

**Amo Town Board  
Meeting Minutes  
October 3, 2024**

Town of Amo held its 2025 Budget Adoption meeting with 3 Council Members, Marshal, Attorney, Handyman, Communication Director, Clerk and 13 Citizens present. The meeting started at 7:02 p.m.

The 2025 Budget was discussed. There were no questions asked. The 2025 Budget was adopted, and Ordinance 2024-04 was signed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Town of Amo held its regular monthly meeting with 3 Council Members, Marshal, Attorney, Communication Director, Handyman, Clerk, and 13 Citizens present. The meeting started at 7:05 p.m.

Under our new procedures the minutes of the August 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:

Dave Keiser is working with a lawyer on the ordinance for regulating the streets and right away construction.

ADA Plan should be done at the end of October.

Park Planning Committee update by Brian Williams: The last meeting was before the town council meeting tonight. The first official Park Board Meeting will be November 6<sup>th</sup>. They will be working on their 5-year Capital Improvement Plan. There was a discussion on changes that needed to be made to Ordinance #2024-06. This is to create a Department of Parks and Recreation Board. There were changes discussed in Section II, Number 2 Additional members shall include: Up to 3 members nominated by the Parks and Recreation Board and approved by the Executive, need to be added. Rene motioned to approve the addition to the Ordinance, Mark second.

Museum Committee update provided by Becky: The shirts came in and the committee is very pleased with them. The museum was open during the car show. They had the T-shirts for sale. There were several visitors during the car show on the 21<sup>st</sup>. People were very impressed with what is done so far. Donations are still coming in.

Post Office Door: Donna is still working on. Mark will look into getting a new door.

Community Crossing Grant: Will apply for grant in January of 2025. Dave is working on updating 5-Year Pavement Asset Management Plan for 2025.

Comment form from Ed Smyth concerning the drainage in front of his house, Dave Keiser is looking into.

Christmas Parade update: Mark is still working on. There was a discussion on lights downtown. He will get a quote for lights. December 14<sup>th</sup> will be the Christmas Parade.

Community Building window repairs are done.

The Interurban sliding door is done.

Greg painted the doors and windows at the Interurban, this is done. We still need to put something up in the ceiling of the porch. to keep the birds out.

The Baptist Church car show was well attended. The museum committee sold \$300 in T-shirts and \$39 in books and misc. items.

Community Building kitchen sink leak was discussed. Rene will get with Cameron Plumbing.

Halloween Trick or Treating is 5-8 p.m., October 31<sup>st</sup>. The Community Building will be open to anyone who would like to set up a table and hand out their candy.

The Comprehensive Development Plan, 20-year Plan is on hold for now.

Becky has sent pictures and an article from the museum for the Hendricks County 200 Bicentennial Celebration.

The town will participate in the Military Banner Program for 2025-2026. The information will be in the next newsletter.

The town received an invitation to the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution for Marker Dedication of Twenty Revolutionary War Patriots Interred in Hendricks County on November 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:00.

Donna will attend the AIM Conference in Fort Wayne on October 8, 9, 10.

#### Update Task List

The door handle on the west door at the Interurban will have to be replaced. Rene is working on it.

Security cameras are ordered. The cost was \$2540.17. There was a discussion on who needs to install the cameras. Mark will get an estimate on professional installations.

A lockable cabinet for the Community Building was discussed. Mark motioned to have a cabinet purchased, spend up to \$220.00, Rene second. Clerk will get cabinet and lock.

Newsletter is done.

Resolution #2024-7, property purchased at 4962 Vine Street, on September 20<sup>th</sup> for the amount of \$50,000 was approved and signed.

Resolution #2024-8, property purchased at 4962 Vine Street, on September 20<sup>th</sup> the purchase will be paid for with a 60-month cash balance investment loan was approved and signed.

The Sign-In list was checked, four citizens to speak.

- 1) Mark Belford: no comment.
- 2) Pastor Shelly: She gave a heartfelt gratitude to the Amo Fire Department for closing streets, Amo police for maintaining order, and town council for your support. Also, respectfully request to be allowed to do the car show again next year. Rene motioned to approve the car show for next year, Mark second. The event will be on September 20, 2025.
- 3) Brandon and Mary Johnson: They wanted to know if the street by the Mitchell property will be closing. They explained that they were hearing rumors about the closing of this street. They park their camper at the back of their property that is off this street, without that street they could not get to their drive. Donna said it is something we won't be looking into for at least a year. We will be taking this into consideration.
- 4) Becky presented an estimate from Harper Home Services to relocate the toilet paper holder in the restrooms and repaint the walls around them, at the Community Building. The estimate is \$315.00. Rene motioned to approve, Mark second.

#### New Business:

Donna put the new cookware at the Community Building.



Community Building Rental Agreement is done.

Tox Away day is October 19<sup>th</sup> at Hummel Park, westside.

Public meetings starting July 1, 2025, will be live screenings. Donna will pick up information at the AIM conference.

ARA Fund: There was a discussion on the remaining funds. Still waiting for a second estimate on furnace and AC for Post Office.

Barb would like to attend the 2024 ILMCT Institute & Academy virtual training on October 22, 23, 24. The cost is \$150.00. Rene motion to have Barb take, Mark second.

Aim Roundtable at Speedway is October 29<sup>th</sup>, Donna would like to attend. Let the clerk know who is attending.

Hendricks County Comprehensive Plan is progressing nicely.

Streetlight out on Walnut Street and South Street has been reported.

After the storm, the tree on Pearl Street needed cleaning up. Artistic Touch Tree Service removed all debris, cost was \$600.00. The hole the tree left needs to be filled in. Mark will take care of.

Chris had a conversation with the principal of Mill Creek West about crossing guard for the school. There was a discussion.

Marshal Report: Car show is a nice community function. Congrats on doing well. The reserve police vehicle needs to be replaced. What he is looking at is around \$15,000. Rene motion to approve up to \$15,000, Mark second.

Attorney Report: no report.

Fire Department Report: no report.

Estimate to remove tree by Post Office is \$840.00. Rene motioned to approve, Mark second.

Discussion on the rock for the trail. Brian Williams suggested a sign for the Future Home of Amo Park. He will look into it.

Sarah Froderman with OCRA (Office of Community Rural Affair) attended our council meeting tonight. She let the Council know that she would be at the AIM Roundtable in Speedway on October 29<sup>th</sup>.

Next meeting is November 6<sup>th</sup>.

Bills signed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barb Strahl, Clerk/Treasurer

11-6-24 Date

Donna Watson Donna Watson

Mark Wicks Mark Wicks

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