

Town of Amboy
TOWN BOARD MINUTES-July 15, 2024
Amboy Town Hall-7:00 pm

Present: Kathleen Wilkinson-Supervisor
Larry Rayder, Bruce Stone, & Holly Humphries,
Board Members
Mary Ann Clark-Town Clerk
Paul Baxter, Tug Hill Circuit Rider
Tom Vona-Planning Board
Corey Douglas & Chris Race-W.Amboy Fire Dept.

Excused: Dick Bryant

Call to Order-The meeting was called to order at 6:58 pm., by Mrs. Wilkinson, who asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the Minutes-Mr. Rayder made a motion to accept the June, 2024 minutes, and dispense with the reading of them, seconded by Mr.Stone, and carried.

Dept Head Reports:

Fire Dept- Corey Douglas reported that he had given Mrs. Wilkinson a copy of their Liability Ins. Policy, he also handed in the latest financial audit, and a roster of all the members in the fire dept. Corey also reported that the department has been doing trainings with both Williamstown, and Parish departments. He also mentioned that one truck is out of service, and has been for a while. The pumper truck also needs repairs, and a third dry hydrant has been added to Panther Lake. Mrs. Wilkinson asked Mr. Douglas if they would like the town to pay for the 3rd head for the hydrant? So, Mr. Rayder made a motion for the town to fund the 3rd head , seconded by Mr. Stone, and carried. Corey also reported on their annual car show coming up on August 10th, with a raindate of August 17th. As of now they have 25 cars signed up, and also lots of vendors. The department will be meeting with Parish, in August, to discuss fire safety month, coming up in October.

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

Highway Dept.-Mr. Perkins wasn't at the meeting. Mrs. Wilkinson reported that they were told there wouldn't be any delivery on the snowplows, for another 14-24 months. The order was changed, and now they might be available before the end of the year. It was decided that the '05 truck shouldn't be driven all that much, and the '13 truck is also needing more and more repairs.The septic tanks were

pumped out at both the Town Hall, and garage. And Mr. Perkins is trying to get receipts from the paving, for CHIP's reimbursement. Seal coating was done at the town hall, and the town park.

Tug Hill-Mr. Baxter provided a written report for the supervisor, board members, and clerk. He reported on a **Cemetery 101 workshop** being held on Wednesday August 7th, from 4:00-7:00 pm, at the Adams Fire Dept., 6 North Main Street, Adams, N.Y. 13605. The workshop will cover the basic aspects of successful cemetery operations. Attendees are asked to RSVP, but walk-ins will also be welcomed. A link to RSVP for the Adams workshop can be found at <https://dos.ny.gov/cemeteries-101>. The Tug Hill Commission is sponsoring 2 **town budget process workshops in August**, and the Town of Albion will be hosting one of them. The Albion workshop will be held at 6:30 pm, on Wednesday, August 7th, with presentation by Laird Petrie, and will cover a range of topics. Call (315) 785-2380, or e-mail tughill@tughill.org, to register for these free workshops. The commission is currently in the process of scheduling the next **Salmon Rivers Council of Governments meeting**. Mr. Baxter next reported on how he will be retiring in the first part of 2025. **the Tug Hill Commission is now advertising the circuit rider position**. Mr. Baxter reported that the Tug Hill has already received applications for the position, and they welcome more. All applicants must submit a letter of interest and resume to Katie Malinowski, Executive Director, NYS Tug Hill Commission, 317 Washington Street, Watertown, N.Y. 13601, or katie@tughill.org, no later than July 31, 2024. Mr. Baxter also reported that he has posted the **final 2024 town assessment roll**, and also assisted the **town clerk** with a portion of the **e-mail** transition to her new computer.

Code Enforcement- Mr. Marsden issued 1 building permit. Mr. Marsden now has 68 open permits.

Planning Board- Mr. Vona turned in the minutes from the last meeting. He said for the next few months it was going to be very difficult for him to attend the meetings. He asked if both boards could meet together, and that way they would have enough members. Mrs. Wilkinson said that would be fine, so Mr. Vona said both Mr. Walters and Mr. Race would need to be sworn in, as members of the Planning Board, and Mrs. Wilkinson said that could be done before next month's meeting.

Dog Control- Mr. Conover had a situation with neighbors unhappy about a dog using their yard to do "his business". After multiple phone calls, he finally got things straightened out.

Town Clerk-Took in a total of \$298.00, \$264.50 was paid to the supervisor, \$11.00 was sent to Animal Population Control, in Albany, and \$22.50 to the NYS Health Dept., for their share of a marriage license fee.

Old Business- Mrs. Wilkinson said that Mrs. Humphries told her about a situation at the Historical Building, where their propane tank was leaking. It has been taken care of. Mrs. Humphries attended the strawberry social at the Historical building, and is now a new member of the Historical Society.

New Business- Mrs. Wilkinson said she had no new business.

Open to the Public-A couple from County Route 26 came to complain about junky conditions of some properties in town, and wanted to know what was being done about it? They brought photos on their phone, to show to the board members. A discussion ensued, and things were explained to them about code enforcement, and what Mr. Marsden can and cannot do, and how sometimes he has to call the Health Dept., or the D.E.C. It was also explained to them that Mr. Marsden may not always know of

all the different places in town that need cleaning up, unless someone lets him know. If there are complaints about a certain piece of property, Mr. Marsden has a complaint form that can be filled out, and signed by the complaining party, but this couple didn't want to do that. Mrs. Humphries gave them her card, if they should have any more questions or concerns.

Approval of the Bills -Mr. Rayder made the motion to approve General Fund vouchers #112-129, in the amount of \$16,988.06, seconded by Mr. Stone, and carried. Mr. Stone made the motion to approve Highway Fund vouchers #108-121, in the amount of \$28,842.74, 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 8:08 pm, Mrs. Humphries made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Rayder, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ann Clark
Amboy Town Clerk