

## **Town of Amberg Board Meeting Minutes November 12, 2019**

Chairman Mattison called the regular Board meeting to order immediately following the adjournment of the Special Town Meeting of the Electors to approve the budget with the entire board plus six community members present. No one asked to speak during the time provided for open floor.

Clerk Boshen read the minutes of the October meeting into the record and Treasurer Suzawith reported that there were balances of \$131,282.49 in the general money market account, \$78,307.48 in the tax money market account, \$351.83 in checking, \$28,349.46 in the health savings account, \$97,642.47 in the equipment cd and tonight's vouchers totaled \$9,095.48. Supervisor Holmes made the motion to accept both reports as read with the second provided by Supervisor Werner. Motion passed unanimously.

### **On-Going/Continuing Business**

Chairman Fred Smeester reported that the regular monthly meeting of the Amberg Plan Commission took place Nov. 6 2019 in the Amberg Community Center at 6:40 pm. The commission recommended that the town adopt a form to be filled out by variance applicants. The final version will be decided on later. A brief discussion was held on camper regulations. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

The Fire Department Report has been placed on file in clerk's office for review. Supervisor Holmes reported that the Wausaukee Rescue Squad took possession of their new rescue squad vehicle. It might be possible for the towns to submit the increase in rescue squad fees to the county for potential grant money.

Chairman Mattison reported that the crew has been busy with gravel road grading, filling pot holes, and miscellaneous road work. The Beaver problem damming up Wagner and Wontor roads has been subdued for now. Mattison talked to the Marinette County Road Commissioner about Amberg Wausaukee Road repairs due to pavement damage by Roehl and the faulty culvert issue. No estimate for repairs has been determined as of yet and submitted to Roehl. Mattison and the Commissioner agreed that the work would be done by the County in spring. Supervisor Holmes reported that the Multimodal Local Supplement Application is completed and ready to mail in before the December 6<sup>th</sup> deadline. If granted Dow Dam Road from Old Hwy 38 to Benson Lake Road would be restructured with four inches hot mix asphalt, eleven foot wide lanes, and 2 foot wide shoulders. He provided a copy of the application to Road Commissioner Burmeister and is waiting back for comments before he submits it to the state. The LTRIP application for Marquis Road for an approximate reimbursement cost of \$26,000 has also been completed and mailed to the appropriate office. The new Casper Snow Plow will not be ready until sometime in December. Verlyn Giguere responded that he has placed limiter chains on the old plow to make it usable until the new one arrives. The small pickup is constantly in need of repairs and the transfer case is now failing.

The old community center tables are still in the gym. Verlyn Giguere stated that he still wants several and for the clerk to take the cost of the tables out of his check. He will pick them up as soon as Mattison resorts them.

Supervisor Holmes stated that he would like to revise the Town's ATV/UTV ordinance to make it more in line with the County's. Some potential changes would be to limit use to daylight hours only and to close the routes during the winter season. The changes would affect Ch. 2 of the town ordinances, sub paragraph C by including these limitations. He suggested that the board members look at potential changes and bring this item back to the December meeting in order to follow protocol and have them go into effect in 2020.

## **New Business**

There have been complaints about the excessive number of trailers on a property on Black Sam Road in addition to one or more placed within the road right of way. Chairman Mattison talked to the property owner resulting in movement of a trailer.

It was suggested by Verlyn Giguere that the Town purchase steel spikes and a low cost metal detector to upgrade the cemetery location markers. It would reduce the amount of time needed to locate corners, walkways and graves ultimately saving time and money. After a brief discussion Supervisor Holmes made a motion to spend up to \$300 with second by Supervisor Werner to proceed with this project and have the supplies and equipment on hand for spring 2020 implementation. It passed unanimously.

The Village of Wausaukee is selling its 2012 Ford F-550 diesel Dump Truck (very low mileage, diesel engine and good condition) with plow and sander included. Supervisor Holmes made a motion to move into closed session to discuss the issue further with a second by Supervisor Werner. The board adjourned into closed session to discuss the merits of purchasing the truck and decide on a potential bid. They rejoined the regular meeting stating that a bid would be submitted on the truck.

A motion was made by Supervisor Holmes and seconded by Supervisor Werner to accept the levy/budget as approved by the electors. The motion passed unanimously.

All vouchers were paid and the board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting on a motion made by Supervisor Werner with a second by Supervisor Holmes at 7:36 pm.