

**Amo Town Board  
Meeting Minutes  
March 6, 2025**

Town of Amo held its regular monthly meeting with 3 Council Members, Clerk, and 2 Citizens present. The meeting started at 7:00 p.m.

Under our new procedures the minutes of the February 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. Rene motioned to accept the minutes as reviewed, Mark second. Minutes approved and signed.

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

Old Business:

ADA Plan: Dave Kieser is still working on.

Park Planning Committee update by Brian Williams: Tonight's meeting was cancelled. The Park Board did get pricing for banners. There was a discussion about designing banners for the two empty poles. The banners would cost \$85.00 plus a set up fee of \$25.00 with our art work or if they do the logo design it starts at \$100.00. With us doing the logo the banners would be \$110.00 each. This is with D&E Printing Company. Mark motioned to have the Museum Committee and Park Board go forward with designing banners at these prices, Rene second. They do not have an updated Park Plan yet, Dan Lake said he would be at the next meeting. Next meeting is April 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

Museum Committee update provided by Donna Watson: The Committee would like approval to have Greg Burch rework a church pew. Mr. and Mrs. Ashley have donated a pew from the Methodist Church. The cost for Greg to take it from an 8 ft. pew to a 5 ft. pew, sand down, and varnish is \$475.00. Rene motioned to approve, Mark second. The storage unit for the Interurban was discussed. The size is 10x12x8, the cost is \$4,199.00. Rene motioned to approve the purchase, Mark second. The grant with the Indiana Historical Society, for \$5,000.00 was discussed, and still needs the IRS letter. Dave Kieser presented the committee with the floor plan for the museum. The next meeting is March 13<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

Comcast was discussed. Donna explains that the Rural Broadband Ready Project is "how and why" they came to Amo. These boxes will allow households to get high speed internet. TDS also wants to do the same.

Community Crossing Matching Grant update: The North Street Project. Starting at Pearl Street west on North Street to Vine Street and from Pearl Street east on North Street to the end. The estimate on the cost was discussed, project cost \$31,883.00, the town's 25% is \$7,970.75 and engineering \$3,800.00. The town was awarded the grant in the amount of \$23,912.24.

Barb will be attending the ILMCT Institute and Academy March 16<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> at the Embassy Suites in Plainfield.

Streaming Live Meetings: This was discussed. Several things to look for in a laptop. It will need Teams and Microsoft 365 programs loaded on it. Barb is taking a workshop at the ILMCT training and will get information.

Donna gave a brief summary of the workshops she attended at the AIM Conference.

- 1) U S Supreme Court targets municipal leaders.
- 2) Local Government & AI revolution.
- 3) What's going on? Reach alert, develop a communication plan
- 4) Small Communities Round Table Creating
- 5) Prioritizing Happiness
- 6) How to ensure your government is using the Web to engage its constituents
- 7) Code enforcement

Next AIM Conference is at French Lick October 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>.

Community Building men's restroom, moving toilet paper holder and painting north wall of main room, are done.

The town received a thank you note from the Hendricks County Bicentennial Legacy Project for sponsoring a tree that is to be placed at the W.S. Gibbs Memorial Park.

Any tasks list updates:

Barb gave the council a sample Snow Removal Contract to look over. This was discussed and will get back with clerk.

Rene got estimates for the bird problem at the Interurban.

- 1) Pestway: The first estimate was \$7,718.00. After Rene discussed this with the company, they gave a second estimate of \$6,743.43.

- 2) No Name: This estimate was discussed, it didn't sound good, estimate was for \$1,000.00.

Pestway noticed that some of the tile roof were loose and in need of repair before working on sealing the building. Maximin Roofing gave an estimate of \$1,000.00 to repair the tiles. Rene motioned to approve the tile be repaired, Mark second. Tabling the bird issue for now.

Fire Department Report: No report.

Marshal report: No Report.

Sign In List was checked, one citizen to speak.

- 1) Mark Belford: He wanted to let the council know there needs to be new flags purchased. The clerk will purchase two 8x10 flags and check to see if the Post Office needs one as well. Also, he wanted the council to look into helping a citizen cut a tree down. It is hanging over the street and is a hazard in high winds. This was discussed; Mark will call Chad McMahan.

Compassion Box Report: There was \$48.00 collected for Betty Noel, two steppingstones were purchased.

New Business:

On Tuesday Donna and Becky will be going to the Bartlet Church in Danville and speaking about the Interurban.

The door handle at the Interurban is fixed.

The Big Daddy Pest Solution was discussed. This is a new company that started up with a past employee of Terminix. He would do all three buildings for \$150.00 a month, now we pay \$232.00. There was a discussion about it being a new provider with very few references. Donna's suggestion was we wait a few months to see how he does. Kelsey stated that he was very good about calling ahead of being there. Rene was all for giving him a chance. Also was discussed that the council wanted to keep it local. Mark uses Ampro out of Plainfield. The clerk will get information from Mark and call them.

Mill Creek 319 Watershed Management Plan Grant was chosen to be funded for 2025-2027. This is to create a watershed management plan and complete water monitoring. The meeting will be April 24<sup>th</sup> or sometime in May.

There was a quote from Mowery for a motor inducer, flame sensor and repairing pipe flue, cost \$1,064.00, Rene will check on.

The All-Staff Recognition at Mill Creek Community School Corporation would like a donation. The council approved a \$100 donation.

The Annual Report is done and published.

Next meeting is April 10<sup>th</sup>.

Bank Statements signed.

Bills signed.


Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barb Strahl, Clerk/Treasurer

4-10-25 Date

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Mark Wicks

  
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Rene Gay