Amo Town Board Meeting Minutes May 2, 2024

Town of Amo held its regular monthly meeting with 2 Council Members, Communication Director, Clerk, and 5 Citizens present. The meeting started at 7:00 p.m.

Under our new procedures the minutes of the April meeting were emailed to the council members for review and corrections. Those minutes were available when you signed in tonight.

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

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

Old Business:

The ADA Transition Plan: This is a plan that is needed to apply for grants. This plan goes over all roads, sidewalks, and buildings, and reports whether the town is compliant or not. Still working on.

Interurban Windows: Dave Kieser and the contractor will be out to look at this to provide an estimate.

Post Office Flagpole: Flagpole is up. Will need to purchase a new flag. The clerk will order a new flag through the American Legion.

Kase Electric gave council estimate for replacing existing floodlight with an LED motion light above service door, replace floodlight on flagpole with an LED light, add weatherproof outlet under front patio ceiling and weatherproof outlet by front door at Interurban, total estimate \$685.00. Donna motioned to approve work, Mark second.

The yellow protective bollards around the flagpole cost \$120.00, plus shipping \$26.63, totaling \$146.63. Council approved.

Culvert pipe on County Road 425 South on Fuehrer property is crushed. Donna has requested that the Town Attorney, Matt Burkert, write to the property owner asking them to repair said culvert.

Museum Committee update: Becky gave report, we are moving ahead with plans. They have several nice cabinets to display the items that have been donated. Ginger donated clay marbles. They are looking for a computer program to keep track of all the inventory. Hendricks County Bicentennial has a History Preservation category, that we applied for, and we were accepted, so we will be listed, and we can get advertising materials for that. Everyone is very excited to be moving forward. We are looking for Interurban, school, and local items to be donated. Donna thanked everyone for all their hard work.

Park Plan Committee update: Meeting was on Tuesday, April 30th and it went well. Went over mission statement and goals for the committee and the park. There will be another committee meeting next month. Also, there will be a public meeting on June 13th at 6:00 p.m., before the town board meeting. Donna has been keeping the Hendricks County Parks Department updated on what the committee has been doing.

American Rescue Act money balance is \$17,729.65. The only thing obligated to do is monthly TDS bills.

Town cleanup day is Saturday; Clerk will post at the Post Office. The town will purchase pizzas for the workers.

Donna would like to purchase red, white, and blue flowers for the town flowerpot, she already has black and white checkered flags to use, she is asking for approval to spend up to \$100, Mark approved.

Hendricks County Bicentennial, the town received notice today that the Bingo for the Amo Fish Fry will be published on their website.

At the last meeting, the Cascade Youth League was given more information about a reindeer for the Christmas parade, in December, from a citizen.

Mill Creek West Fifth Grade, Beatify Amo, is May 16th. Becky has approval to spend up to \$50.00 to get dirt or potting soil to donate.

Update Task List:

Mark will be meeting with Brady on Tuesday to look at County Road 425 South for repairs, and any other roads that might need repaired.

Chair rail is done at the Community Building.

Mark looked into the sidewalk curb on Vine Street. This matter was discussed. They decided it would be better to just fill it in with concrete. Mark will look into it.

Church Drain: still working on, Dave Kieser is looking into a grant. There was a discussion about the drain and about trying to get a Crossing Grant to help with Cost.

Attorney Report: No report.

Marshal Report: No report.

The curb at the flagpole at the Post Office needs painted yellow. The paint cost around \$32.00, Donna motioned to have Mark Belford paint it, Mark second. The clerk will purchase paint.

People who need to be recognized for their help with the new flagpole: David Hodson, Doug Wallace, Tim Baldwin and Dudley Wallace. Thank You All.

Fire Department Report: The Fish Fry is a month away. Hendricks County Emergency Management, Dustin is working with them right now, the siren will be relocated to north of the shelter house on the telephone pole. More to come later.

Cameras for the Post Office building was discussed. Mark and Barb are still working on it.

The Sign-In list was checked, and 3 requests to speak tonight.

Becky Rhea: Becky will follow up with Rhonda Beck on the Military Banners concerning when they are to be taken down and picked up. She will let Mark Belford know the date. There was a discussion about what we could put up in their place. Clerk will look into replacement banners 60x30 for the poles (park, horses, bikes, trails, trains, etc.).

Ginger Denker: Ginger would like to know if a flashing yellow school sign could be installed on the corner of North and Vine Street to slow traffic down there. There was a discussion and Donna will let Chris know of her concerns about the amount of traffic and also have him inform the resource office for the school.

Joe Starks: The streetlight by him was missed for the LED change. A guy on a golf cart wanted to know who owns the cemetery. Tell them there is a sign at the cemetery with contact information on it.

New Business:

On April 27th, Cheri Bray was cut on her arm by the window on the door at the Post Office. Mark and Donna went down and put tape on it, so it is not sharp now. Donna is working on it with Doug.

Donna will be talking to Dave Kieser because we are interested in the Community Crossing Grant, it's a matching grant program that she received information on from Jeff Thompson. She wants to touch base with Dave to make sure we are on track to be a part of this.

Newsletter has gone out. Rene is next to help Becky.

Mapand Tour Guide

Town of Amo Resource Guide & Map has been sent out for updates. Send updates to Becky. The banner area will be removed.

Hendricks County Park Programs: Vandalia Trail Bike ride starts on Tuesday, May 7th, and will be biweekly, the first, third and fifth Tuesdays. Our Summer Fun Run will be August 7th, 4:30-6:30.

The National Road Heritage Trail now has 72 miles of open trails, this is their 20th anniversary, it all started with an idea and a dream. Greg Midgley will have a booth at the Amo Fish Fry. Stop by his booth and thank him because without him we would not have that trail. Thanks, Greg.

Hendricks County Foundation online "Visit Hendricks County" will have a meeting May7th, 4:30-7 at Cascade Middle School.

AIM has a budgeting and clerk/treasurer meeting on May 9th 9:30-3:00.

2024 Salary Survey is done.

2024 Guide to Public Purchasing; Donna printed off.

2024 Statehouse report; Donna printed off.

Bank statement signed.

Bills signed.

Next meeting is June 13th.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Barb Strahl, Clerk/Treasurer

6-13-24 Date	
Dore Walser	_Donna Watson
Charl Grand	_Mark Wicks
	_Rene Gay