

Minutes Town of Amberg Board Meeting

Tuesday, 18 March 2014

Chairman Mattison called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present were: Matt Mattison, Ron Holmes, Russ Werner, Pat Boshen and ten community members.

Under open floor Chairman Mattison stated that the repairs have been completed satisfactorily on Eric Wisette's vehicle that resulted from a fender bender with the small town truck. A citizen reported sliding on ice into the stone cemetery gate post and destroying it. The community center kitchen floor drain is either frozen or plugged according to Ruth Roush building superintendent.

The clerk read the minutes from the February 18 meeting and a thank you letter from the Wausaukee Summer Swim program. In the absence of the treasurer she also reported that there is \$61,195.89 in the general money market account, \$120,006.92 in the tax money market account, \$4,712.21 in checking, \$116,034.10 in the equipment CD, and a Loan balance of \$58,416.88. Supervisor Holmes with a second by Supervisor Werner made a motion to accept both reports with minor revisions. Unanimous

Chairman Fred Smeester reported that the regular monthly meeting of the Amberg Plan Commission was held March 5, 2014 at 6:30 pm at the Amberg Community Center. All members were present. Before any discussion took place, the chairmen informed the members that an update of the comprehensive plan is required by State law at least every 10 years, and that date is coming soon. Also the sketch map of the subdivision on Barker road needed clarification from the surveyor before the commission could act on it. The proposed changes to title 15 were then reviewed. It seems that only 5 pages need to be changed and one removed to update the UDC portion and make the setback changes. Many legal references need to be investigated in the update portion of the ordinance before a recommendation can be made. A summary of the ASA meeting held Feb 24 at the Athelstane Town Hall was presented by Smeester. The discussion centered on the driveway and private road ordinances. The meeting adjourned at 7:35.

The fire department report was read by the Clerk with a copy placed on file in the office. Listed were donations of \$50.00 and expenses of \$686.30 for truck repairs and maintenance, \$87.30 for supplies and materials, and \$100.00 for meeting expenses. Amberg Fire Department personnel helped the town crew use a trash pump to drain several culverts that were flooding local roads.

According to Chairman Mattison three or more culverts still need to be thawed and pothole patching will begin as time and weather allows. Road bans will go on within the next several weeks dependent on the weather. Discussion occurred around the following: The new truck needs to go in for repairs when time allows, the pressure washer motor was replaced and is still not operational, and Matt talked to the Weyers salesman today, about renting a mower with brush cutter attachment, who suggested waiting several more weeks due to amount of snow and weather conditions. They have three used mowers with about 500 hrs. on each one, listed for \$127,000-\$128,000, and are willing to work to make the town happy. Chairman Mattison stated that we positively will try out a rental mower.

Eric Wisette presented a draft copy of an Emergency Response Safety Protocol Plan as well as the rationale for having one on file. Supervisor Holmes suggested having a single page Response Plan for non-fire calls that covers only the basics would be adequate. The board

members received copies to review and bring back to the next meeting for continued discussion.

The basement storage arrangements are still under discussion with the fire department suggesting that they be allowed to build several shelves to house their Sweetheart Dance supplies.

Supervisor Holmes stated that once the Rifle Range is accessible he will add signage adjusting the hours of operation. He also went on to state that some money has been donated to help make improvements to the range when weather allows.

Chairman Mattison stated that he received only one estimate on replacing the Amberg Fire & Rescue Building furnace. After brief discussion the board unanimously agreed to seek additional estimates before proceeding.

New Business

- The board granted approval for the Wausaukee Rec Department to use the Dunk Tank for the 4th of July celebration as presented by Russ Koster
- A beverage server license was approved for Rhonda Casper providing all requirements are met.
- Clerk was instructed to ask for renewal insurance quotes in line with what the town has and also with the deductible raised and bring it back to the board.
- Supervisor Holmes with a second by Supervisor Werner made a motion to donate \$250.00 to the Wausaukee School District Summer Swim Program. It was unanimous.

All bills were paid and the meeting was adjourned at 8:19 on a motion made by supervisor Werner, with second by Supervisor Holmes.

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Remember to Vote April 1
April Town Board Meeting: 6:00 pm April 15 2014
Annual Town Board Meeting: 7:00 pm April 15, 2014