

**AAMB  
Town of Albion  
Regular Meeting  
September 8, 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**

Supervisor Stowell called the meeting to order at 6:32pm, followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Supervisor Stowell called for a moment of silence for those who died eight years ago on 9/11/01.

Minutes of 08/11/09: **Motion made by Councilor Sheeley seconded by Councilor Anson Jr. to accept the minutes as written. 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 from the Legislature: A) would be voting on a resolution to provide Property Tax exemptions for cold war veterans. B) Would vote in a resolution to accept \$216,831 dollars for HEAP (Home Energy Assistance Program), to assist people with heating their homes and streamline the county's records to process new applications in upcoming years. C) Would be approving seven new vehicles for the Health Dept., this would replace seven high mileage vehicles of the 32 car fleet. D) Funding the mosquito spraying of Toad Harbor area, 50% to be reimbursed by the State. E) Would be voting to replace a cold storage building at the county airport. F) County has commitments for paving from the Towns for \$1,100,000 dollars; the county would receive \$2,690,000 in CHIPS funding this year. G) Would be giving the Town of Richland a permanent easement for water lines in the vicinity of Grandview Avenue. H) Would be applying for a Grant to complete the construction of the household Hazardous Waste Facility. I) Have sold back to previous owners 22 properties that were taken for nonpayment of back taxes. J) Passed a resolution setting the equalization rates for the Towns in the County. K) Made five transfers into different accounts that was short and accepted four Grants.

2) Tug Hill Circuit Rider: Mr. Baxter reported there would be a workshop on "Planning Board Basics" at the Central Square Village Offices on 9/24/09 from 7pm – 9pm. Also, there would be a training workshop on "ATV & Snowmobiles... on Municipal Property & Roadways" held at the Redfield Fire Hall on 10/15/09 from 7pm-9pm.

3) Hwy Supt.: Mr. Cronk reported the following: A) Stone & chip sealing is done. B) Shoulders are cut & done. C) Had a problem with down trees, but they have been taken care of. D) Work on the fuel tanks has begun. A nest of spotted adders has been found under a concrete slab. E) The gas tank would be pumped out Thursday. Supervisor Stowell then stated the following: A) Town of Richland's ATV request would be tabled until 2010. B) Probationary report on Hwy worker Wheeler has to be signed and copies made & sent to the board and Union. C) Unemployment charges have been made. For weeks 1 – 7 cost would be \$233.00/week, weeks 8 – 26 costs would be \$56.20/week. Small discussion was made on this topic. D) Letter from the Os. Co Probation Dept. regarding the break-in of the old barn was briefly read. The District Attorney's letter references the Probation letter on the action that would take place at a later date. E) Received Barton & Loguidice's letter of notice to proceed. F) Dept. of Labor's log of work related injuries & illnesses needs to be posted. G) Fuel inventories have to be done correctly. Small discussion on fuel inventory procedures was made. Mr. Cronk then reported the cost of a new truck would be too much, he hopes the grant money would come through. Small discussion was made on the use of the CHIPS money and when to order and pay for a new Mr. Cronk stated the Trojan loader is in really bad shape. Mrs. Ford would place an ad for bids for both the loader and blazer when Mr. Cronk brings her the specifications and asking costs.

4) DCO: Mr. Cronk stated there have been no calls, only someone looking for his dog.

5) CEO: Mr. Mowers submitted his report from 8/01/09 to 9/03/09. Supervisor Stowell asked if an invitation to the Fifth Judicial Court District was given to him? Mr. Mowers stated no. Supervisor Stowell then asked if any work has progressed on the code violations of the unsafe structures? Mr. Mowers stated no. Small discussion on unsafe structures was made.

6) Sole Assessor: Mrs. Trudell had submitted a memo on the hearing results of the two small claims against the town. Supervisor Stowell briefly went over the memo.

7) Town Justice: Judge Allen's report was submitted and given to the board. He has requested a third phone line for a credit card machine. After doing research, Supervisor Stowell stated another line was not needed.

8) NOCA Director: Mr. Dealing stated that a 10.45% increase in the 2010 budget would be needed just to break even. Supervisor Stowell received a copy of the 2010 budget. The town board agrees to continue the monthly payment plan for the 2010 budget. Each town would have their own names on their own contracts for 2010, which would help eliminate some confusion. Mr. Dealing briefly went over his report, which led into a small discussion on the cost of NOCA's 2010 budget.

9) Town Clerk: Mrs. Ford read the following report for August 2009. Total disbursed = \$984.25. Town received = \$692.12 (general = \$308.12, part town = \$384.00), Os. Co. Treasurer received = \$121.27, NYSDEC received = \$53.86, NYS Ag & Markets received = \$72.00, NYS Health Dept. received = \$45.00. Petty cash is at \$25.00. Mrs. Ford also reported she had sent a no zoning letter on 8/26/09 to Mr. John Steib and Ms. Lynn Overy. She also sent information on all building permits from March 2009 to the present to the Os. Co. Dept of Community Development as requested. **Motion made by Councilor Sheeley seconded by Councilor Barker 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.** Supervisor Stowell then gave her the following to file: A) M & T reports, B) Certificate of Liability Insurance for the Os. Co. ATV Club. She would post information from the NYS Dept. of Public Service on "National Lifeline Telephone Discount Awareness Week" (9/14/09 - 9/20/09).

10) Supervisor: For the month of August 2009, Supervisor Stowell read the following:

<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>
General Money Market = \$3,108.25	General Money Market = \$50,306.18
Hwy Money Market = \$172.01	Hwy Money Market = \$18,358.15
<u>Total Monies</u>	
General Money Market = \$238,876.41	Hwy Money Market = \$301,207.12
General Checking Account = \$691.42	Hwy Checking Account = \$1,131.66
General 6 month CD = \$200,000.00	Hwy 6 month CD = \$100,000.00
Trust & Agency Checking Account = \$4,103.05	
<u>Grand total = \$846,009.66</u>	

**Motion made by Councilor Sheeley seconded by Councilor Barker 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.** Fund balances and revenue reports were given.

**Audit Bills:** General; abstract # 9, bills # 127 - # 135 = \$23,075.06. **Motion made by Councilor Barker seconded by Councilor Sheeley to accept and pay all general bills for September 2009. Motion carried. Adopted (5-0) Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Sheeley: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Councilor Anson Jr.: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye.**

Hwy; abstract # 9, bills # 194 - #206 = \$40,918.22. **Motion made by Councilor Eldred seconded by Councilor Anson Jr. to accept and pay all hwy bills for September 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:** Supervisor Stowell stated the company who did the municipal building's siding would replace the old siding with the new kind they are selling now, and it would be in the original color.

**Old Business:** 1) Subdivision regulations would be tabled until after the 2010 budget is completed. There is still a moratorium on any subdivisions.

2) Councilor Sheeley stated she has completed the NIMS compliance survey.

**New Business:** 1) 2010 budget forms need to be returned ASAP.

2) National Grid has sent a letter to see if the town would be interested again in obtaining new trees.

3) Mandatory Training for Planning & Town Boards on Subdivisions would be 10/05/09 at the Castaway's Restaurant in the Town of Hastings from 5:30pm – 9pm.

4) Payment of Hwy barn: **Motion made by Councilor Anson Jr. seconded by Councilor Eldred to give Supervisor Stowell the approval to make the payment on the Hwy barn. Motion carried. Adopted (5-0) Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Sheeley: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Councilor Anson Jr.: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye.**

5) BAN payment: **Motion made by Councilor Anson Jr. seconded by Councilor Sheeley to give Supervisor Stowell the approval to make the BAN payment on the Hwy truck. Motion carried. Adopted (5-0) Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Sheeley: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Councilor Anson Jr.: Supervisor Stowell: aye.**

**Supervisor's Correspondences:** The following were given to the board to review:

- Tug Hill Times
- Government Solutions
- The Spotlight, Os. Co. BOCES
- Better Roads
- Tug Hill Tomorrow Land Trust Annual Report

**Adjournment: Motion made by Councilor Sheeley seconded by Councilor Barker 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 8:33pm.

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September 2009

Respectfully submitted,  
Amy J. Ford  
Albion Town Clerk