Town of Albion Monthly Board Meeting January 7, 2014

Present:

D. Aaron Walter: Supervisor Thomas Reff: Councilman Brad Hilton: Councilman Randy Mattison: Councilman Lonny Mattison: Councilman Amy Ford: Town Clerk

Supervisor Walter called the meeting opened at 6:40pm.

The December monthly meeting minutes were kept as written since only Councilman Reff and Councilman Hilton were the only board members from the previous board present.

Reports:

- 1) County Legislator: Mr. Potter briefly went over the County's Appointment Resolution's, that were passed at their Organizational Meeting on January 2, 2014. The following are the only changes, the rest of appointments are the same. County Attorney: Mr. Richard C. Mitchell, County Administrator: Philip R. Church, Aging Services Administrator: Sara Sunday, Director of Youth Bureau: Brian Chetney.
- 2) Supt. of Highways: Mr. Cronk reported that he is waiting for quotes to the overhead door at the town barn. Supervisor Walter went over a quote for the door he received. Mr. Cronk stated the door is holding for now, but he does have a tarp if needed. He also stated that he has had a problem with a gas pump at the Nice & Easy store in Pulaski. Mr. Cronk has talked with Byrne Dairy's manager to get the town's gas from them. Supervisor Walter will start the paperwork for Byrne Dairy. The Nice & Easy's gas card will stay active for now. Mr. Cronk stated the County still owes the town salt. Also Mr. Cronk has been coordinating with Mr. Bob Allen to remove the snow from the municipal building ground's more effectively. Mr. Cronk has submitted to the board his 2014 2yr Plan and his 2014 Inventory List.
- 3) Mr. Cronk reported there is a new Ag. & Markets representative and she would like the town's to have a heated kennel for certain dog breeds. Mr. Cronk stated he has the area already set up if needed. He is also working with the "PAWS" Program, they mainly work to find homes for the dogs, not euthanization. Mrs. Ford would create a folder for this.
- 4) Assessor: Mr. Maxwell was not present, no report was given.
- 5) CEO/BI: Mr. Mowers submitted his report for December 2013 & also his 2013 Annual DOS Report. He stated that he took in \$1,611.00 for inspections and around \$15,000.00 for building permits.
- 6) Town Justice: Judge Allen gave his report and check to Supervisor Walter. The board will audit the Judicial Books in February 2014.
- 7) Fire Dept.: Chief Holcomb gave his report to Supervisor Walter who stated that total calls for December 2013 was 278 calls. The December 2013 Financial Review for the Fire Dept. was also read. Chief Holcomb also stated that one of the entrance doors need to be replaced. Supervisor Walter stated he might have a door for the fire dept.
- 8) NOCA: Mr. Dealing was unable to attend the meeting.
- 9) Tug Hill Commission: Mr. Baxter reported there would be a workshop for board members in Watertown on March 27th. He then explained the Tug Hill Commission and the members. He stated the Commission moves their meetings throughout the County. The next meeting would be at the West Monroe Fire Dept.at 10:00 am. Following that would be a seminar called "Snow" discussing Lake Effect Snow at noon.
- 10) Town Clerk: Mrs. Ford stated she had no monthly report for December 2013 to submit. She needs more time to figure out the two computers and what they have on them. She also stated that there is problem with the clerk's checking account. It seems there is an overage of \$27.50 that isn't accounted for. The tax

- collector's accounts have a previous clerk's name on them and she cannot and will not use the checks or deposit slips because of it. She will be meeting with the bank manager to clear up the problems.
- 11) Supervisor: Supervisor Walter stated that he has had problems as well. The previous Supervisor had deleted a lot of info. He then read the incomplete report as follows: Receipts for General Money Market: \$1,713.50, Disbursements for General Money Market: \$1,527.02, for Highway Money Market: \$5,650.99

Pay Bills: General Bills, #1 - #18 = \$62,015.49 Motion made by Councilman Hilton seconded by Councilman Reff to accept and pay all General Bills for January 2014. Motion carried. Adopted. Supervisor Walter – aye, Councilman Reff – aye, Councilman Hilton – aye, Councilman R. Mattison – aye, Councilman L. Mattison – aye. Highway Bills, #1 - #14 = \$15,022.17 Motion made by Councilman R. Mattison seconded by Councilman Hilton to accept and pay all Highway Bills for January 2014. Motion carried. Adopted. Supervisor Walter – aye, Councilman Reff – aye, Councilman Hilton – aye, Councilman R. Mattison – aye, Councilman L. Mattison – aye.

Old Business: Supervisor Walter stated that any old business would be tabled until next meeting.

New Business: A) Bonding of the Town officials that collect money would be looked into by Supervisor Walter. B) Street Lights: Small discussion was made regarding lights not working and who to call. Mr. Cronk stated he would look into getting a name of someone.

- C) Trash pickup: Councilman Reff stated that he has taken care of the trash that has been piled up in the building. Supervisor Walter stated he would take care of the garbage from now on.
- D) Councilman R. Mattison asked about an equipment renewal plan that replaces trucks sooner. He also asked about key's to the building. Mrs. Ford would issue them after the meeting.

Questions from the Audience: 1) Mr. Rich Mullin asked if the 2010 snowplow had received any damage from going off the road? Mr. Cronk stated no it did not.

- 2) Chief Holcomb asked if the board could look into a more equally distribution of payment from those residents that live in the lighting district? Supervisor Walter stated he would look into it.
- 3) Mr. William Sheeley asked if the highway workers would be educated enough to adapt to the newer trucks being built in today's technical world? Mr. Cronk stated that he would never buy a new truck if a training session for the men didn't go along with it.

Supervisor Walter stated that the next monthly meeting would be on February 11th at 6:30pm.

Motion by Councilman Hilton seconded by Councilman Reff to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Adopted. Supervisor Walter – aye, Councilman Reff – aye, Councilman Hilton – aye, Councilman R. Mattison – aye, Councilman L. Mattison – aye.

Supervisor Walter called the meeting to a close at 7:24pm.

Respectfully submitted, Amy J. Ford Albion Town Clerk