

Town of Amboy
TOWN BOARD MINUTES-March 16, 2016
Amboy Town Hall-7:00 pm

Present: Kathleen Wilkinson-Supervisor
Bruce Stone, Lawrence Rayder, Mark McNabb, &
Richard Bryant-Councilmen
Mary Ann Clark-Town Clerk

Others Present: John Perkins III-Highway Superintendent
Tim Kelley-Planning Board Chair/Historian
Tom Oderkirk Sr.-President, Pam Clark, &
Corey Douglas-W. Amboy Fire Dept.
Paul Baxter-Tug Hill Circuit Rider

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7 pm, by Supervisor, Kathleen Wilkinson, who then asked Ian Curry to lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reading of Minutes: Mary Ann Clark read the minutes from the February 17, 2016 Board Meeting, and they stood approved with one correction: the clerk had reported that a temporary repair to the town hall phone lines had been done, when it was actually the town hall power lines.

Dept. Head Reports:

Fire Dept- Pam Clark passed out the status report on calls. There were 22 total alarms. Corey Douglas reported that there will be a pancake breakfast with the Easter Bunny, at the fire dept., on March 20, 2016, from 8-11.

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

Highway-John Perkins III gave a written report to the supervisor, board members, and clerk. The report is on file in the clerk's office. Mr. Perkins mentioned in his report that he had gone to advocacy day in Albany, on March 9th.

Tug Hill Commission- Paul Baxter reported that the March 3, 2016 workshop on "Red Flags for Fraud", which was held at the Tailwater Lodge in Altmar, was well attended by town of Amboy officials. Mr. Baxter also reminded everyone that the Local Government Conference will be held in Watertown, in just two weeks. Mr. Baxter also reported on Windows 10, and how it is not necessary to upgrade, if your computer has Windows 7. He checked the tax collector's computer during the meeting, and also said he could check the town clerk's computer.

Town Historian-Tim Kelley gave a written report to the supervisor, board members, and clerk. His report is on file in the clerk's office. Tim attended the Oswego County Legislative Meeting on March 10, 2016, along with supervisor Kathleen Wilkinson, and town councilman Bruce Stone, for the Bicentennial Celebration kickoff. There are many events planned throughout the county, to celebrate

200 years.

Planning Board-Tim Kelley gave a copy of the minutes from the February 24, 2016 planning board meeting to the supervisor, board members, and clerk. The minutes are on file in the clerk's office.

Codes Officer-Wayne Hall reported that there had been no activity, so no report was generated.

Dog Control-Karen Ashley did not submit a report this month.

Tax Collector- Nancy Heintz reported that she has sent out all second notices for the tax bills.

Town Justice-Mrs. Dunham was not at the meeting.

Town Clerk-Mrs. Wilkinson asked Ms. Clark for her report, and Ms. Clark responded that she had left it on Mrs. Wilkinson's desk. Mrs. Wilkinson then said, well Ms. Clark did some business this month, but we don't know what! As it turns out, the report and check were in a drawer, and \$56.00 was taken in for 7 dog licenses, with \$47.00 going to the supervisor, and \$9.00 going to animal population control.

Open to the Public- At this point the meeting was opened to the public. Ed Lescenski, 1361 St. Rt. 69, reported that he had left a note in with his paperwork for the assessor, requesting a meeting with him. Mr. Lescenski reported that as of this date, he has heard nothing back. Mrs. Wilkinson replied that she has received many complaints about the assessor, and the board will have to look into it further.

Old Business-Oswego County Emergency Management training was rescheduled for March 23, 2016, from noon to 4 p.m. WAVFD members will be invited to attend.

The board then passed a resolution. Dick Bryant made the motion to pass the resolution, and it was seconded by Larry Rayder. It reads as follows: **Be it resolved that on 3/16/16, the town board appoints Jim Lemm to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a two year term until 12/31/17. The board also appoints Tim Kelley to the Board of Assessment Review, for a 1 year term until 12/31/16.** The motion was carried: Stone-yes, Rayder-yes, McNabb-yes, Bryant-yes, and Wilkinson-yes.

New Business- A fiscal oversight, and Red Flags for Fraud workshop was held on Thursday, March 3, 2016 at the Tailwater Lodge in Altmar. The presenter was Laird Petrie from the NYS Comptroller's Office, and it was an eye opening presentation. Kathleen Wilkinson, Nancy Butler, Bruce Stone, Mary Ann Clark, and Tim Kelley all attended. Mrs. Wilkinson feels that more controls are needed, and will be implemented throughout the coming year. The Code Of Ethics that will be discussed at the April board meeting is long overdue, and is a mandatory control.

The proposal from Frontier Communications for lowering our phone & internet bills will be reviewed by the board members at the April meeting, and hopefully a decision will be made.

A repair to the lighting and electric power at the salt shed at the town highway department was completed several weeks ago.

Approval of the bills: Mr. Stone made the motion, seconded by Mr. Rayder to approve Highway Fund vouchers #46-78 on abstract #003-16, in the amount of \$23,247.37. All were in favor. Mr. Bryant made the motion, seconded by Mr. McNabb, to approve General Fund vouchers#27-58 on abstract#003-16, in the amount of \$4,618.38. All were in favor.

Supervisor's Report -Balance sheets and reconciliation summaries for both general and highway funds are provided to the board members and clerk. A copy of the full monthly financial statements was also provided. A copy of all financial reports is available from Ms. Butler, town financial officer, or the supervisor.

Open to the Public-Ed Lescenski wanted to let the board know that the food pantry is in need of someone to drive a truck to pick up food for the food pantry. Williamstown use to provide a truck, but they no longer do. Mrs. Wilkinson said the board would try to see what they could do.

Adjournment- At 8:25 pm, Bruce Stone made the motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Mr. Rayder, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ann Clark
Amboy Town Clerk