

**AAMB
Town of Albion
Regular Meeting
March 10, 2009**

**Present: Supervisor: Frederick Stowell
Councilor: Jack Barker
Councilor: Nancy Sheeley
Councilor: Ronald Eldred
Councilor: Carl Anson Jr.
Recording Secretary: Town Clerk, Amy J. Ford**

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Stowell at 6:34pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Minutes of 02/10/09: Councilor Sheeley stated she would like the reason in the minutes, why Mrs. Ford had not given the town money from the taxes. Mrs. Ford stated she had given the town's tax warrant money to Supervisor Stowell the week after the meeting when she received enough to cover it. **Motion made by Councilor Barker seconded by Councilor Sheeley to accept the minutes with addition made. Motion carried. Adopted (5-0) Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Sheeley: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Councilor Anson Jr.: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye.**

Reports: 1) Os. Co. Legislator: Mr. Potter gave the following report for the County Legislature: A) Tax delinquent auction would be held on October 3rd at the BOCES campus in Mexico. B) The County would be authorizing the acceptance of almost \$1,300,000 for a workforce investment account to provide training for job seekers and to provide temporary jobs for eligible youths between the ages of 14 to 24. C) The County would be accepting a \$23,000.00 Grant to provide for participants to develop an understanding in green techniques. D) The County has had a lot of discussions about accepting a \$6,250.00 Grant to provide gas cards to people in employment and training programs. E) The County is authorizing a budget transfer of \$53,000.00 to hopefully finish up the gas spill project at the Highway garage in Pulaski; that brings the total cost so far on that spill to over \$500,000.00. F) The County has another Grant of \$190,000.00 to refurbish the Courthouse in Pulaski. G) The 2009 rabies clinics schedule is out, Mr. Barry Leemann was able to have the Town of Williamstown put on the list. H) Mr. Potter has found out that when your town is at 100% assessment anything over the county tax rate is from compensation claims in your town. The county has been adding that to the county rate. The legislature expects to make the tax bill easier to read and the compensation rate should have a separate line. I) The County is moving along on a new radio system, and they are happy to announce that the county has accumulated a fund balance of over 33 million. That is about 15% of next years budget that should ensure that the county would be able to hold the tax rate in line next year.

2) NOCA Director: Mr. Dealing read his report for February. Summary: The situation is still bleak. One ambulance has been taken off the road. The IRS problem is being slowly remedied. The CPA hired is asking for more money. The board of directors has decided to go with a company called Paychex to handle the bills and CPA duties. The medical director has been replaced with one that is a Remsco member (qualification).

3) DCO: Mr. Cronk submitted his report for March. Only two calls so far. Supervisor Stowell asked if Mr. Cronk was sent the 2009 rabies schedule? Mrs. Ford stated she has extra in her door box if anyone would like one.

4) CEO/BI: Mr. Mowers was absent but has submitted his reports for Feb. & March to the board. Mrs. Ford informed the board that Mr. Mowers would be attending class the week of April 13th to the 17th, and he would be unavailable until the evenings for those days.

5) Assessor: Mrs. Trudell was absent. Supervisor Stowell read a statement from Mrs. Trudell stating she was almost done with the revaluation and Mr. David Roach (Williamstown's Assessor) would assist her with the last week. Supervisor Stowell then read a NYS ORPS letter regarding the 2008 annual aid certification and the town receiving aid for the 3rd year. He also read a letter regarding the residential assessment ratio for the 2009 fiscal year.

6) Tug Hill Circuit Rider: Mr. Baxter was absent. Supervisor Stowell read the Tug Hill letter regarding support. He then gave the board the Tug Hill's Community survey to review. The survey needs to be filled out and sent back.

7) Town Justice: Judge Allen was absent but his February's report was given to the board to review. Supervisor Stowell stated that with the Judges Grant money a TV/DVD and a ceiling mounted projector are items being considered for purchase.

8) Fire Dept.: Supervisor Stowell read Chief Holcomb's February's report.

9) Hwy Supt.: **Motion made by Councilor Eldred seconded by Councilor Anson Jr. to retain Barton & Loguidice, P.C. as the town's engineering firm at a total cost of less than Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars. Motion carried. Adopted (5-0) Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Sheeley: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Councilor Anson Jr.: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye.** Supervisor Stowell then read the letter from Barton & Loguidice, P.C. Supervisor Stowell also stated he has forwarded a letter to the teamsters regarding hwy worker James Wheeler and his involvement with the fuel leak. Mr. Cronk would keep up with Mr. Wheeler's probationary report every thirteen weeks until the year's probationary term is up; this would start on February 23, 2009 to February 23, 2010 the date Mr. Wheeler signed the letter. Supervisor Stowell also stated he had sent a letter to the Os. Co. Sheriffs regarding the ongoing investigation of the town's break-in last year, it's been eight months and no results yet. Mr. Cronk then gave the following report: A) He would be posting the roads. B) The white 1990 van has two-rear flat tire's, he can get four used tires from Iroquois Tire for One Hundred Sixty (\$160.00) dollars. C) The brush hog from the old tractor needs modifications to fit the new mower. D) He can get the PESH mandatory locked cabinets from Pennsylvania. E) The 1987 Ford is worthless now, the box is rusted out and there is no back traction. F) With the boards approval he would like to send a letter to the County requesting they waive the tipping fee for the town's clean-up week May 14th to the 17th.

10) Town Clerk: Mrs. Ford read the following for February 2009. Total disbursed was \$117.00. Town of Albion received \$76.75 (general = \$30.75, part town = \$46.00), Os. Co. Treasurer received \$11.75, NYS Dept. of Ag & Markets received \$6.00 and the NYS Dept of Health received \$22.50. Petty cash is at \$25.00. **Motion made by Councilor Sheeley seconded by Councilor Anson Jr. to accept the report as read. Motion carried. Adopted (5-0) Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Sheeley: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Councilor Anson Jr.: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye.** Mrs. Ford then stated that the Altmar Hotel was applying for a liquor license renewal effective 04/01/09. **Motion made by Councilor Sheeley seconded by Councilor Anson Jr. to accept the audited clerk's books for 2009. Motion carried. Adopted. (5-0) Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Sheeley: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Councilor Anson Jr.: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye.**

11) Supervisor: For February 2009 as follows:

<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>
General Money Market = \$261,413.07	General Money Market = \$21,363.47
Hwy Money Market = \$275,905.06	Hwy Money Market = \$60,902.24
<u>Total Monies</u>	
General Money Market = \$615,223.86	Hwy Money Market = \$484,083.90
General Checking Account = \$986.45	Hwy Checking Account = \$551.20
Trust & Agency Checking Account = \$10,491.90	
Grand Total = \$1,111,337.31	

Motion made by Councilor Anson Jr. seconded by Councilor Sheeley to accept the report as read. Motion carried. Adopted (5-0) Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Sheeley: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Councilor Anson Jr.: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye.

**Resolution #2 of 2009
Investing Town Monies**

MOVE to adopt a Resolution to authorize and empower the Supervisor of the Town of Albion to invest monies received from the Tax Collector for the 2009 Tax Warrant into CD's and Municipal Money Markets,

NOW, THEREFORE, the Supervisor of the Town of Albion will invest One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) dollars into a 6-month Highway Money Market, and Two Hundred Thousand (\$200,000.00) dollars into a 6-month General Money Market.

Dated this 10th day of March 2009

**Motion made by Councilor Barker seconded by Councilor Sheeley to accept resolution # 2 of 2009.
Motion carried. Adopted (5-0) Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Sheeley: aye, Councilor Eldred:
aye, Councilor Anson Jr.: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye**

**Resolution # 3 of 2009
Judicial Grant Monies**

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Albion, Oswego County, New York, at a regular meeting of said board on the 10th day of March, 2009, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Town of Albion Town Board resolved to accept a Justice Court Grant on the 10th day of March 2009 in the amount of \$600.00 to be spent on supplies or equipment for the Court, and;

WHEREAS, we have already obtained a previous Grant from April 8, 2008, and these funds were not spent in the 2008 fiscal year,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the members of the Town Board of the Town of Albion, Oswego County, New York, have found it fiscally necessary to roll these monies over into the 2009 budget.

WHEREAS; BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Town of Albion, Oswego County, New York, hereby agrees to make the necessary rollovers of unspent Justice Court Grant monies from the Un-appropriated Fund Balance A599 into A960 Account, Sub Account A1110.2 for the amount of \$1,627.00.

**Motion made by Councilor Anson Jr. seconded by Councilor Sheeley to accept resolution # 3 of 2009.
Motion carried. Adopted (5-0) Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Sheeley: aye, Councilor Eldred:
aye, Councilor Anson Jr.: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye**

Audit Bills: General; abstract # 3, bills # 37 - # 47 = \$7,402.80. **Motion made by Councilor Eldred seconded Councilor Sheeley to accept and pay all general bills for March 2009. Motion carried. Adopted (5-0) Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Sheeley: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Councilor Anson Jr.: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye.**

Hwy; abstract # 3, bills # 65 - #93 = \$17,659.66. **Motion made by Councilor Sheeley seconded by Councilor Anson Jr. to accept and pay all hwy bills for March 2009. Motion carried. Adopted (5-0) Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Sheeley: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Councilor Anson Jr.: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye**

Village of Altmar: 1) Supervisor Stowell stated he had received a letter and bill from the NYS Dept. of Taxation and Finance. He would check into this and see if it belongs to the Village.

Old Business: 1) Sportsman Pool subdivision has been completed.

2) The town's subdivision regulations have been sent to the attorney for his recommendations.

3) Os. Co. Emergency Management NIMS compliance survey has not been completed.

4) Town of Richland's letter regarding exemption of their property in the town: nothing has been done.

New Business: Supervisor Stowell went over the following:

1) Supervisor's Annual Report: **Motion made by Councilor Eldred seconded by Councilor Barker to accept the Annual Report as submitted. Motion carried. Adopted (5-0) Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Sheeley: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Councilor Anson Jr.: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye.**

2) Os. Co. Supervisor's Association's invitation.

3) Attorney's fax on subdivision.

4) Miller Engineer's correspondence on subdivisions.

New Business continued:

- 5) Os. Co. Health Dept. on subdivisions: given to the board to review.
- 6) DEC letter regarding permits for wetlands.
- 7) Central NY Regional Planning regarding 2010 census: tabled.
- 8) US Census Bureau: tabled.
- 9) Time Warner Cable letter.
- 10) Os. Co. Planning letter.
- 11) Os. Co. Emergency Management letter: the town is not interested at this time.
- 12) A. L. Lee Memorial Hospital letter: the hospital is closing.
- 13) NYMIR letter regarding the amount the town has already spent on the fuel clean up.

Supervisor's Correspondences: Given to the board:

- Tug Hill Times
- Headwaters
- The Spotlight, Os. Co. BOCES
- Grant Action News

Adjournment: Motion made by Councilor Barker seconded by Councilor Sheeley to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Adopted (5-0) Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Sheeley: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Councilor Anson Jr.: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye.

Supervisor Stowell called the meeting to a close at 8:38pm.

Dated this 10th day of March 2009

Respectfully submitted,

Amy J. Ford

Albion Town Clerk