

**Town of Amberg Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 14, 2017**

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

Under open floor County Supervisor George Kloppenburg spoke about the issue of Marinette County potentially contributing funds to help the City of Marinette pay for a convention center to be located in Marinette and the number of opposing phone calls he has received.

The Clerk read the minutes of the February meeting and the Treasurer reported that after tonight's vouchers are paid there is \$9,949.88 in the general money market account, \$152,425.25 in the tax money market account, \$ 35,054.15 in checking, \$35,288.42 in the health savings account, and \$85,401.31 in the equipment cd. There was no correspondence to report. Both reports were approved on a motion made by Supervisor Holmes with a second by Supervisor Werner.

Chairman Fred Smeester reported that the regular monthly meeting of the Amberg plan commission was held March 1, 2017 at 6:30 pm in the Amberg community center. The topic of discussion for the evening was making written guide lines for recommending variance and waivers. Other Towns have been consulted as well as looking at ordinances from other communities. Some Towns do not issue variances or waivers under any circumstance, while others have UNNECESSARY HARDSHIP guidelines in their ordinances. If applicable, most try to resolve the issue with conditional use permits. Discussion of this issue will resume next month. Meeting adjourned at 7:35. Chairman Mattison appointed Fred Smeester, James Fronsoe, and Mike Churchill, the three members who were up for re-appointment, to the plan commission for another term.

The fire department report has been received and is on file in the clerk's office for review.

Chairman Mattison reported that snow and ice removal and sanding has been done on an as needed basis following the recent snow events. Also, many trees were down due to high winds and the crew has been very busy clearing roads. The hydraulic motor on one truck is leaking fluid and needs to be rebuilt or replaced. Supervisor Holmes reported that the tool chest for the shop has not been purchased as of yet. It was suggested that the Shop foreman check on line auction sites, Northland University Auction and other sources for economically priced used equipment in excellent condition. Supervisor Holmes made a motion to allow up to \$700 for the tool box purchase with a second by Chairman Mattison. Passed unanimously.

The board members continued to discuss working on 2.6 miles of Marek road approximately .6 mile of Grant Street from County V to the dump intersection in 2017. Supervisor Holmes suggested grinding the old pavement up this year, have it graded, place gravel where necessary, and pave as much as the budget allows this year with the remainder to be paved next year. The start date is dependent on weather because the roads need to be fairly dry to grind the pavement. Chairman Mattison stated that there are two companies in northeast Wisconsin that contract for grinding pavement. Supervisor Holmes made a motion to have the pavement on the selected road segments ground as soon it is feasible with Supervisor Werner making the second.

Supervisor Holmes attended the Wausaukee Rescue Squad meeting on Sunday evening and reported that the squad will have their bylaws amended to include town representatives shortly. He presented a resolution to the other board members which would allow the appointing of a representative and an alternate to represent the Town of Amberg. After a brief discussion Supervisor Holmes moved to adopt the resolution as written with Mattison providing the second. It was

unanimously approved. Supervisor Holmes then volunteered to represent the Town of Amberg. An alternate will be appointed by Chairman Mattison.

After a brief discussion about the costs of landfilling tires at MarOco vs paying GAD on a per tire basis the board unanimously approved to take the old tires collected from Town Clean Up days to MarOco as soon as the weather improves enough to remove the water from them and haul them. Costs are MarOco Landfill costs (\$200/ton of tires, \$2.00/tire for 16" or smaller diam., \$5.00/tire for 16" or larger diam.) vs GAD (Car & pickup tires \$1.85 ea. tractor tires \$35.5 ea., Semi tires \$5.15 ea.

A thank you letter was received from Dawn Haynes, the Summer Swim Program coordinator, for Wausaukee Grade School Students. Chairman Mattison made a motion to contribute \$250.00 to this program with a second by Supervisor Werner. Supervisor Holmes made it unanimous.

All vouchers were paid and the meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm on a motion made by Supervisor Werner with a second by Supervisor Holmes.