

**Amo Town Board
Meeting Minutes
August 7, 2025**

Town of Amo held its regular monthly meeting with 3 Council Members, Attorney, Dave Gunn (for Marshall), Clerk, and 5 Citizens present. The meeting started at 7:00 p.m.

The minutes of the July 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. Rene 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.

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

Indiana House Bill 1167 went into effect in July that mandates that state and local bodies must live stream their meetings. So, we are doing this to be in compliance.

We will not change our format as we have always welcomed our citizens to speak. We may limit the conversation, but we as a board always wanted you to come to our meetings. This is where we conduct our business. Each month you may go to YouTube.com and search "Town of Amo" to be connected.

Old Business:

Attorney report: Chris had issued a local ordinance violation for speeding and Matt filed with the county.

Park Board update provided by Brian Williams: The park board is working on a grant for the park from Amo High School Alumni Association Education, a fund with the Hendricks County Community Foundation for \$3,700. Waiting to hear back on that. Board is still working on Park Plan. Brian is still working on repairing the park sign. Donna talked to a lady about the Fun Run and passed the information on to Park Board. The next meeting is September 4th at 6:00 p.m.

Museum Committee update provided by Donna Watson: The Museum Committee is working on a grant for the Museum from the Amo High School Alumni Association Education, a fund with the Hendricks County Community Foundation for \$2,500. This will be used to purchase permanent display cases and the supplies needed to preserve historical objects. The Museum will be opened for the car show from 12-4. Donna requested approval to purchase items for baskets, one to be donated to the church, one for Marshal to raffle off and two for the Reading Room (1 boy, 1 girl). Rene motioned to approve up to \$100, Mark second. Donna will take care of this. Next meeting is September 4th at 4:00 p.m.

Community Crossing Matching Grant update provided by Donna Watson: The grant has been completed. The closing grant paperwork was signed.

Reach Alert update provided by Donna Watson: There have been 37 contacts signed up, with 68 texts, 2 calls and 23 emails going out. Donna feels very good about the response this has received. The last one to go out was for a reminder for the Town Council Meeting tonight.

Hendricks County Focus Group update by Donna Watson: Donna will meet them next Tuesday. Planning things to do in Hendricks County. She wants to make sure Amo is included in these things. The Museum, Amo Park, painting a mural on Mark and Gina's building, cleanup trail head for horses are just a few things. Amo is the only town named Amo in the United States. She wants to have kids' projects for the Interurban.

Task Sheet update:

Mower lift was purchased, and Greg is using.

Aim Conference update: The rooms are supposed to become available August 20th.

Propane tank is done.

The ARA report, Barb is still working on.

Comcast Update: Mark Belford rode around with gentleman from Comcast to point out concerns and issues. He made a list to get them taken care of. Dena Travelsted stated that they have been having issues also. They decided to cancel their service.

Post around the propane tank at the Community Building was discussed. It was decided to have Greg paint them yellow; Barb will take care of this.

Fire Department report: Chief Dustin wants to thank everyone for their help at the Fish Fry.

Police Report: Dave Gunn gave report. No major incidents to report. There was one local ordinance violation for speeding. Marshal had 38 hours for the month; the reserve had 17 hours for the month. Donna had asked for information regarding the Indiana Opioids settlement fund and eligibility. State shows our total abatement share of \$1,982.26 and total unrestricted share of \$831.88. Barb will follow up on report. A Lexus Nexus check for \$5.00 was turned into clerk. Chris is asking to be reimbursed for \$15.00 for the reserve vehicle registration package. Council approved.

Sign In Sheet was checked; no one to speak.

New Business

Community Resource Guide was mailed to every citizen to fill out. Donna would like everyone to respond, it's important.

Vandelia Trail Fun Run was last night. The next Ride on the Trail will be September 2nd, 16th, and 30th starting at 6:30.

The Walmart credit is being discontinued, Barb requested approval to get a regular credit card for the town. This was discussed. She will type an Ordinance for the Council to approve. Rene motioned to approve, Mark second.

Next meeting is September 4th.

Bills signed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Strahl, Clerk/Treasurer

9-4-2025 Date

Donna Watson Donna Watson

Mark Wicks Mark Wicks

Rene Gay Rene Gay