rescue, and also wanted to know if board members would be available on Wednesday, to have photos taken with the firemen, and the AEDs. Mr. Whaley also stated they would like to put a notice in the paper concerning CPR training, and Mrs. Wilkinson said all notices are to be given to the clerk. Mrs. Wilkinson also mentioned that she had been having a discussion with the Williamstown supervisor about the fire departments combining resources, as equipment is so expensive.

Legislator-Dave Holst was not present, no report was given.

Highway Dept.- Mr. Perkins reported that last month they took down the silo on Harry Bryant Road, as it was in the right of way, and now he feels the road is much safer. The guys have been hauling stone, and they will be spray patching, and working on Little Pond Road. Mr. Perkins stated that he hopes to have all that work done by July 1st. The lights have been replaced at the Town Garage, and NYMIR is coming on Wednesday, at 9 a.m. Mr. Perkins also reported that measurements have been taken concerning moving the light pole.

Tug Hill-Mr. Baxter provided a written report for the supervisor, board members, and clerk. Mr. Baxter brought Heidi Tompkins to the meeting, she will be helping Mr. Baxter, and she gave the report. As part of the Tug Hill Commission's 50th anniversary celebration, they are seeking nominations for Tug Hill Sages. Since 1983, the distinction of "Tug Hill Sage" has been bestowed upon local individuals who have demonstrated a lifelong commitment to the region through leadership, civic involvement, and community service-or individuals who have otherwise directly contributed to improving the quality of life, for those on the hill. To date 36 individuals have been recognized for their contributions to the region. The commission will be accepting nomination forms from June 1 to August 15, 2023. Mr. Baxter left copies of the nomination form, and those recognized in the past. The newest round of sages will be selected in September, and announced at the 50th anniversary celebration on October 19th, at Tailwater Lodge. Forms and guidelines are available on the commission's website: www.tughill.org. The commission is in the process of tallying the responses to the every five year survey, and Mr. Baxter will report on the results, when they are available. Also the recent workshop on highway depts. and town budgets, conducted by Laird Petrie, is now available (YouTube video and slide deck handout) on the Tug Hill Commission website at <https://tughill.org/services/training/>. Mr. Baxter also reported that he helped set up an e-mail account for Mrs. Humphries to check the fuel reports.

Code Enforcement- Mr. Marsden was not at the meeting, but had given his report to Mrs. Wilkinson. He has issued 4 building permits, and is in the process of documenting every camper in town. If using as a residence, they will be given a citation. If it is just a temporary occupancy, it will be okay. Mr. Marsden also has 57 open permits. He is also issuing citations to places that are building without a permit.

Town Historian-Mr. Kelley was not present.

Planning Board- No report was given.

Dog Control- Mr. Conover had a few dogs, they were either returned to their owners, or re-homed.

Town Clerk-Took in a total of \$1,030.00. \$1,010.00 paid to supervisor, and a check for \$20.00 went to Animal Population Control, in Albany.

Old Business-The overhead door bids for the Town Garage have been postponed until the September meeting.

New Business- Mrs. Wilkinson reported that the on demand generator for the Town Hall has been installed, paid for by a court grant. A protective structure will be built over the generator, also paid for by the same court grant. The structure will also protect the air conditioner.

NYMIR sent a letter to Mrs. Wilkinson asking that the Highway Garage use safety shut offs to the batteries, to help prevent fires.

There WILL NOT be a Primary on June 27th, in Amboy. No furniture needs to be moved.

Open to the Public- The meeting was next opened to the public. A question was raised as to how long it takes to get new buildings on the Oswego County website? And additions made with possibly no permits. The person said they have sent text messages to Ron Marsden, but have had no luck in getting an answer. Mrs. Wilkinson said she will check with Mr. Marsden, and see what she can find out.

Approval of the Bills -Mr.Rayder made the motion to approve General Fund vouchers #99-117, in the amount of \$17,565.29, seconded by Mr. Bryant, and carried. Mr. Stone made the motion to approve Highway Fund vouchers #99-123, in the amount of \$28,635.40, 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 7:50 pm, Mr. Rayder motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Stone, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ann Clark
Amboy Town Clerk