

**Amo Town Board
Meeting Minutes
April 7, 2022**

Town of Amo held a public hearing to discuss and approve additional appropriations for the American Rescue Plan Fund. The meeting was called to order with 3 Council Members, Marshal, Communication Director, Attorney, Custodian, Clerk and 15 Citizens present. Meeting started at 7:06 p.m. Resolution #2022-01 is to increase the Supplies Appropriation #22 from \$7,000 to \$12,000 and Contractual Services Appropriation #31 from \$15,000 to \$36,000. There was a discussion on why the additional appropriations are needed. Mr. Richey had concerns about adding more appropriations than what is needed for the purchase of the geothermal unit. Council and Clerk explained that when the budget was set, we did not know the exact amount to appropriate for. By adding the additional appropriations now, the funds are available to use this year. Clerk read Appropriation #2022-01 to Council, Council approved and signed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Town of Amo held its regular monthly meeting with 3 Council Members, Marshal, Communication Director, Attorney, Custodian, Clerk and 15 Citizens present. Meeting started at 7:21 p.m. Minutes of the March 16th meeting were read. Corrections were made, vote taken to approve minutes with corrections, Donna yea, Rene yea, and Ron yea, minutes approved and signed.

Southside Drainage Project Closeout letter and supporting documents were sent to INDOT.

7:37- Jason Richey: Jason presented a quote to the Council to cover the cost of extending Main Street that was prepared by Cartwright Excavating. The quote was for \$17,000 to cover an area 140' x 40'. It was discussed that the area is only 20' x 40'. David Gaston, Hendricks County Surveyor was present at the meeting to try and answer questions concerning this matter. The town attorney will need to review these issues. There are certain guidelines and approvals that have to be followed that is set forth by the county. Council state that this project has not been budgeted for this year and will be revisited next year.

Jason then moved to a discussion of the stormwater drainage located along the south edge of his property which is the old Interurban track. Drainage has not been maintained over the years. Jason stated that there is stale water overflowing into his field which is a breeding grounds for mosquitoes. He presented a quote from Cartwright Excavating for cleaning out this drainage ditch. Mr. Gaston agrees that the water does not flow properly to Mill Creek. The area needs to be regraded, so the water flows all the time not just when there is a major rain. Ron agreed with what Mr. Gaston was saying. Mr. Gaston suggested that the Council approach the Hendricks County Drainage Board and discuss "Removal of Obstruction" options.

The Council wants to look into the paperwork for the Removal of Obstruction, Mr. Gaston said to go to the Hendricks County Surveyors Website.

Doug Wallace: Comment Sheet asking what alley ways are closed and what alley ways the town owns? Council said to look on Beacon to see what alley ways are closed. If you cannot find on Beacon, then you could check with the County. The Records Office can look into the Town of Amo to see what has been recorded. Doug wants to know who is going to mow the ally way at the end of Main Street. If the town is going to allow people to use this area Cheri and I are not going to be able to mow. The ruts will be too hard to mow. The Council will take care of that property.

Attorney: No report.

Marshal: No major incidents to report. Some unlocked vehicles around town have been broken into for loose change. Ordinance violation paid. Chris gave clerk check for \$1.00 for fine and \$5.00 for report. The 2010 dodge sold for \$4,700.00. The parking on Pearl Street was looked into. There is an ordinance for the parking, council will need to look at. Chris is not sure there is enough space for larger vehicles to pass through with angle parking.

Town Clean Up Day is May 14th from 9-4. Amo Pizza will donate pizza to all helpers.

Fire Chief: The picnic tables at the shelter house need replaced. Also, in need of some new flags. Council will look into cost of tables. Clerk will get a count on how many flags are needed.

Handyman: Matt resigned as the handyman. The Council is looking for a replacement. Becky will add an outline of the job description and how to apply in the upcoming Newsletter.

Custodian: Kelsey turned in 15 hours for cleaning and 11.75 hours for scheduling, totaling 26.75 hours for March 1st through March 31st. She gave clerk \$750.00 for March payment of Community Building rentals.

Communication Director: Becky turned in 5 hours for Newsletter, 1 hour for Facebook and 1.5 hours for misc., totaling 7.5 hours for March 1st through March 31st. She is working to fixing the double accounts on Facebook. In staying within the 10 pages for the Newsletter she would like to keep the special events to a half page.

Reading Room Clerk: Lisa turned in 32 hours for March 1st through March 31st. She also turned in expenses of \$46.50 for Easter Flowers.

Old Business:

Ron called Rowe Paving to get a quote for repair of potholes through out town. There are 2 major areas that need to be cut out and replaced, 1) County Road 425 2) County Road 500, and several individual holes. The quote is for \$28,500.00. A vote was taken to approve this work as quoted, Donna yea, Rene yea, and Ron yea.

Donna received a quote from Brian Miller to do the tuck point work on the Post Office brick. The quote is for \$3,500.00. A vote was taken to accept the quote, Donna yea, Rene yea, and Ron yea.

Ron has spoken to TDS about the right of way plan. No work happening now just a survey at this time.

Mowery remaining balance for the geothermal unit is \$3,371.65.

Donna added Dustin Strahl to the five-year Capital Improvement Plan Committee. He represents the Public Safety interest for the community. The twenty-year plan is being passed around to the committee members to read and study. A possible meeting time will be April 29th or May 5th.

New Business:

No Bank Statement.

Plans for the bench at the Amo Cemetery are: 1) three-sided bench at \$2,253.09, 2) 5-foot bench at \$999.78, 3) 4-foot bench at \$660.29. Council discussed the three options. A vote was taken to have Greg Burch make option one, Donna yea, Rene yea, and Ron yea.

Election May 3rd, they will be using the Community Building.

Next meeting is May 5th.

Bills signed.

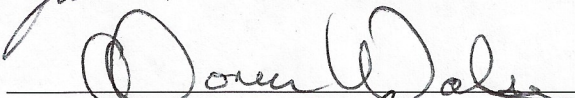
Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

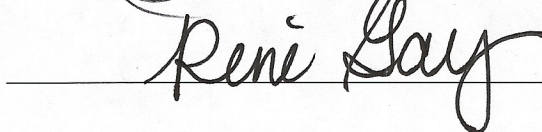
Respectfully submitted,

Barb Strahl, Clerk/Treasurer

_____ Date

 _____ James Travelsted

 _____ Donna Watson

 _____ Rene Gay