

**Amo Town Board
Meeting Minutes
July 10, 2025**

Town of Amo held its regular monthly meeting with 2 Council Members, Communication Director, Clerk, and 3 Citizens present. The meeting started at 7:05 p.m.

The meeting began with:

I'm Donna Watson, Council President, Mark Wicks Council Member, and Rene Gay Council Member not here and Barb Strahl Clerk/Treasurer.

Indiana House Bill 1167 went into effect July 1, 2025, it mandates that state & local bodies must live stream their meetings. So, we are doing this to be in compliance.

We will not change our format as we have always welcomed our citizens to speak. We may limit the conversation, but we as a board always wanted you to come to our meetings. This is where we conduct our business. Each month you may go to YouTube.com and search "Town of Amo" to be connected.

The minutes of the June meeting were sent to the council members for review and corrections. Those minutes were available to you when you signed in tonight.

After reviewing the minutes, are there any additions or corrections? There were no additions or corrections. Donna motioned to accept the minutes as reviewed, Mark second. Minutes approved and signed.

The report on the employees' work hours, and Community Building rental payments, was available with the minutes.

July is the budget meeting for next year, and that will be our last order of business tonight.

Old Business:

Attorney report: No report.

Park Board update provided by Brian Williams: We didn't have a meeting this month, just some items from last month. The park sign was up for the Fish Fry, not sure how it was damaged, during a storm or otherwise. The posts were bent beyond repair. Brian is asking for approval to purchase two 4x4 post and two base anchors. The cost should be around \$95.00. Donna motioned to approve up to \$100.00 for the purchase and Mark second. The next meeting is August 7th, at 6:00 p.m.

Museum Committee update provided by Becky Rhea: The museum is still receiving donations. There were two display cases donated. Next meeting is August 7th at 4:00 p.m. We do have plans to have the Interurban open on the day of the car show.

Community Crossing Matching Grant update provided by Donna Watson: It is moving right along. Donna stated that John said that next Wednesday, if the weather holds up, the project will start. This should only take one day. The citizens that the repaving will impact will receive notices letting them know when the work will take place.

Reach Alert update provided by Donna Watson: There have been 26 contacts signed up, with 54 texts, a call and 13 emails going out. Donna requested that the Reach information be included in the next newsletter. Donna feels very good about the response this has received. The last one to go out was for a reminder for the Town Council Meeting tonight. After everything that happened in Texas, Donna feels very good about the Reach program.

The mower lift that Greg requested was discussed. Barb will go ahead and purchase the lift at Harbor Freight.

Task Sheet update:

The ARA report will be moved to Barb.

The upgrade to the Police Radios was discussed. It was decided to do 5 upgrades this year and 1 next year.

Fire Department report: No report.

New Business:

Sign In Sheet was checked; one citizen to speak.

- 1) Mark Belford: Complaining about Comcast. This was discussed. They ran a line across his property to reach his neighbor's house. They did not stay within the "right of way". Mark Wicks stated that Comcast would do an inspection. Mark Wicks will do a follow up with Comcast. Becky Rhea stated that she and her neighbor also have experienced issues with the workers.

Becky Rhea was contacted by Rhonda Beck about a misspelled first name on one of the military banners. A new banner is being made, Rhonda wanted to make sure someone could change them out. Mark Belford said he could.

Police Report: Report was given by Dave Gunn. The Fish Fry was successful. There was one incident at the Fish Fry, other than that, no major incidents to report. Chris would like to thank all officers for their support at the Fish Fry. The radio upgrade was mentioned earlier tonight, 5 this year and 1 next year. The town purchased a reserve vehicle, from Brownsburg Police, 2015 Ford Explorer, 65,000 miles, equipped, cost was \$8,000.00, taken from the Police Car Fund. This vehicle has been placed into service. This is a great addition and provides a much safer all-wheel drive vehicle for the officers.

Next meeting is August 7th.

Bank Statement signed.

