

**Amo Town Board
Meeting Minutes
August 4, 2022**

Town of Amo held its regular monthly meeting with 3 Council Members, Marshal, Attorney, Communication Director, Handyman, Custodian, Clerk and 11 Citizens present. Meeting started at 7:00 p.m. Minutes of the July 14th meeting were read. Spelling changes were made and statement that the "Budget meeting was held after regular town meeting" was added. Donna motioned to accept the changes and added statement, Rene second, minutes approved and signed.

Attorney: No report.

Marshal: No major events for the month. Chris is still working on the signs and poles. Some poles and signs are a year out to order. He is looking into the cost of decorative poles for Pearl Street. They may not be cost efficient but still looking at different opinions. The "Welcome to Amo" sign, at the ball diamonds, also needs replaced. There was a discussion about where to place the "No Outlet" sign on Main Street. Once Chris gets the quote back on the signs, he will let the Council know.

Chris talked to American Legal about the updates to town ordinances, it has been over 10 years so different ordinances and laws have change and resolutions have been added over the years, so it is hard to estimate the cost because it is done on a page count. He did give a possible estimate of \$4,000 to \$5,000. This estimate is based on what needs to be update and added. The plan is to follow back up with Chris in October to see what our progress is. Chris will be working closely on the safety and legal aspect of the ordinances. He feels this is important to keep up on, and stay on top of, to get the updates completed. Chris with keep in contact, with the Council, with updates.

Two residents have requested renewal of their firearms permit, the Council reviewed them and approved. These permits are not intended to be a "free for all", this is for somebody to engage in, on their own property. We want to keep peace and tranquility and be mindful of others.

Chris took the 2008 Ford police car in for an oil change and had a tire patched, cost was \$76.54 at D & D. There is still more service needed on the car. The decals for the police truck came in and Chris applied them.

Fire Chief: No Report

Handyman: Greg turned in 37.5 hours for mowing, weeding, and spraying for July 1st through July 31st. He got paint and supplies for painting storm drains. He will do one to see how long it takes to finish and how they will look. A rear tire on the mower needs a tube, councils decided to leave for now.

Custodian: Kelsey turned in 11 hours for cleaning and 9.25 hours for scheduling, totaling 20.25 hours for July 1st through July 31st. She gave clerk \$225.00 for July payment of Community Building rentals.

Communication Director: Becky turned 14.5 hours for Newsletter and 1 hour for Facebook, totaling 15.5 hours for July 1st through July 31st.

Reading Room Clerk: Lisa turned in 26 hours for July 1st through July 31st. She had 9 attendees for Movie Night. Lisa also had \$10.00 in book sales.

Old Business:

Post Office Brick: Brian Miller has the brick and will start in the next two weeks. A citizen requested that the broken brick on the sidewalk be kept cleaned up, it is hard to walk on. Greg will work on this.

Community Building: Kase Electric ^{will} ~~with~~ be here on August 8th or 9th to look at the electrical outlets. Ron is still working on the back splash.

Clerk sent in paperwork, for the Indiana Landmark Grant, to be used on the windows at the Interurban.

Storm Drain on Pearl Street; Council has not decided what to do with them at this time.

Storm Drain Ditch Project: Brian Stephenson will start sometime in September or October. Donna had Brian look at the tile on the trail, he said it just needed filled in.

2023 Budget: The Fire Department is asking for a 10% increase on their contract, and that has been included. Clerk will have her one on one, to go over the budget, on August 17th. As of now it is looking good. Council wants to make sure we have included this cost for American Legal to update the town ordinances into the 2023 budget.

Dave Keiser is working on getting the Capital Improvement Plan done in August.

Clerk is still working on getting the 2019, 2020 and 2021 boot drive totals, to show the Fire Departments revenue loss, for the American Rescue Fund Money.

Concrete for the bench at the Amo Cemetery is complete, the cost was \$369.15, clerk will pay Cemetery Association.

New Business:

No bank statements to sign.

Picnic tables for the shelter house are still being tabled.

The Republican Newspaper is doing a "Meet Your Town" and would like to feature the Town of Amo. Becky has been in touch with them on arranging this.

The Council presented a thank you note to Mark Belford and Mike Brown for all the work they have done for the town and cemetery.

The town should be receiving an Opioid Settlement.

AIM Conference is November 1st through 3rd. Donna will be attending this conference.

Trees need to be trimmed at the Corner of Pearl and Main Street. Greg will trim.

Greg wants to know how to stop people from blowing grass on to the streets. Council has no answer.

Air Conditioner at the Community Building needs looked at, Ron will do.

Hole on ^{Pearl} Pearl Street needs more cold-patch, Greg will do.

The 9-11 Dinner will be on Sunday, September 11th from 5-8pm.

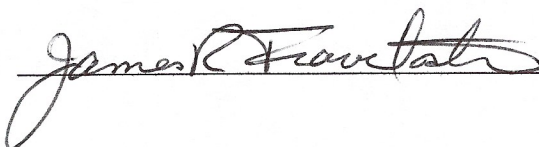
Next meeting September 1st.

Bills signed.

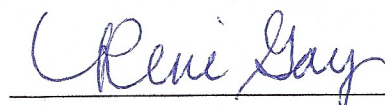
Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Strahl, Clerk/Treasurer

9-1-2022 Date


James Travelsted

Donna Watson


Rene Gay