

**Amo Town Board  
Meeting Minutes  
February 5, 2026**

Town of Amo held its regular monthly meeting with 3 Council Members, Dave Gunn (for Marshall), Communication Director, Clerk, and 2 Citizens present. The meeting started at 7:00 p.m.

Hello, I'm Rene Gay Council President, Donna Watson Council Member, Mark Wicks Council Member and Barb Strahl Clerk/Treasurer.

Tonight, we will be opening the bids for the CCMG Project, Rene turned the procedure over to Dave Kieser, with Kieser Consulting Group. Dave stated that he received 9 bidders and will read them out loud as required by Indiana Law.

- 1) Ace Paving \$49,841.00
- 2) DC Construction Services, Inc. \$58,259.67
- 3) E & B Paving LLC \$35,055.20
- 4) Floyd Crim and Sons Inc \$38,612.25
- 5) All Star Paving Inc \$53,711.00
- 6) Calumet Civil Contractors Inc \$37,000.00
- 7) Baumgartner & Co \$34,082.00
- 8) Grady Brothers Inc \$40,200.00
- 9) Howard Companies \$29,934.50

The lowest bid was with Howard Companies for \$29,934.50, at this time Dave made a recommendation to the council to approve Howard Companies pending review from the engineers. Donna motioned to approve, Mark second. Dave thanked everyone for their time and will get back with the council after review.

The minutes of the January 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.

Old Business:

Museum Committee update provided by Becky Rhea: The museum committee met this afternoon. The framed picture of the Cascade Football team and newspaper articles was presented to Coach Conner Simmons. This gesture was because of his and members of the football team, assistance with moving the bookshelves around the Reading Room. Coach Simmons was surprised and very much appreciative of this gesture. Still receiving donations. They are planning to extend the hours they are open and will post questions on Facebook to see what hours people would prefer for the museum. Still have shirts for sale. Next meeting is March 5<sup>th</sup>. They are also going to pay off the town for the remaining amount owed for the purchase of the museum T-shirts. The money will come from the grant that the museum received, the amount is \$131.75 and \$1,053.25 from the sale of the shirts.

Park update provided by Becky Rhea: No meeting tonight.

Attorney report: No report.

Donna spoke with Dave Kieser about the Vine Street property and if there might be any grants available to help with it, Dave feels that there are some available, he will look into it.

New Business:

Community Building Flooring was discussed. Aaron with Garage Force will be at the March 5<sup>th</sup> meeting to go over the type of flooring they offer. The quote from them was \$22,260.00. There was also a quote from American Concrete for \$26,900.00. Rene has been working on this.

Barb would like approval to attend the ILMCT Training in Plainfield, on March 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>. Cost of this training is \$445.00. Donna motioned to approve, Mark second.

Donna would like approval to pay \$25.00 for ADA Membership. This was discussed, Mark motioned to approve, Donna second.

Police Report: Dave Gunn requested approval to pay \$84.09 to D & D Auto for an oil change on the 2021 Ram truck, Donna motioned to approve, Mark second. The Ford Crown Vic was discussed. They decided they might get \$2,000 to \$3,000 if they try to sell it or sell it to the Fire Department for a cheap price. It was also discussed to donate it to the Amo Fire Department with the understanding that they would not get an increase on their 2027 Fire Contract. Council approved to donate it to the Fire Department if they agree to terms. Clerk will contact them. Donna and Chris are still working on ordinances.

Marshal/Deputy Marshal Policy was discussed. Council asked Dave Gunn if he would accept the position as Deputy Marshal and he accepted. Donna motioned to approve, Mark second. Council approved policy, clerk will get Chris Nelson and Dave Gunn to sign.

An amended salary ordinance was discussed. Amended Salary Ordinance 2026-02 was signed. Resolution #2026-02 to transfer funds from Marshal Appropriation #13 amount of \$4,600.00 to the Deputy Marshal Appropriation #16 was approved and signed.

Court fee was received in the amount of \$51,580.50, for 2024 and 2025.

Task Sheet Update:

Mark was working on the "Duke Door Hangers". This is work Duke contracts out to trim around power lines. They have to have permission to be on your property. There is no cost to the property owners.

The Waste Management Corporate Service contract with the town is up on April 20<sup>th</sup>. Clerk will get letter to them by February 19<sup>th</sup> to cancel town service. This was discussed. Council would like to go with Dolls. Donna motioned to approve a two-yard dumpster, Mark second.

Sign In Sheet was checked, no one to speak.

Fire Department Report: They have one member taking an EMT class at Hendricks in Danville, they should be done with class in late spring.

In 2020 we applied for a recycle grant and two recycle bins were placed at the Community Building, Kelsey Freeman has been taking the recycling to Coatesville where it is a challenge to leave items, because it is usually so full. This was never her responsibility, yet she has done it. Becky is asking to remove the bins. This was discussed. Mark will take care of emptying the bins. It was discussed if the town could have recycle bins. Different options were discussed. It was questioned of the possibility of a recycling grant maybe available. Becky will look into it for the park.

The snow removal on the sidewalk at the Interurban was discussed. Kelsey would like a shovel and sidewalk salt for the Community Building and Interurban. Dave would like some salt for the police building also, Donna motioned to approve, Mark second. Barb will get.

Mark is working on the door at Post Office.

Post Prom was very appreciative of the donation.

Aim Conference update: Barb's Workshops she attended:

- 1) Utilizing AI for Intelligent Asset Management
- 2) Roundtable for towns under 1000
- 3) How to Fight Fire with territories, districts and Departments
- 4) SEA 1 for Communities with a population under 3500
- 5) Preparing for Web Content Accessibility Guidelines
- 6) Keeping Your Municipality's Employee Handbook in Compliance
- 7) Case Studies in workforce Strategy

Town clean up day was discussed. It will be May 16<sup>th</sup>. Clerk will check for dumpsters.

Next meeting is March 5<sup>th</sup>.

Bank Statements signed.

Bills signed.

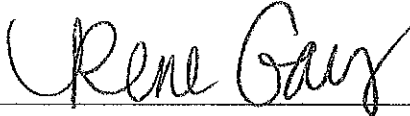
Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barb Strahl, Clerk/Treasurer

3-5-26 Date

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Donna Watson

 Mark Wicks

 Rene Gay