

**Amo Town Board
Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2024**

Town of Amo held its regular monthly meeting with 3 Council Members, Marshall, Communication Director, Clerk, Janet Beam, with The Republican Newspaper, and 5 Citizens present. The meeting started at 7:00p.m.

The first order of business for the new year (2024) is to select the officers of the Town Council. Rene Gay motioned to have Donna Watson be the President, Mark Wicks second. Approved. Rene Gay motioned to have Mark Wicks as the President Pro Tem, Donna Watson second. Approved.

Minutes of the December 7th meeting was read, by Donna. The first sentence on page 3 was removed. Rene motioned to accept the minutes with changes, Mark second, minutes approved and signed.

Attorney Report: No report.

Marshal Report: Chris welcomed Mark Wicks as a new Council Member. Chris reported that he has been watching for the "loud car" that had been reported. Will keep on top of it. The new radar has been received. Local violation has been paid. All officers have met the required training for the year. Chris received a bill from Hall Sign for \$58.46, bill still owed, he will look into.

Fire Chief Report: No report.

Custodian/Scheduler Report: Kelsey had 13½ hours for custodian and 14½ hours for scheduling. She turned in \$350.00 for Community Building rentals. A donation of \$588.00 was received from Amo Jam.

Reading Room Clerk Report: Kelsey thanked everyone for the Christmas Party. Kelsey had 27 hours. She had expenses of \$38.45 for party supplies.

Handyman Report: Greg turned in 5½ hours.

Communication Director Report. Becky had 2½ hours for Facebook posting and typing minutes for meeting.

Old Business:

Interurban Windows: Dave Keiser will be getting with his guy about the windows in the spring.

Need to get the Broadband Resolution from Attorney Matt.

Park Plan: Rene is working on. Donna spoke to Hendricks County Parks to let them know of our plans. She gave Rene some information from them. Also, Robert Woods has an Environmental Education Fund that does grants for parks in Hendricks County, she gave Rene that information.

Town Ordinances: Donna and Chris are still working on this.

Hendricks County Siren: Need to get an update from Dustin.

The new flags have been ordered.

Museum Committee: No report at this time. Donations have been turned into Becky.

Donna and Doug Wallace are working on the Post Office door.

Smell at the Interurban: Mark checked into this and not sure what it is. He suggested that the ceiling fans stay on. The smell could just be from the age of the building. There was a discussion on whether the drains need cleaned out.

Drain by the Baptist Church still not done. There was a discussion and Rene will look into it.

Donna attended the December 13th Hendricks County Comprehensive Plan meeting. They talked about the wind farms and a road similar to Ronald Reagin Road coming to this side of the county.

Donna asked Brian Miller to look at the Community Building outside repairs and give the Council an estimate. He will also look at what the cost would be to install the back splash in the kitchen and move the toilet paper holder in the ladies room.

Rene will look into the holes at the Interurban that need to be sealed.

The Duke LED Program has been approved. Rene will look into it.

New Business:

Donna let Greg know that there is a light out, on the outside of the Interurban, that needs changed.

Pavement Asset Management Plan is complete.

Need to work on getting computers for the Interurban. Pastor Shelly said the church would like to donate computers to the Reading Room. She is working on getting the hard drives cleaned.

Mural for the downtown area, will look into different grants. Discussed getting the community involved in what it should look like.

An ADA Transition Plan was discussed. Dave Keiser will do for \$3,000.00 The plan is for sidewalks and right aways. Rene motioned to have Dave do, Mark second. Approved.

Donna thanked the Republican Newspaper and The Hendricks County Foundation because they stated we have the highest of achievements ^{they stated} because we have the trust of our peers to represent them and have their best interest in mind. They have given the officials a subscription to the Republican Newspaper. *for a letter of four support on our election*

The town had received a "thank you" ^{from} form the Mill Creek Backpack Ministry. Carla Trowbridge thanked the Council for the Backpack Ministry support. She would like to get permission to add a child, to the nineteen kids from West, to spend the money she received from the town on. Rene motioned to allow, Mark second. Carla would also like to know if the Council could give a donation to the Cascade Post Prom. Rene motioned to donate \$200, Mark second.

Darrell Mynatt would like to know if outside outlets could be installed at the Interurban to plug Holiday lights ^{in to} into. The council discussed; Barb will get with KASE Electric for an estimate.

TDS Telecom installation at the Interurban outside work is done. Will do inside on Friday (1/12). The Community Building will be done on Friday as well.

Town Council Meeting schedule, for the 2024-year, set.

Donna spoke with Terminix to have them call ^{Kelsey} Kelsey, the night before they plan on spraying, to make sure someone is available to unlock.

Donna is going to get more information on the lock box, that Kelsey would like for the rent payments.

Compassion Box was discussed. The council wanted the church to take over the box. Pastor Shelly declined on behalf of the church. Pastor Shelly will take over the Compassion Box personally.

Donna would like the Comment Form to be used in the manner it was intended. It is for concerned citizens that have an issue that they need the Council to address. She would like the "sign in sheet" to reflect if a citizen would like to speak for 3 minutes at the meeting, plus a ^{space} location to state a designated topic.

Some other changes for the 2024-year: Minutes will be turned in to the Council following the meeting so they can read them ahead of the next meeting for approval and copies will be made for the meeting as handouts. There will no longer be a need to read the minutes at the beginning of the next meeting. Barb will have reports for Handyman, Custodian/Schedule, and Communication Director at the meetings.

Donna will be in charge of Personnel & Grants.
Rene will be in charge of Buildings.
Mark will be in charge of Roads & Streets.

Bank statements were signed.

Bills signed.

Next meeting is February 1st

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Strahl, Clerk/Treasurer

2-1-24 Date

Donna Watson

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Mark Wicks

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Rene Gay

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