AAMB Town of Albion Regular Meeting January 10, 2006

Present: Supervisor: Frederick Stowell

Councilor: Jack Barker Councilor: Lillian Stowell

Councilor Eldred

Recording Secretary: Amy J. Ford, Town Clerk

Absent: Councilor: Nancy Sheeley

Supervisor Stowell called the meeting to order at 6:34pm, followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Supervisor Stowell then asked for a moment of silence for the remembrance of Mr. John Loura, former Councilman, and a dear friend. A chair was reserved in his memory.

Minutes of 12/13/05: Supervisor Stowell stated that resolution # 24 needed correcting; he pointed them out to Mrs. Ford, who would make the corrections before putting the minutes into the book. Motion made by Councilor Barker seconded by Councilor Eldred to accept the minutes with corrections made. Motion carried. Adopted (4-0) Councilor Stowell: aye, Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye.

<u>Reports:</u> 1) Os. Co. Legislator: Mr. Milfred Potter went over paperwork he received from Senator Clinton at a meeting he attended. He would have more information for the next meeting.

2) Vern Mowers, CEO: Mr. Mowers was absent, but Mrs. Ford handed out his report from 12/01/05 through 01/05/06. Mr. Harold Mills and Mr. Fred Rains were present to ask the board of they could put an older Mobile home without a HUD sticker on Mr. Rains' property. Mr. Mowers had in his report that the Town Law states it cannot. Supervisor Stowell stated that he would look into it.

<u>Village of Altmar:</u> The Village Board was present: 1) Supervisor Stowell read a letter from Mayor Mike Trumble regarding permission for the Village to add on to the building on the Fire Dept's end. The addition would extend the building forward to meet the retaining wall and it would be the length of the fire dept. This would house bathrooms/showers, a locker room, and a utility room for a washing machine. Supervisor Stowell then asked Mayor Trumble for a break down that would help explain the increase of \$9,000 in the Fire Contract. Mayor Trumble stated that he left it home. Supervisor Stowell then invited the Village Board to the Public Hearing the Town would have on the Fire Contract. The date and time were yet to be set later in the meeting. There was a heated discussion between the two boards, and the Village board left.

Reports continued: 3) Howard Allen, Town Justice: Supervisor Stowell read Judge Allen's report he submitted for December 2005.

- 4) Fire Dept.: Fire Chief Holcomb submitted his annual fire calls for 2005. Total calls were 225, 54 being in the village, 155 being in the town, 16 being mutual-aid calls.
- 5) Charles Sperling, Hwy Supt.: Mr. Sperling reported the following: A) the new Blazer has been inspected, and new tires have been put on. B) A culvert pipe would have to be installed on Barber Road by Mr. Bob Allen's home this coming spring. C) He has obtained 100 tons of salt from the State bid, which will be good enough until the County has theirs built back up. D) The five-year plan has been submitted. E) He has been obtaining quotes for a new boiler, would have them by next meeting.
- 6) Pre-K: Mrs. Amanda Waite, Aide would be out on maternity leave as of April 14th for 6-weeks.
- 7) Paul Baxter, Tug Hill Commission: Mr. Baxter thanked the board for allowing the use of the meeting room for the Salmon River Council of Local Governments, their next meeting would be on Monday, April 10th from 7-9pm.
- 8) Amy J. Ford: Town Clerk: Total disbursed for December 2005 was \$371.50. The town received a check for 237.36 (\$177.36 for general fund & \$60.00 for part town fund), Os. Co. Treasurer received \$22.32, NY State DEC received \$80.32, NY State Dept of Ag & Markets received \$9.00, and NY State Dept of Health

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received \$22.50. Mrs. Ford submitted her phone log and her petty cash is at \$25.00. Mrs. Ford also submitted her annual report for 2005. Supervisor Stowell gave Mrs. Ford a NYMIR Handbook on Cold Weather Property & Liability to file. Motion made by Councilor Stowell seconded by Councilor Barker to accept the report as read. Motion carried. Adopted (4-0) Councilor Stowell: aye, Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye.

Mr. Steve Cronk, President of the Os. Co. ATV Club asked the Board of the Club could hold a safety class on ATV's this spring at the Municipal Building, and the Municipal Building parking lot. He would let the board know when the club decided the date and time.

<u>Reports continued:</u> 9) Frederick Stowell, Supervisor: Motion made by Councilor Barker seconded by Councilor Stowell to accept the report as read by Supervisor Stowell for December 2005. Motion carried. Adopted (4-0) Councilor Stowell: aye, Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye. Fund balance sheets and revenue reports were also handed out.

New Business: 1) Os. Co. Treasurer sent out a report on tax rates for the whole county. Albion's tax rate is .31cent per thousand. 2) NYMIR claims report for 2005 end of the year states that the Babcock's claim is still open. 3) Local Government Conference is at the end of March up in Watertown, NY.

<u>Audit bills:</u> General Bills, abstract # 1: bills # 1 – 25 = \$5,765.82. **Motion made by Councilor Barker** seconded by Councilor Stowell to accept and pay all general bills for January 2006. Motion carried. Adopted (4-0) Councilor Stowell; aye, Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye.

Hwy bills, abstract # 1: bills # 1- 29 = \$16,179.13. Motion made by Councilor Stowell seconded by Councilor Eldred to accept and pay all hwy bills for January 2006. Motion carried. Adopted (4-0) councilor Stowell: aye, Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye.

<u>Old Business:</u> 1) Sale of the old hwy barn: Board decided to leave the barn alone until spring. Councilor Eldred asked Mr. Sperling what he would like done to the barn, Mr. Sperling stated he would like to keep it 2.

- 2) NOCA Contract: A signed copy is yet to come back from NOCA.
- 3) Asset Inventory: Every dept. head received a diskette, which needs to be updated by next meeting.
- 4) Teamsters Contract: Was corrected, and 4 copies have been sent to Mr. Dennis Robinson, he would send two originals back after he signs them.

<u>Supervisors Correspondences:</u> The following were given to the board for review:

- ➤ Tug Hill Times
- Quality Communities
- Pulaski Eastern Shores Chamber of Commerce Newsletter
- ➤ Grant Action News
- Preservationist Magazine
- ➤ Arts and Culture for Oswego County
- Outlook
- > Mega

<u>Adjournment:</u> Motion made by Councilor Barker seconded by Councilor Stowell to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Adopted (4-0) Councilor Stowell: aye, Councilor Barker: aye, Councilor Eldred: aye, Supervisor Stowell: aye.

Supervisor Stowell called the meeting to a close at 9:16pm. Dated this 10th day of January 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy J. Ford, Town Clerk