

Minutes for February 24th 2016

Town of Amboy Planning Board

Amboy Town Hall
State Route 69, Amboy, NY

I. Meeting called to order at 7:07pm, Quorum Present

Members Present: Tim Kelley, Alix Krueger, Bruce Walters, Myrna Stone, Tom Vona.

II. Review & Approved January 2016 Minutes:

Bruce made a motion to accept with the January minutes, Myrna seconded, all in favor.

III. New Business:

1. Tim discussed key points brought up at the last Town Board meeting. Tom Vona has been appointed to the ZBA; Cynthia Stanton has been appointed to the ZBA for a one year term; and Myrna Stone has been appointed as an alternate member of the ZBA and Planning Board. It is likely that Jim Lemm will be appointed to the ZBA at the next Town Board meeting. Also, Tim Kelley offered to sit on the Board of Assessment Review if needed. The Planning Board is still looking for one member.
2. The board discussed a variety of topics related to economic development in the Town. Bruce brought up an example of a successful small business in town which employs many residents, that wanted to expand but decided not to when they discovered how much their taxes would increase. Tom suggested that the board find out about what local incentives are available for businesses and then invite local businesses to a meeting to discuss opportunities. Oswego County's Industrial Development Corporation should have helpful information. Again, the emphasis for a town like Amboy is to attract and encourage small businesses because their impact on the environment tends to be lower. The board was reminded of the new race track project in Brewerton and how Amboy is in a position to "cash in" on things like the need for more places to stay and localized access to recreation trails. There may also be some grant opportunities available to develop future projects.
3. As Town Historian, Tim Kelley, prepared a "Brief History of the Town of Amboy" and gave copy's to the Town Board and also planning board members who wanted one. He will email the document along with the photos to Alix in case some of it can be used in the Comprehensive Plan update.

IV. Old Business:

1. Alix will try to pull together a draft of the Comprehensive Plan update and email it to members prior to the next board meeting.
2. The 2016 Local Government Conference is Thursday March 31st.

V. Adjournment.

Bruce made a motion to adjourn the meeting, meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 30th 2015, 7pm

Note: These minutes stand as a report to the Amboy Town Board and are submitted to the Town Clerk as a permanent record of the Planning Board meeting.