Town of Amboy TOWN BOARD MINUTES-January 20, 2025 Amboy Town Hall-7:00 pm

Present: Kathleen Wilkinson-Supervisor

Larry Rayder, Bruce Stone, & Holly Humphries-

Board Members

Mary Ann Clark-Town Clerk

Heidi Tompkins-Tug Hill Circuit Rider

Brandy Wheeler-Planning Board

Bradner Whaley, Corey Douglas, & Chris Race-

W. Amboy Fire Dept.

Excused: Dick Bryant

John Perkins

<u>Call to Order</u>-The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm, by Mrs. Wilkinson, who asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

<u>Approval of the Minutes</u>-Mr. Rayder made a motion to accept the December 2024 minutes, and dispense with the reading of them, seconded by Mrs. Humphries and carried.

Dept Head Reports:

<u>Fire Dept-</u> Bradner Whaley passed out the chief's report to the supervisor, board members, and clerk. There were 34 calls for December, 19 of which were EMS calls. Total calls for the year are 413, which is the most calls in a year that they have ever had. 2025 is starting as a very expensive repair year. The pumper truck needs to be repaired, and the estimate received is for \$17,000.00. Another estimate for another piece of equipment is \$3,000.00. The fire dept wanted to know if the town could possibly help at all? Mrs. Wilkinson said the board will discuss the repairs and let the fire dept know by next month's meeting.

<u>Legislator</u>- Dave Holst was not present, no report was given.

<u>Highway Dept.</u>- Mr. Perkins was excused, so Mrs. Wilkinson reported that the doors have been replaced at the town garage. There was a problem with no water at the town hall, that has been repaired. Septic problems over the weekend have been partially addressed, but the pipe from the toilet to the septic is being investigated, to see where it may need to be repaired. Mr. Perkins removed icicles from the eves outside the clerk's window, that were pressing against the window.

<u>Tug Hill</u>-Heidi Tompkins gave the Tug Hill report. She handed out the Monthly Bulletin from the Salmon Rivers Council of Governments, to the supervisor, board members and clerk. It had information on the 34th annual Tug Hill Local Government Conference. Registration for the conference

is now open. Fees must be received online, or by mail by February 28, 2025, to receive the regular registration rate of \$90. Other topics covered in the bulletin included OSHA post hearing comments being accepted, the Association of Towns Annual Meeting and Training School has been scheduled for February 16th-19th, 2025, in New York City, The NYS Dept of State, Division of Local Government Services announced the 2024-25 round of Local Government Efficiency Grants, and the NYS DEC has announced proposed changes to the regulations for Real Property Tax Law section 480a, also known as the Forest Tax Law. Heidi also left some quick reference cards for the supervisor, board members, and clerk.

<u>Code Enforcement-</u> Mr. Marsden issued 2 building permits and still has several open building permits. He has started code training that he does every year.

<u>Planning Board-Brandy Wheeler said she had nothing to discuss.</u> A notice will be placed on the town's website, looking for people interested in being on the Planning Board, or ZBA.

<u>Dog Control</u>-Things have been quiet.

<u>Town Clerk</u>-Took in a total of \$242.00, for December. \$233.00 was paid to the supervisor, and \$9.00 was paid to the Animal Population Control program.

<u>Tax Collector-</u>Renee Ukena gave a report to Mrs. Wilkinson. So far, she has taken in \$377,398.72 with taxes still outstanding of \$1,272,432.28.

Old Business- Mrs. Wilkinson stated she really didn't have any old business.

New Business- Mrs. Wilkinson also stated she really didn't have any new business.

<u>Open to the Public</u>- the meeting was next opened to the public. A person in the audience said he was hoping to talk to the code enforcement officer. He was told that Mr. Marsden would be at the February meeting. There were no other comments.

<u>Approval of the Bills</u> – Mr. Rayder made the motion to approve General Fund vouchers # 1-19, in the amount of \$12,793.22, seconded by Mr. Stone, and carried. Mrs. Humphries made a motion to approve Highway Fund vouchers # 1-20, in the amount of \$62,738.26, seconded by Mr. Rayder, and carried. Mrs. Wilkinson said that a large part of that \$62,000.00 was the Final payment on the 2021 truck.

<u>Supervisor's Report</u>-Balance sheets and reconciliation summaries are provided, and a copy of the full months' financial statement is provided. A **copy** of all financial reports is available from either Ms. Butler, town accounting officer, or from the supervisor.

Adjournment-At 7:27 pm, Mr. Rayder motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Stone, and carried.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Ann Clark Amboy Town Clerk