

Town of Amboy
TOWN BOARD MINUTES
May 18, 2026
Amboy Town Hall-7:00 pm

Present: Holly Humphries- Supervisor
Larry Rayder, Brandy Wheeler, Sarah Babcock &
Bradner Whaley- Town Board Members
Mary Ann Clark-Town Clerk
Rodney Campbell-Tug Hill Circuit Rider Assistant
John Perkins - Highway Superintendent
Chris Race, Corey Douglas - W. Amboy Fire Dept.
Chris Race-Planning Board & ZBA Chairman

Also Present: Doug Cleveland-Editor of Queen Central Media
Jay Bergen-Central Oswego Riders
Members of the Public

Call to Order-The meeting was called to order at 6:59 pm, by Mrs. Humphries, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes-Mr. Whaley made a motion to accept the April 2026 minutes, seconded by Mr. Rayder and carried.

Dept Head Reports:

Fire Dept- Corey Douglas passed out the Chief's Report to the board members, supervisor, and clerk. 23 total calls, which included 1 structure fire, 2 outside fires, 2 MVAs, and 15 medical calls.

Legislator- Dave Holst was not at the meeting, no report was given.

Highway Dept.- Mr. Perkins reported that the state budget hasn't passed yet, and with the price of oil what it is now, he doesn't foresee having a paving project this year, as it would be too expensive. He would like to do some spray patching, and possibly some oil and stone. Mr. Perkins stated that he has sold a lot of equipment on Auctions International, and has received approximately \$42,000.00. He would like to purchase another pickup, to replace the 2017 pickup. Finished cutting some trees on one end of Harry Bryant Road, still has some more to do. He said there are culverts to put in, he wants to do some ditching, and the water at the park is turned on. Mr. Perkins also said that the port-a-john for the park should be delivered this week.

Tug Hill- Rodney Campbell from Tug Hill gave the report from the monthly bulletin. The SRCG spring meeting will be held in Amboy, on May 27th, 2026, at 6:30 pm, at the Town Municipal Building. Mr. Campbell also mentioned under the "Did you know?" section of the bulletin, that Amboy was the last town formed in Oswego County.

Code Enforcement- No report was given.

Planning Board- Chris Race reported that the Planning Board received an application for a subdivision, but it was small, so no public hearing will be necessary, and the application was completed tonight.

Dog Control- All quiet.

Town Clerk- Took in a total of \$14.00 for April 2026. A check for \$12.00 was given to the supervisor, and \$2.00 was mailed to Animal Population Control in Albany.

Old Business- Mrs. Humphries told Jay Bergen that Amboy would not be opening the roads to ATVs, and we would be passing a resolution stating that. A discussion ensued for at least 15 minutes, with members of the audience offering both pros and cons. Mrs. Babcock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rayder, to adopt Resolution No. 3 of 2026, and it reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Amboy has received a request to designate multiple town highways for the operation of all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) and

WHEREAS, under New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law §2405, ATVs are generally prohibited from operating on public highways unless a municipality specifically designates and posts such highways for ATV travel; and the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law, Section 2405 allows for the opening of town roads only to access existing off-road areas and trails open to ATV use when it is **otherwise impossible** to access these areas without the use of said road; and

WHEREAS, the West Amboy Fire Department has identified roadway damage and maintenance of accidents and injuries that may result from ATV use on town highways; and

WHEREAS, the Town Highway Department has identified potential roadway damage and maintenance concerns associated with ATV traffic on municipal roads; and

WHEREAS, the Town's municipal insurance carrier has raised concerns regarding potential liability exposure associated with permitting ATV operation on town highways; and

WHEREAS, the Town currently has little to no established ATV trail infrastructure on public or private lands within the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board believes that trail systems should first be established through agreements with private landowners before any consideration is given to designating connecting roadway segments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Amboy declines at this time to designate any new town highways not previously approved for ATV use, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board may revisit this matter in the future should ATV trail systems be established within the Town and conditions allow for limited roadway connections consistent with New York State law and municipal safety and infrastructure considerations.

Upon a motion by Sarah Babcock and seconded by Lawrence Rayder the foregoing resolution was APPROVED as presented.

Supervisor Holly Humphries	AYE
Council Member Sarah Babcock	AYE
Council Member Brandy Wheeler	AYE
Council Member Bradner Whaley	AYE
Council Member Lawrence Rayder	AYE

I, Mary Ann Clark, Amboy Town Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution, designated as resolution number 3 of 2026 of the Town of Amboy, was duly passed by the Town Board on May 18, 2026, in accordance with applicable provision of law.

New Business- Mrs. Humphries didn't have any new business.

Open to the Public- There were no questions or comments.

Approval of the Bills – Mr. Whaley made the motion to approve General Fund vouchers # 76-92, in the amount of \$7,378.41, seconded by Mr. Rayder, and carried. Mrs. Wheeler made the motion to approve Highway Fund vouchers #108-133 in the amount of \$23,178.08 seconded by Mrs. Babcock, and carried.

Supervisor's Report- A copy of the monthly supervisor's report and financial reports are available upon request from Holly Humphries, Town Supervisor.

Adjournment-At 7:43 pm, Mrs. Humphries adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ann Clark,
Amboy Town Clerk