

Town of Amberg Board Minutes
Tuesday, July 12, 2016

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

During open floor Rose Wallace asked if the annual donation check for the Wausaukee Branch library had been sent out or overlooked.

The clerk's and treasurer's reports were accepted as read on a motion by Supervisor Holmes with a second by Supervisor Werner. The clerk read the minutes and minor corrections were made. She also presented a snap shot of where the town's finances stood after the first six months. The Treasurer reported \$39,554.76 in the money market account, \$18,783.00 in checking, \$75,319.09 in the tax money market account, \$26,526.92 in the health savings account, and \$55,263.13 in the equipment cd. He also reported that the 3rd quarter highway aides were received.

The agenda was revised to approve beverage server licenses for Pat Tank, and Daniel Vandermuse before continuing with business on a motion made by Supervisor Holmes with a second by Supervisor Werner.

Chair, Fred Smeester called the regular monthly meeting of the Amberg plan commission to order at 6:30 on July 5, 2016 in the Amberg community center. The only order of business was a review of a csm on NBC Lane. The cm was recommended to be approved and brought to the town board for further action. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm. Supervisor Holmes made a motion to approve the csm with a second by Supervisor Werner.

Margaret Mattison of the Historical Society reported that the roof has been damaged on the east side of the carriage house allowing water to puddle on the floor. Also damaged is the front porch roof. She also said that the Historical Society is interested in town pump on the corner of County V and Dutton Ave which has been there since at least 1911 according to pictures in the museum. Mattison also asked if the Town is willing to take action on the closet full of old records that are stored at the old Town Hall—their condition is deteriorating and action needs to be taken to preserve them.

The fire department report is on file in the clerk's office for review. Several donations were received and money was spent on repairs, maintenance, postage and delivery.

Chairman Mattison reported that the County will start pulverizing Barker Road tomorrow. The culverts on that section of Barker Road need to be cleaned out in order to check their condition. The amount of gravel needed for the project will be determined after the segment of road is pulverized. Supervisor Holmes suggested that if the town could haul some of the gravel it might save some money. Discussion also encompassed: Bell Crossing was patched where it washed out but a better solution needs to be found; and, a well located by the former Dewy Roush property on Dow Dam road is in the road right of way and needs to be looking into. Mattison reported that the crew has been brushing/mowing town roads for last two weeks and patching roads as needed. The grader still has a problem from the fifth gear on. The fluid was changed just before the solenoid was replaced and needs to be monitored. Supervisor Holmes suggested purchasing crack sealing equipment in the future for repairing roads.

Garage & fire department door frame repairs have not been completed as of yet but the grader building door frame was repaired by Tom Boffer and his neighbor.

The clerk purchased three rechargeable flash lights for use in case of a power outage at the

community center. Supervisor Holmes suggested that since the County has designated the building as an emergency shelter the office of emergency management might be able to help writing a grant or finding funding for a single phase generator and other Emergency equipment needed to make it function in this capacity.

Fire Department satellite station update: Fire Chief is looking at property in vicinity of Merrick Rd and Cty K that is for sale and might be suitable for the satellite station.

The clerk presented a "Just Fix It Resolution" from the Towns Association requesting better funding for local roads for the board to consider. After a short discussion Supervisor Holmes made a motion to adopt the resolution with a second made by Supervisor Werner with copies to be sent to Governor Walker, State Senator Tiffany, State Representative Ribble, and the Towns Association.

Citizen requests were received for a Slow road sign placed on Merrick and a Blind Pedestrian sign on Barrows Road. Requests were also made for brushing the intersections on Marquis & Deer Trail and Town Corner Lake and Dow Dam road to create safer intersections when merging.

A request was received from the Amberg Community Association for the Town road crew to haul two loads of mulch to replenish community center garden and place it behind the center for fall usage.

The clerk and treasurer requested permission to look into changing the check format from the current procedure of issuing hand written checks to computer generated ones run through Quickbooks beginning in 2017 when the current stock of checks is depleted.

Supervisor Holmes with a second by Supervisor Werner made a motion to adjourn to closed session to discuss employee wages and benefits. After discussion Supervisor Holmes made a motion to increase wages by 25 cents/hour beginning August 1 and adding an additional .5 day on Christmas Eve and New Year's eve to begin in 2017. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Werner and was unanimous. Supervisor Holmes made a motion to end closed session and return to the main meeting. Supervisor Werner made the second and the board returned to the regular meeting.

All bills were approved and paid and Supervisor Werner made the motion to adjourn the regular board meeting at 8:30 pm with a second by Supervisor Holmes.

