

# Town of Amberg Minutes

Tuesday, 10 Sept 2013

Matt Mattison called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. Matt Mattison, Ron Holmes, Russ Werner, Pat Boshen & 8 community members were in attendance.

Under open Floor Supervisor Holmes stated that the flags would be lowered to half-mast for Patriots Day on 9/11/13. Mitzi Mattison asked that a closing time should be set for the ball diamond/pavilion. George Kloppenburg asked that approval for a picnic license for the snowmobile club be added to the next agenda.

The minutes from the August 13 board meeting were accepted as read. Cash on Hand in the General money market account was \$86,748.08, Tax money market account \$65,838.14, Checking \$8425.66, Equipment CD \$96,893.38 and Community Center Loan balance of \$76,691.16 according to an e-mail received from the Treasurer after the meeting.

## On-going/Continuing Business

The regular monthly meeting of the Amberg Plan Commission was held Sept 4, 2013 at 6:30 pm at the Amberg Community Center. Topic of discussion was the mega farm ordinance. Wisconsin statutes, Wisconsin Administrative code, and the DNR code were all looked at to come up with the best route for the Town to go. First draft will be ready for review next meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:30.

Fire Department Report was received and is on file in the clerk's office. They purchased radio equipment, miscellaneous supplies and postage during August.

Margaret Mattison reported that the Amberg Museum had 117 visitors between noon on Fri. and closing on Sat. of Labor day weekend. Their appreciation lunch will be October 14 at the community center. She also asked if the well will be included in the budget for next year.

## Road Department

According to Chairman Mattison the crew is hauling gravel on roads; Barker road is ready for black top; and, he will ask Northeast Asphalt Inc. if the approached to the Pike river bridge on Dow Dam road can be done at the same time. There is a tree in the Wallace Road right of way that needs to be removed. Under equipment concerns the new town truck has issues with the steering, an air leakage, and the tires throwing rocks. The sales men were on site today to look at the truck issues. The smart switch on the pickup is not working and needs to be taken back to Elias Auto for repairs.

Supervisor Holmes, seconded by Supervisor Russ made a motion to reimburse Tom Boffer \$100.00 for a tow strap and \$750 for a blower that he picked up for the town. Motion passed unanimously.

## New Business

It was determined that a written policy should be created to cover Safety Procedures for town employees responding to emergencies such as not working alone, using flashing lights, and blocking off the work areas. The clerk will create a draft document and bring it back to a future meeting for board approval.

The town road crew members use their personal cell phones for work related communications. After a short discussion Supervisor Holmes made a motion to pay \$20/month reimbursement toward their cell phone bills with a second by Supervisor Werner. Motion passed unanimously.

The basement storage area is becoming crowded and disorganized. It was decided to talk to a representative of each organization about what they have stored in the basement and the need for organization. Possible solutions could include shelving and/or other methods of storage or removal of unnecessary items.

It was decided after a brief discussion that in order to prohibit access and/or dumping behind the ball diamond during the summer months a fence or gate will be installed and kept closed until snowmobile season opens. George Kloppenburg stated that the snowmobile club might have fences available to block off area.

Bills were paid and Supervisor Holmes, seconded by Supervisor Werner made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 pm. Motion passed unanimously.