

**Town of Amberg Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, February 14, 2017 – 7:00**

Chairman Mattison called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with Supervisor Holmes, Supervisor Werner, Treasurer Suzawith, Clerk Boshen and six community members present.

During open floor *Glen Swingle requested that the Catholic Church parking lot areas be sanded if possible after ice events. George Kloppenburg reported that Black Sam road has large frost heave present that need signage.*

The minutes of the January 2017 meeting were approved on a motion by Supervisor Werner with a second by Supervisor Holmes. There was no correspondence. The treasurer's report of cash on hand in the General Money Market account is \$110,574.74; in the Tax Money Market account is \$726,881.19; Checking \$289.89, Health Savings Account \$36,540.17 and Equipment Fund \$85,401.36. The general money market account will be reduced by \$61,472.70 and the tax money market account will be reduced by \$574,551.24 as of tonight's meeting to pay the February settlement, PILT and vouchers.

Fred Smeester, chairman of the Amberg Plan Commission reported that the regular monthly meeting was held on Feb 1, 2017 in the Amberg community center at 6:30 pm. The subject of the evening was to develop a written policy for reviewing variance requests. The commission looked at past variances, and the reasoning for them being issued. An outline for a policy was agreed upon. It will be worked on again next month. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

The Fire Department report is on file in the clerk's office. A small donation from recycled cans and first half of town levy was received.

Chairman Mattison stated that the town has gone through a lot of sand salt mix due to the various ice and snow storms. He also said that it was difficult to get blades for the plows due to the amount of icing state wide. Supervisor Holmes suggested looking at single blade usage on the plows, with or without shoes, or checking out carbide blades for next year. No equipment problems were reported.

Supervisor Holmes remarked that the board should begin looking at which roads should be scheduled for repairs in 2017. With the increase in the town budget specifically for road repairs he suggested that the Town should aim for completing approximately two miles of road. After a brief discussion, it was suggested that the board look at the section of Grant Street from Hwy V to the dump (about .5 miles) and Merrick Road from Bear Paw to just pass Dwight VanKirks' place (about 1-1.5 miles). A timeline will be worked on for this year and the board will look at the road segments under consideration before the next meeting date for a decision.

Supervisor Holmes attended the Wausaukee Rescue Squad annual meeting and reported that the squad agreed to amend their by-laws to include a representative from each of the towns serviced by the squad providing that the representatives attend a minimum of half of the meetings held each year which is the same as the requirements for the sitting board members. He will keep working on the issue and contact the other Towns serviced by the Rescue Squad.

Under new business the board set Spring Clean-Up Day for Saturday May 13<sup>th</sup> and audited the treasurer and clerks books for 2016. They were found in balance and placed on file in the clerk's office. All bills were paid and the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Supervisor Holmes with a second by Supervisor Werner at 7:99 p.m.