

Town of Amboy
TOWN BOARD MINUTES-December 18, 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
John Perkins-Highway Superintendent

Also Present: Tom Vona-Planning Board Chair
Bruce Walters-ZBA Chair

Call to Order-The meeting was called to order at 7:02 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 November, 2023 minutes, and dispense with the reading of them, seconded by Mr. Stone, and carried.

Dept Head Reports:

Fire Dept- No one from the fire dept. could make the meeting, but the Chief's report was handed out, and Mrs. Wilkinson said the audit report will be turned in soon. There were 43 total calls on the report, including 30 EMS calls, and 4 MVAs. Two calls turned out to be false alarms. This Saturday will be Fire Truck Santa, at the Fire Dept. Mrs. Wilkinson said she will be helping out again, as she did last year, and she said it was a lot of fun. There will also be First Aid and CPR training at the Fire Dept., offered to the public, in January.

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

Highway Dept.-Mr. Perkins reported that the white truck and sander were both sold. He also said the wood is in, to be used in the boiler.

Tug Hill-Mr. Baxter was not at the meeting, but he sent a report to the clerk. He reported that the Newly Elected Officials training held on December 6, 2023, and sponsored by the Tug Hill Commission, the Association of Towns of the State of New York, and the Councils of Government in the Tug Hill region is now available for viewing on the Tug Hill You Tube channel, or at this link, <https://tughill.org/services/training/> Mr. Baxter's report also stated that the Commission met last Monday, and established its 2024 meeting schedule. The Commission meets 9 times a year, and moves its meetings throughout the region, conducting meetings within each Council of Governments area, and rotates location, every year. The commission has scheduled the 2024 meeting in the Salmon Rivers Council of Governments area at its newest member, the village of Pulaski, on Monday, March 18, at 10:00 am. These meetings are open to local officials, and interested area citizens. Mr. Baxter said he presented the bill for calendar year 2023 dues for Salmon Rivers Council of Governments membership to the town, and wished everyone Happy holidays, and best wishes for a productive 2024.

Code Enforcement- Mr. Marsden was not at the meeting, but had given his report to Mrs. Wilkinson. He has issued 2 more building permits, and 2 more violations, 1 for building without a permit.

Town Historian-Mr. Kelley was not at the meeting.

Planning Board- Mr. Vona reported that the board is still working with the Tug Hill Commission, on revisions to the current zoning law, and proposed new zoning district. Fee schedules are being worked on, and people will need a special use permit for fences over 3 ft. high. The county also passed a 239N for subdivision regulations. Mr. Vona said they will need to have a public hearing, for the revisions to the zoning law.

Dog Control- Mrs. Wilkinson reported that things seem to be settled for the time being. Costs to leave a dog in a shelter will be going up slightly in 2024. The state did an inspection on Clayton's shelter, and approved it.

Town Clerk-Took in a total of \$579.80, \$552.30 was paid to the supervisor, and a check for \$5.00, to Animal Population Control, in Albany. A check for \$22.50 was also sent th the Health Dept., for the state's share of a Marriage License.

Old Business- For Local Law #1 for 2023, Mr. Bryant motioned to adopt the law, seconded by Mrs. Humphries, and carried.

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

Open to the Public- There were no questions or comments from the public, but the clerk mentioned that she had received an e-mail from the Mexico Town Clerk, asking if Amboy wanted to update their shared services agreement with Mexico? The board agreed to, and the paperwork was signed, and the clerk will mail it back to Mexico. Mrs. Humphries wanted to thank the town workers for unloading the whole food truck at the food pantry, the other day, and Mrs. Wilkinson wanted to thank Terry Clark and Lon Castor for helping her load up supplies for the town, and bringing them to the town hall.

Approval of the Bills -Mr. Rayder made the motion to approve General Fund vouchers #206-224, in the amount of \$8,269.63, seconded by Mrs. Humphries, and carried. Mr. Stone made the motion to approve Highway Fund vouchers #217-230, in the amount of \$50,154.85, seconded by Mr. Bryant, 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 7:47 pm, Mr. Bryant motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Stone, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ann Clark
Amboy Town Clerk